



SCHOOL BOARD MEETING REPORT

Board Meeting Date: 18-Apr-17 **Superintendent:** Dave Valenzuela

Administrator/Staff: Dennis Misner/Rob Moeny

Type of Item: *Informational* *Action*

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

Teacher requests permission to travel out-of-state with 2 students to the National Speech and Debate Association National Tournament. The tournament this year will be held in Birmingham, Alabama, June 18-23. The students will be competing in Informative Speaking and World Schools Debate. Mr. Moeny will also be the coach of the South Oregon World Schools Debate teams, with students drawn from 8 schools from the South Oregon NSDA District. The school is also requesting \$300 per student as per board policy to support national competitions.

Provide history/background information on your proposal:

North Valley has a long tradition of sending teams to the National Speech and Debate Association National Tournament and is returning after a 2-year period without a National Qualifier. Rob Moeny has been the coach of the South Oregon World Schools team since its inception 2 years ago, finishing 2nd in the nation that first year. Previously, the district has provided permission and limited funding for the

List the advantages of your proposal:

Rob Moeny is an experienced coach and last year represented the district well. His work has brought recognition to the excellent work being done by multiple coaches in the area.

List possible disadvantages of your proposal:

There is a cost to attend, though the students are fundraising to cover expenses.

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

Without board approval, Mr. Moeny will not be able to attend, and another coach will need to be found for the World Schools team.

Superintendent's recommendation(s):

Approve: Yes No