
Board of Education

ACTION

TITLE: Consider Approval of a Lease Agreement with The City of Fort Smith for Skokos Field at Kelley Park Ballfields

DATE: March 8, 2021

RESPONSIBLE ADMINISTRATOR: Martin Mahan
Deputy Superintendent

Mike Beaumont
Director of Activities and Athletics

VISION 2023 STRATEGY: Strategy 4: Learning Environment

BACKGROUND/CONSIDERATIONS:

Following the installation of the artificial turf at the Kelly Park Ballfields, the Southside High Schools Girls' Softball Team began utilizing Skokos Field for the practices. The team has been utilizing Skokos Field since February 1, 2021. The city has been working with the Fort Smith Public Schools and the Fort Smith Church Baseball League to prepare a lease agreement that would allow the continued use of the fields by both parties.

RECOMMENDATION:

If the Board agrees, the motion would read: *move to* approve the Fort Smith Public Schools to enter into an agreement with the City of Fort Smith to lease Skokos Field at Kelley Park Ballfields.

VISION 2023 STRATEGIES - **1. Career Planning:** Develop and implement education and career pathways so that each student graduates with a viable plan and relevant skill set for his or her future. **2. Equity:** Develop and implement a system-wide plan to provide all students with the resources they need to optimize their learning. **3. Instruction:** Design, develop and implement programs to promote rigor, relevance, collaboration, critical- thinking skills and learning environments designed to meet each student's unique needs and aspirations. **4. Learning Environment/Facilities:** Align resources, facilities and technology strategically and equitably across the district to maximize security and enhance the learning environment. **5. Staffing:** Recruit and retain highly-qualified faculty, staff and administration. **6. Technology:** Provide appropriate technology that is consistently available, effectively supported and equitably distributed for group and individual instruction. **7. Wellness:** Develop and train empathetic and nurturing employees to be sensitive to and supportive of the needs of all children and families.