FISCAL MANAGEMENT GOALS/ PRIORITY OBJECTIVES

Code **DA** Issued **12/02**

Purpose: To establish the board's vision for the sound fiscal management of the center.

The quantity and quality of learning programs are directly dependent on the funding provided and the effective, efficient management of those funds. Therefore, achievement of the center's purposes can best be made through excellent fiscal management.

As trustee of local, state and federal funds allocated for use in public education, the board will be vigilant in fulfilling its responsibility to see that these funds are used wisely.

Because of resource limitations, there is sometimes a temptation to operate so that fiscal concerns overshadow the educational program. Recognizing this, it is essential that the district take specific action to make sure education remains central. Fiscal matters are ancillary and contribute to the educational program. The center will incorporate this concept into board operations and all aspects of center management and operation.

To achieve this vision for the management of fiscal resources, the board will do the following.

- Engage in thorough advance planning in order to develop budgets and to guide expenditures in ways that achieve the greatest educational returns as well as the greatest contributions to the educational program.
- Establish levels of funding which will provide high quality education for the students of the Center.
- Use the best available techniques and processes for budget development and management.
- Provide timely and appropriate information to the board and all staff with fiscal management responsibilities.
- Establish and implement efficient procedures for accounting, reporting, investing, purchasing and delivery, payroll, payment of vendors and contractors and all other areas of fiscal management.

Adopted 12/17/02