

## Oregon State Board of Education

*April 14, 2015*

<p><b>SUBJECT:</b> Oregon School for the Deaf Policy Manual  <b>STAFF NAME &amp; OFFICE:</b> Sarah Drinkwater &amp; Sharla Jones, Office of Student Services &amp; OSD.</p> <p><b>SUMMARY:</b> Oregon School for the Deaf needs updated policy to be in compliance with current federal and state laws in Education.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>New Rule</b>    <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Amend Existing Rule</b>    <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Repeal Rule</b></p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Consent Agenda</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>First Reading</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Action (Adoption)</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Information</b></p>
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### BACKGROUND

OSBA, ODE, and OSD worked together to create a policy manual to protect the students and staff at OSD. Formerly there had been outdated program guidelines that were no longer reflective of the standards and expectations governing a school in public education.

New leadership at both ODE and OSD and the mutual desire to update practices promoted the change. On the recommendation from the OSD Advisory Board and ODE, OSBA was hired to assist in making the necessary changes and additions to reflect current best practices.

A new policy manual has been created awaiting the adoption and approval by the State Board.

### SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION

The topic was introduced by school administrators from OSD in a presentation. Digital copies of the policy manual were provided to the State Board for appraisal.

### POLICY ISSUE OR CONCERNS (IF APPLICABLE)

This issue does not raise any policy questions for the board to consider.

### CHANGED SINCE LAST BOARD MEETING? (IF APPLICABLE)

- N/A; first read—hasn't been before board
- No; same as last month
- Yes – As follows:

### EFFECT OF A "YES" OR "NO" VOTE (AS APPROPRIATE)

**Yes Vote:** By adopting this Policy Manual, you will allow OSD to align itself with other schools in Oregon and to protect the students and staff at OSD with current policy.

**No Vote:** OSD will remain out of compliance with federal and state laws in Education, using outdated program guidelines to govern the school.

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## **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

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Approve     Approve next month     No recommendation at this time

ODE, OSD, and OSBA recommends adoption of OSD's Policy Manual, to begin effective for the school year 2016-2017.

## **ATTACHMENTS (e.g., OAR with "track changes" ...)**

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Attachment 1: OSD Policy Manual