



**GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA ITEM
AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10**

DATE OF MEETING: September 10, 2013

TITLE: Recognition of St. Mark's United Methodist Church

BACKGROUND:

St. Mark's United Methodist Church has a strong tradition of community service.

When the church adopted Nash Elementary School in 2002, we knew we had something special. The people at St. Mark's had a goal to get involved and help in any way possible. Their classroom volunteer and school supply program became what's known as "Nash Neighbors."

A committee of church volunteers, and Bob Hehli, the principal at Nash Elementary School, currently administer the "Nash Neighbors" program. What began as a partnership to provide in-class volunteers and school supplies, has grown into a multifaceted program including teacher appreciation events, book and school supply drives, maintenance assistance, and a weekly Snack Pack Program; this program ensures that Nash Elementary students who are in need do not go hungry over the weekend. The program has expanded from 60 to 120 students. St. Mark's volunteers pack the food during the week, deliver it on Thursday. Friday afternoon, the students take the packed food home for the weekend.

We are pleased to recognize Cris Mayerle and Nora Fritz from St. Mark's.

RECOMMENDATION:

This is presented for the Board's information and recognition.

INITIATED BY:

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Monica Nelson, Associate Superintendent

Date: August 29, 2013

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patrick Nelson".

Patrick Nelson, M.Ed., Superintendent