

Browning Public Schools
Board Agenda Request
Meeting To Be Held: 11/30/22



Recognition: Students Staff Parents
Information: Building Report Old Business Superintendent's Report
Action: Resignation Hiring Contract Service Agreements
 Travel Out-of-State Travel In State Approvals
 Termination Legal Matters Other:
 This action request pertains to Elementary (only) High School/District Wide

Date: 11/15/22

To: Corrina Guardipee-Hall
 Browning Public Schools

From: Jennifer Wagner
Title: Principal

Subject: Out of State Travel: Inter Tribal Agriculture Annual Conference 2022

Description: Request school related leave for Jimi Champ and Emily Williams to attend the Annual Inter Tribal Agriculture Council Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada. Emily Williams is receiving an award for winning the 2022 Intertribal Agriculture Council High School Essay Contest and Jimi Lunak is the chaperone. All expenses are paid. Ms. Champ is requesting School Relative Leave Only for herself and Ms. Williams.

Financial Impact: \$ None

Funding Source (Budget/grant, etc.): None

Attachment(s): Leave Slip/Award Letter

Approval: Superintendent's Office/Finance/Personnel as applicable (Initial) _____

Comments: _____

Board Action: N/A (Info) Approved Denied Tabled to: _____

11-14-22

To Whom it May Concern,

It is with great pride that I announce one of our amazing students, Ms Emily Williams has been selected by the Intertribal Agriculture Council as a High School Essay Contest winner. Thanks to her writing skills and knowledge of the state of agriculture on the Blackfeet Reservation, Emily has won and all expenses paid trip to the IAC conference in Las Vegas December 5-8.

I will join her as her chaperone for a chance for the both of us to glean more knowledge about agriculture in Indian Country. As her chaperone, my expenses have also been paid.

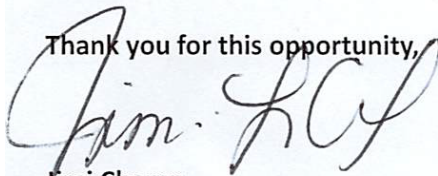
We are both very excited about this upcoming trip and hope that we will be able to get school related leave for this prestigious trip.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this request. Please feel free to contact me.

jimil@bps.k12.mt.us

406-925-1761

Thank you for this opportunity,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jimi Champ". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and "C".

Jimi Champ

Vo-Ag Teacher

Browning High School

**Application for
Certified Professional Development Opportunity
Browning Public Schools
2022-2023**

The goal of staff development is to improve achievement for Browning School students. Ideally, staff development should be sustained, intensive, of high quality, and involve as many staff and, ultimately, children as possible. Therefore, all staff members requesting professional development assistance are required to provide the following information:

Names: Jimi Champ _____ Job Title Vo-Ag teacher Gr. 9-12

Describe the type of professional development you are requesting. Include subject, area concentration, dates and follow-up activities.

Earlier this year, I gave Ag students an opportunity to write an essay and submit it to the Intertribal Agriculture Council for an all expenses paid trip to Las Vegas in December. One of our amazing students was chosen to this trip along with me as chaperone. The trip to the IAC conference will not only serve as an educational experience for our student but also as a professional development experience for me. The IAC conference will have keynote speakers, traditional blessings and feeds, as well as several breakout sessions throughout the week.

Describe how this professional development activity will “improve (your) knowledge and skills, classroom instruction and student achievement.”

This conference will provide me with more knowledge in my field and will enable me to come back to the reservation and school and share my this knowledge with our students and community. I will attend several breakout sessions a day including:

- Decolonizing Sustainable Agriculture Education
- Farm to Market: marketing and communication techniques to connect with buyers
- Strategies and Equipment for beef and pork harvest
- Extending Indigenous food systems into our schools
- Equitable food systems and success in indian country
- Rocky Mountain Regional Caucus
- Creating food systems in indigenous communities
- Keeping and the non commercial family farm self sustaining

Describe how this professional development activity is tied to the goals of the District’s Consolidated Plan/Strategic Plan or your building’s School-wide.

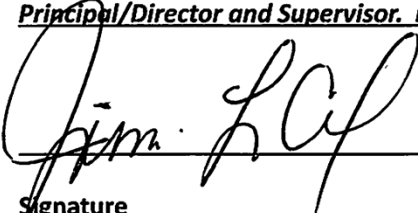
This professional development meets our strategic plan by incorporating the importance of knowing and teaching Native American cultural values, traditions, history, love of place and identity. The conference also will help to create more knowledge about Native Americans’

unique and modern backgrounds, diversity, interests and lifestyle of many of the students I teach.

If the request requires out-of-district training, outline your plan to share what you have learned with other staff members and include a timeline.

This training will not only allow me to witness one of our very own students joining the unique culture of native american farmers/ranchers/business persons but will give me more information to share with our students. I will share this knowledge with the students in my classes but would be more than willing to share what I learned with the staff in either a formal or informal training session.

If this request involves use of funds, please attach the appropriate school district requisition and/or leave/travel request with itemized expenses. Out of District travel requests are due 2-weeks in advance. Out of State requests are due 30-days in advance. All travel must be approved by the Principal/Director and Supervisor. Both must be approved by the Board.



Signature

11-14-22
Date