

El Paso Independent School District
Minutes of Board Policy Committee Meeting
November 20, 2001
5:00 p.m.
Education Center-Boeing

Present: Mr. Dan Wever, Board President, Board Policy Committee Chairperson
Miss Leonor Garcia, Board Secretary
Dr. Charles Roark, Board Member
Mr. Joe Rosales, Board Member
Mr. Anthony Safi, School District Attorney

Absent: Mr. Sal Mena, Jr., Board Member

Administration: Dr. Gilberto Anzaldúa, Superintendent
Mr. William Goodman, Associate Superintendent, Finance
Dr. Linda Holman, Associate Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction
Mr. Hector Martinez, Associate Superintendent, Operations
Mr. Charles Tafoya, Associate Superintendent, Human Resources
Ms. Marsha Lawler, Executive Director, External Funding
Mr. Luis Villalobos, Executive Director, Communications and Business Partnerships
Mr. Richard Romero, Director, Budget
Ms. Bonnie McKinley, Staff Development

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m. by Mr. Wever.

The topics discussed were as follows:

1. Revision to BBD (Local), Board Members: Training and Orientation (Item #1, A.)
 - a. Reviewed proposed revisions
2. New Policy BP (Local), Administrative Regulations (Item #1, B.)
 - a. Concerns regarding notification process to employees of changes to administrative regulations, in subsection "Revision."
 - b. Problems associated with adding language about obtaining Cabinet approval.
 - c. Adding language on employee notification process/emergency situations.
 - d. Role of Superintendent in approving/revising administrative regulations.
 - e. Concerns with language regarding Board reviewing administrative regulations but not adopting them. There will be follow up with TASB (Texas Association of School Boards) on omitting language regarding the Board not adopting administrative regulations.
3. Revision to DK (Local), Assignments and Schedules (Item #1, C.)
 - a. Proposed language in subsection "Assignment" regarding the Superintendent requesting a waiver of policy and how a waiver would affect the Board's intention when it created the policy.
 - b. Including language on lateral transfers, to include language under subsection "Assignment" regarding restrictions on reassignments or assignments.

4. Revision to EIC (Local), Academic Achievement: Class Ranking (Item #1, D.)
 - a. Students transferring in from other school districts who did not receive additional grade points; EPISD not allowing additional points for students from other school districts unless appealed and granted by Curriculum and Instruction.
 - b. Granting additional points for students transferring in from other schools after reviewing the courses and determining whether courses warrant additional points.
 - c. Contacting the Commissioner of Education about students entering a district "bumping out" students currently in the top 10 percent of that school and qualifying for higher education; requiring "X" number of years at the school.
 - d. Eliminating language in policy about not allowing weighted grades for a period of time (to be determined) until the Commissioner can be contacted and possibly implementing an administrative regulation in the meantime; suspending implementation of the policy.
 - e. Eliminating language related to class ranking from the Student Handbook.
 - f. Eliminating language about not allowing points if previous school district did not allow points.
 - g. Bringing policy back to the Board Policy Committee.
5. Revision to FDB (Local), Admissions and Attendance: Intradistrict Transfers (Item #1, E.)
 - a. Term "immediate supervisor(s) for schools" and whom it refers to and changing it to "immediate supervisor(s) for school principals."
 - b. Clarification of timeline for Board action after appeal petition is submitted to the Superintendent.
 - c. Requiring notification of parent to be done by certified mail.
 - d. Not eliminating language regarding eligibility for transfers for special campuses, except for Austin, Jefferson, and Burges High Schools.
6. Revision to FFAA (Local), Health Requirements and Services: Physical Examinations (Item #1, F.)
 - a. Consistency regarding tuberculosis screening versus freedom from tuberculosis.
 - b. Submitting for Attorney General opinion regarding tuition for out-of-state students.
 - c. Identify "health care providers authorized under UIL rules."
 - d. Principals requiring student medical exam without recommendation of school nurse or health professional.
 - e. Rationale for the school district paying for physical exams if authorized by Superintendent .
 - f. Bringing policy back to the Board Policy Committee
7. Revisions to FL (Local) and (Exhibit), Student Records (Item #1, G.)
 - a. Not including student's electronic mail address as directory information.
 - b. Including photo, weight, and height of students when necessary/appropriate rather than just for students participating in recognized activities/sports.
8. Revision to FN (Local), Student Rights and Responsibilities (Item #1, H.)
 - a. Discussed wording in FN (Legal) regarding a student's age and maturity.

9. Possible Discussion of Other Policies or Policy-Related Issues (Item #1, J.)

a. CV (Local)

- i. Administration's concerns about final payments on contracts after recommended revisions by Board Policy Committee at previous committee meeting.
- ii. Consensus that it should be on \$100,000.00 contracts.
- iii. Policy to be brought back to Board Policy Committee .

Meeting Adjourned

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Date Approved: February 12, 2002