



BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

KELLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

11F. Report

Date: April 9, 2007

SUBJECT: REVISED YOUTH GROUP FEES FOR FACILITIES USE

BOARD GOAL: The Keller Independent School District will develop and promote positive community relations through effective communication, the involvement of stakeholders, and the establishment of business and community partnerships.

All systems in the Keller Independent School District will be effective, efficient, and accountable in support of the district's mission

FISCAL NOTE: Local Revenue Source

Background Information:

- In June 2006 the board approved revisions to Policy GKD(LOCAL) as well as a revised Facility Usage Agreement and Fee Schedule
- The district was also directed to allow a transition period up to January 1, 2007 for groups that might be impacted by the new agreement and fee schedule
- The fee schedule incorporated a special reduced facility usage fee for designated youth groups directly serving and benefiting district students, including Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and youth sports organizations
- A designated youth group must be both located and operating within the boundaries of Keller ISD and shall serve all youth within the Keller ISD community

Administrative Considerations:

- Pursuant to the board's directive for a transition period, the district worked with various youth groups to transition into the new fee schedule
- Some organizations elected to pursue other options for facility space, but several large youth groups worked with the district in the transition period, including the Keller Youth Association and YMCA
- Several months ago, the board again directed the administration to work specifically with these groups to work out an acceptable arrangement that allowed the district to recover its cost of providing facilities to these specific groups without creating a hardship for the groups financially
- Following this directive, the administrative team and several of the youth groups initially met to discuss the parameters of an acceptable arrangement

- The administration then spent time evaluating the cost of providing facilities to these particular groups based on their actual usage in the past as well as projected use in the future
- The parties got back together to review and discuss the methodology used to develop the cost data and the results of the evaluation, and to further discuss any other issues that might need to be addressed
- Finally, on March 22, the parties reconvened and the administration proposed new rates and a method for annually adjusting the rates, both of which recommendations met with unanimous approval of all of the parties in attendance
- The new rates will be presented as part of the report

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Respectfully submitted,

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