

GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA ITEM AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10

Patrick Nelson, Superintendent

DATE OF MEETING: May 2, 2017 **Recognition of Dorothy Dyer Vanek** TITLE: **BACKGROUND:** Dorothy Dyer Vanek is a recognized philanthropist who contributes widely within our community. She is also recognized as a strong supporter of the arts. She is a major contributor to the Tucson Symphony Orchestra (sponsoring their Classic Series), a season sponsor for the Southern Arizona Symphony Orchestra (SASO), a major donor to True Concord Voices and Orchestra (a group which won a Grammy in 2016 for Rememberances, a piece she commissioned in honor of the September 11 attack), a backer of the Tucson Desert Song Festival, and a funder of the Catalinas Community Chorus. She is also recognized for her contributions and support of the American Red Cross, the Community Foundation of Southern Arizona, and the Interfaith Community Services. In addition to all these sponsorships, she is being recognized tonight for her significant contribution which has allowed us to equip the music room at the Innovation Academy in Amphitheater Public Schools. Because of her generosity, we have been able to purchase band and string instruments, a piano, a stereo system for the room, and a SmartBoard. **RECOMMENDATION:** This item is presented for the Board's recognition. **INITIATED BY:** Train Lelson Monica Nelson, Associate Superintendent Date: April 26, 2017