## Midland ISD Policy Committee Report Meeting of June 14, 2023

On June 14, 2023, the Midland ISD Policy Committee met and discussed the following proposed policy revisions:

•	CCGB(LOCAL)	Ad Valorem Taxes: Economic Development
•	CFB(LOCAL)	Accounting: Inventories
•	CKE(LOCAL)	Safety Program/Risk Management: Security Personnel
•	CKEA(LOCAL)	Security Personnel: Commissioned Peace Officers
•	CLB(LOCAL)	Buildings, Grounds, and Equipment Management: Maintenance
•	CRF(LOCAL)	Insurance and Annuities Management: Unemployment Insurance
•	CVA(LOCAL)	Facilities Construction: Competitive Bidding
•	CVB(LOCAL)	Facilities Construction: Competitive Sealed Proposals
•	DEA(LOCAL)	Compensation and Benefits: Compensation Plan
•	EIC (LOCAL)	Academic Achievement: Class Ranking
•	FD(LOCAL)	Admissions
•	FFI(LOCAL)	Student Welfare: Freedom from Bullying

After review and discussion, all of the above referenced policies were approved to be heard by the Board for potential adoption.

The Policy Committee also heard a presentation from Deputy Superintendent Roberto Cedillo regarding the potential alteration of attendance boundaries in the southern portion of the District. According to Mr. Cedillo, the adjustments to the attendance boundaries will balance the student population for Scharbauer Elementary, Henderson Elementary, and Lamar Elementary. The adjustment will also serve to alleviate pressure in a high growth area and reduce travel time on a bus for students which leads to the following benefits:

- Allows students to have more time for other activities such as studying, extracurricular activities, and spending time with family.
- Reduces the risk of fatigue and discomfort associated with long bus rides, enabling students to arrive at school more refreshed and ready to learn.
- Improves punctuality and attendance rates which can reduce disruptions and missed instructional time.
- Cost-effective for schools and families. Shorter routes require less fuel, maintenance, and transportation resources, potentially leading to savings that can be invested in other educational endeavors.

Finally, the Policy Committee received a short update from General Counsel Chad Crowson regarding a proposed policy that is currently being drafted with assistance from the Guidance and Counseling Department. This policy would allow for MISD campuses to bring a therapy dog on campus to interact with students, subject to safety provisions. This policy will be brought to the Policy Committee for consideration at the next scheduled meeting.

## **Board Members and Staff Present:**

Trustee Sara Burleson, Superintendent Dr. Stephanie Howard, Deputy Superintendent Roberto Cedillo, and General Counsel Chad Crowson

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