

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

**DATE OF MEETING:** June 9, 2015 TITLE: Recognition of Sun City Oro Valley Astronomy Club's "Project Astro" **BACKGROUND:** The Sun City Oro Valley (SCOV) Astronomy Club has partnered with Coronado K-8 School since 2009 to give all 5th Grade students an experience that is out of this world. Club members share their astronomy knowledge with students in a classroom setting and during school organized star parties, where students may peer at the night sky though powerful telescopes. Every year the Club raises money through member donations to provide a brand new telescope to each 5th Grade student at Coronado K-8. The goal of Project Astro is to encourage young people to become interested in Science. Each year, SCOV sends five Coronado students to the UA Summer Space Camp on Kitt Peak. It is an experience the students will always remember. The Sun City Oro Valley Astronomy Club is a valuable community partner. Special thanks to Club members Harland Goertz, Bob Cratty, Dave Thompson, and Kathy Juneau for their dedication to our students. **RECOMMENDATION:** This is presented to the Board for information and recognition. **INITIATED BY:** Mindy Blake Mindy Blake, Director of Community Relations Date: May 26, 2015

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