

**ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD AGENDA BACKUP**

Regular Meeting of May 28, 2024

**ITEM: PROCESS FOR APPROVAL AND GLOBAL ADOPTION OF
ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD POLICIES,
GUIDED BY CALIFORNIA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION**

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TYPE OF ITEM: REVIEW AND DISCUSSION

PURPOSE: The purpose of this item is for the Board of Trustees to review and discuss the process for the approval and global adoption of the AUSD Board policies, guided by California School Boards Association (CSBA).

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The vast majority of AUSD's Board policies are out of date by over ten years, many over twenty years. This causes a lot of challenges as many of them are out of compliance with Ed Code. In order to effectively update all of them, it takes an intensive process. So, on December 13, 2022, the Board approved a contract with CSBA for them to hold a three day workshop with the Executive Cabinet to update all of our Board policies to align them with California Ed Code. The AUSD Executive Cabinet worked in partnership October 3-5, 2023 with the California School Boards Association (CSBA) during this past year to develop and propose the attached revised policies which are the most current and compliant according to legal code and best practices in the state of California for public school systems. The Executive Cabinet continued to work to update the ones that did not get completed during the workshop.

DETAILS:

At this Board meeting, an overview of the Board Policies and process will be provided. We will be reviewing what each of the categories (0000-9000) focus on, the process we have gone through to get to this point and the process that we will be going through to move towards the approval of our policies. There will be a special Board workshop on June 10, 2024 for the Board to focus on the 9000s (Board Bylaws) as they apply to Board governance. We will also discuss pulling certain policies that need more attention prior to approval from the batch we are bringing for approval to the June 11, 2024 Board meeting. .

At the June 11, 2024 Board meeting, we will bring the majority of the revised, CSBA vetted policies on the Consent calendar for approval and a global adoption. It is our hope that this process, given the time limitations, will provide a balance between trusting the process that our Executive Cabinet engaged in with CSBA, and the need for the Board to become familiar with the policies, in particular those that are related to Board governance. It is our desire to protect our district by getting our policies updated and in compliance with Education Code.

The draft of the updated Board Policies can be found in the following [drive folder](#).

STRATEGIC GOALS ADDRESSED:



Objective #1: *Assess and Increase Academic Success. Goal: We will provide a comprehensive educational experience with expanded opportunities for engagement, assessment, and academic growth so that all students will achieve their fullest potential.*



Objective #2: *Support the Whole Child. Goal: We will foster the social and emotional growth of all students, implement an array of strategies to increase student engagement, identify individual socio-emotional and behavioral needs, and apply collaborative appropriate interventions.*



Objective #3: *Communicate and Lead Together. Goal: All stakeholders will collaborate and communicate about decisions that guide the sites and district.*

<p>RECOMMENDATION: Review and discuss the process for adopting updated Board policies. All policies will be recommended for approval at the June 11, 2024 Board meeting.</p>
