## **Action Sheet**

**MEETING DATE:** February 22, 2023

**AGENDA ITEM:** Discuss and consider the approval to apply

for a grant to the Moody Foundation on behalf of the Tor Store Program for a term of 3 years in an amount not to exceed

\$475,000.

In 2020, Ball High School's special education department received a grant from the Moody Foundation which provided funds. The grant recipients have created a sustainable program that provides career level training for our special education and life skills students. Through the formation of a partnership with the Ball High business classes, students in the life skills program and general education students work together to create products that are then sold to our students, staff, and community.

Now the TOR Store is ready to expand its services again and is seeking the assistance of the Moody Foundation to do so. This next expansion will allow the staff involved in the project to teach not only its students, but our Galveston community about the program we have at Ball High School. This new endeavor will include the purchase of new equipment to expand the products and services they provide, as well as a trailer, so that the students can sell their products to the public during different events. Introducing our students to the public, and the public to what our students can do, is an important part of the TOR Store Project.

**RECOMMENDATION:** I move that the board approve the

submission of a grant to the Moody Foundation on behalf of the Tor Store Program for a term of 3 years in an amount not to exceed \$475,000.

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