SCHOOL BOARD MEETING REPORT

Board Meeting Date: Jan. 12, 2011 **Agenda #** _____

Staff/Administrator: _____ **Superintendent:** Dan Huber-Kantola

Type of Item: [ ] *Informational* [X] *Action*

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

To permit Betty Sumega, occupational therapist for the district, to attend a conference entitled "Tutoring People with Dyslexia." Conference will be held in San Francisco (July 11-15, 2011). Conference will be funded through Professional Development Fund.

Provide history/background information on your proposal.

The occupational therapist currently works with approximately 95 students located at all schools within the Three Rivers School District, with the majority of these students suffering from issues with letter and number reversals. This workshop will provide information on new techniques in working with these students to remediate these issues.

List the advantages of your proposal:

Improving student skills will bring up overall student performance in reading, writing, and math. In addition, student self-confidence will be enhanced. As the workshop will be in the summer, student contact time will not be reduced.

List possible disadvantages of your proposal:

Workshop location is out of state.

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

No other alternatives are available at this time.

Superintendent's recommendation(s): **Approve:** Yes [X] No [ ]