

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

FLOUR BLUFF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Upon motion by Dr. Wally Graham, duly seconded by Steve Ellis, it is resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Flour Bluff Independent School District as follows:

WHEREAS the 80<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature recently passed House Bill No. 3678, the Religious Viewpoints Antidiscrimination Act (RVAA), which requires the District, among other things, to consider and adopt policies relating to the expression of religious viewpoints by students; and

WHEREAS the Board acknowledges that student free speech rights have evolved over a period of time. To this end, the Board further recognizes that the District currently has in place policies which prohibit discrimination against constitutionally protected student speech, including speech communicating religious viewpoints; and

WHEREAS the Board understands and recognizes that there is a lack of a statewide consensus regarding the adoption and implementation of constitutionally appropriate policies regarding the RVAA; and


WHEREAS the Board finds that it has insufficient time to give proper and careful consideration to the development of additional board policies on this significant subject before the commencement of the 2007-2008 school year; and

WHEREAS the Board affirms as a general policy its intention to comply with RVAA consistent with state and federal constitutional requirements;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Board intends to comply with RVAA consistent with state and federal constitutional requirements;
2. That a Board Policy Development Committee be appointed and charged to consult with the administration and the District's legal counsel to study, develop and recommend to the Board specific policies, or amendments to existing policies, for the proper implementation of RVAA. These actions should be completed as soon as reasonably feasible.

MOVED, PASSED and ENTERED this the 30th day of August, 2007. '

  
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President, Board of Trustees  
Flour Bluff Independent School District

ATTEST:

  
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Secretary, Board of Trustees  
Flour Bluff Independent School District