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3 **NONINSTRUCTIONAL OPERATIONS**

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5 Food Services

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7 The District supports the philosophy of the National School Lunch Program and will provide
8 wholesome, appetizing, and nutritious meals for children in District schools. The Board may
9 authorize a portion of federal funds received in lieu of taxes to be used to provide free meals for
10 federally connected indigent pupils.

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12 Because of the potential liability of the District, the food services program will not accept
13 donations of food without approval of the Board. Should the Board approve a food donation, the
14 Superintendent will establish inspection and handling procedures for the food and determine that
15 provisions of all state and local laws have been met before selling the food as part of school
16 meals.

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18 Commodities

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20 The District will use food commodities made available under the Federal Food Commodity
21 Program for school meals.

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23 Free and Reduced-Price Food Services

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25 The District will provide free and reduced-price meals to students, according to the terms of the
26 National School Lunch Program and the laws, rules, and regulations of the state. The District
27 will inform parents of the eligibility standards for free or reduced-price meals. Identity of
28 students receiving free or reduced-price meals will be confidential, in accordance with National
29 School Lunch Program guidelines. A parent has the right to appeal to a designated hearing
30 official any decision with respect to his or her application for free or reduced-price food services.

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32 The Board may establish programs whereby meals may be provided in the District in accordance
33 with National School Lunch Program guidelines.

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35 The amount charged for such meals shall be sufficient to cover all costs of the meals, including
36 preparation labor and food, handling, utility, and equipment depreciation costs.

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39 Legal Reference: § 20-10-204, MCA Duties of trustees
40 § 20-10-205, MCA Allocation of federal funds to school food services
41 fund for federally connected, indigent pupils
42 § 20-10-207, MCA School food services fund

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44 Policy History:

45 Adopted on:

46 Revised on: