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UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AGENDA ACTION ITEM

TOPIC Approval of Request from John M. Bruce for Use of Discretionary Funds for Trautmann Middle School for \$3,270

SUBMITTED BY: John M. Bruce **OF:** Board Members

APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SCHOOL BOARD: _____

DATE ASSIGNED FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION: October 23, 2008

RECOMMENDATION:

RATIONALE:

BUDGETARY INFORMATION

BOARD POLICY REFERENCE AND COMPLIANCE:



**United Independent School District
Board of Trustees Discretionary Funds Request Form
Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

Requesting Campus: TRAUTMANN MIDDLE SCHOOL

Campus Principal: RAYMUNDO GONZALEZ, III

Board Member: MR. JOHN BRUCE

Description of Request: FIVE GYM FLOOR MATS NEEDED FOR THE
TRAUTMANN MIDDLE SCHOOL CHEERLEADERS. (PLEASE SEE
ATTACHED LETTER)

Estimated Cost of Request \$3,270.00

Principal Signature: *Raymundo Gonzalez, III* **Date** OCTOBER 10, 2008
RAYMUNDO GONZALEZ, III

Board Member Approval: Yes No

Board Member Signature: _____ **Date** _____

Superintendent Signature: _____ **Date** _____

Board Approval: Yes No **Date Approved:** _____

Please return the completed form to the Superintendent's Office for final processing.



September 30, 2008

Dear John Bruce:

Cheerleading has become a competitive sport that requires skill, coordination and the ability to perform advanced tumbling and complex acrobatic techniques. We believe today's cheerleaders are performing more complex and difficult stunts. While training and performing such stunts, safety of the athlete is a necessity.

Imagine a cheerleader being thrown in the air with nothing but cement under them. It would be tragic if they were not caught and landed on the floor. This is a move that cheerleaders do every day and luckily cheerleading mats have been developed for such stunts. Although these mats are primarily used during practices, cheerleaders have the confidence to do the tumbling and stunts knowing that if they fall, there will be comfort below them. It is because of this that we are turning to our community for support in purchasing these mats. Our cheerleaders have gone on to win three national titles without having the necessary equipment needed to perform their complex tumbling and acrobatic skills needed to compete today.

Our goal is to purchase the five mats needed to help the girls during practice. The price for the Standard Crossed-link Foam Flex-Roll (CFLX-125) is \$3270.00 (all five mats included in price). These mats may be purchased at US Gym Mats (<http://www.cheermats.com/>). Attached is the information needed.

We appreciate your time and dedication as our School Board Member. We are hoping that through your generosity and support we are able to get these athletes what they need to keep competing and representing not only Trautmann Middle School, but all of UISD.

Thanking you in advance,


TMS Booster Club
Ma. Esther Garza, President