



# SCHOOL BOARD MEETING REPORT

Board Meeting Date: Nov. 5, 2013

Agenda #                     

Staff/Administrator: Dennis Misner

Superintendent: Patricia Adams

Type of Item:       Informational       Action

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

We were able to file a last minute grant in early October and we were awarded the grant for \$7000.00 to pay for a robot kit and the funding of a coach for a robotics competition. I would like the board to allow us to accept the grant so that we can move forward with a co-curricular learning opportunity for students who want to enter the field of engineering.

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

We have few class offerings that attract capable students who want to work in manufacturing. Our new STEM class will be the home of this effort that will have application in Physics and Advanced Math and provide an opportunity for computer programming. The grant will allow us to have plenty of raw material and challenge for our students.

**List the advantages of your proposal:**

We will be able to attract pre-engineering students into a relevant and challenging class project. We will be able to form a competitive robotics team. We will not have to fund materials for the STEM class. We will be able to lay the foundation for additional STEM classes and grants.

**List possible disadvantages of your proposal:**

None of the opportunities will be available to our students.

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

We will develop an alternative set of activities that we will fund for the North Valley budget. I do not recommend this choice as the grant will make our goals feasible.

Superintendent's recommendation(s):

Approve: Yes  No