



BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

## KELLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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**10D.** Preview **Date:** February 12, 2009

**SUBJECT:** SELECTION OF SYNTHETIC TURF SYSTEM AND CONTRACTOR FOR DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL COMPETITION FIELDS

**BOARD GOAL:** All systems in the Keller Independent School District will be effective, efficient, and accountable in support of the District's mission.

**FISCAL NOTE:** 2008 Bond Funds

**ANTICIPATED DATE FOR ACTION:** February 26, 2009

### **Background Information:**

- Synthetic turf was included in the 2008 Bond that was proposed and approved November 2008.
- The Purchasing Department, with the assistance of the Athletic and Construction Departments, has generated a performance specification for these fields. The Administration is going through the process of requesting proposals from qualified contractors, using approved Purchasing Cooperative Networks through the State.

### **Administrative Considerations:**

- During the Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee meeting on November 19, 2008, Committee members expressed interest in having synthetic turf at all campus competition fields. They requested the Administration evaluate the cost comparison between the initial costs of the synthetic turf system versus the yearly maintenance costs of a sod field.
- The Administration presented the cost comparison to the Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee on January 22, 2009. After reviewing the cost comparison and discussing the added benefit of the number of events that can be scheduled with the turf system, the Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee requested an alternate be added to the proposal request to provide turf on all competition fields.

- The Purchasing Department will be using the competitive sealed proposal method for accepting and reviewing the various turf contractor proposals.
- The proposals that will be received by the Purchasing Department will be reviewed with the Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee prior to the final recommendation being made to the Board of Trustees on February 26, 2009.
- These fields are projected to be ready for fall of 2009.

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Respectfully submitted,

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