



## SCHOOL BOARD MEETING REPORT

**Board Meeting Date:** 5/16/2017      **Superintendent:** Dave Valenzuela

**Administrator/Staff:** Daye Stone / Joe Green

**Type of Item:**       *Informational*       *Action*

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

As the music teacher at Hidden Valley High School, I would like to offer an Advanced Placement Music Theory course for the 2016-2017 school year. I have designed the curriculum for the course and it has been accredited by the AP Board as meeting their standard for course content and instruction. I am asking that the school board approve this new course for instruction at Hidden Valley High School.

**Provide history/background information on your proposal:**

**List the advantages of your proposal:**

There is a considerable interest this year amongst music students to have an academic music class that can teach them about how and why music works. This gives students the opportunity to transcend not only being able to perform music but use higher order thinking skills to synthesize their knowledge and create music of their own. Being an Advanced Placement course, the music theory class would be another college preparatory class that Hidden Valley can offer students to prepare them for a university setting and they can acquire college credit through the AP exam. In addition to AP credit, this course qualifies for dual credit through the RCC College Now program where students can earn nine free RCC credits for the Music 111, 112, and 113 level courses.

**List possible disadvantages of your proposal:**

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

**Superintendent's recommendation(s):**      **Approved:**    Yes     No