



## SCHOOL BOARD MEETING REPORT

Board Meeting Date: Nov. 17, 2021 Superintendent: Dave Valenzuela

Administrator/Staff: Hults/ Heather Wolter, Rachell Woodall

Type of Item: ☐ Informational ☒ Action

**Please state your proposal briefly and clearly. What do you want the board to know, discuss, or decide?**

Rachell Woodall and Heather Wolter are seeking board approval to attend an out of state professional development conference. The "Get Your Teach On" conference offers grade specific workshops to support educators as they develop engaging lessons and engage in hand on learning from some of today's top educators who share research based strategies that can be easily implemented. The conference is January 15-17, 2022 in Las Vegas Nevada at the Westgate Hotel. The conference Cost is \$830 additional cost of flight, hotel and food. Estimate cost is \$2000 to be paid with our Title 1 Professional development funds.

**Provide history/background information on your proposal:**

Mrs. Woodall and Mrs. Wolter have been implementing lessons and strategies from the conference presenters for years. They have found the lessons, frameworks and strategies to be an effective means to reach and engage all learners. Moreover, the conference presenters, inspire, motivate, and challenge these TRSD teachers daily through the classroom resources that they share. Having the opportunity to be formally trained and empowered by these remarkable teacher trainers would allow these teachers to be a resource and an asset to their school. These two teachers would be able to share the tips, tricks and best practices for building a successful, engaging and rigorous classroom with their colleagues.

**List the advantages of your proposal:**

\*Increased student engagement while maintaining rigor and TRSD curriculum expectations- including social, emotional, science, social studies and writing.\*Renewed passion for teaching during these difficult, taxing unprecedented times.\*Opportunity to learn new instructional practices aligned with common core standards, These best practice will increase student desire to learn and challenge them to think beyond the standards.\*Fortuity to develop the skills needed to turn ordinary content into extraordinary content- rich experiences for even our youngest learners.\* no sub time/cost held on holiday weekend.

**List possible disadvantages of your proposal:**

\*Cost \*travel distance \* some learned content and skills will be specific to the grade levels taught by Mrs. Wolter and Mrs. Woodall

**List possible alternatives that could also offer a solution to your proposal. Why were they not recommended?**

\* Virtual conferences are also available but the virtual options do not cover the same content. Currently these sessions are only open to individual school who purchase the virtual sessions. \* the free webinar sessions offered online are very limited in scope

Superintendent's recommendation(s):

Approve: Yes ☒ No ☐