



SCHOOL BOARD MEETING REPORT

Board Meeting Date:	July 11, 2018	Superintendent:	Dave Valenzuela
Administrator/Staff:	Jessica Durrant		
Type of Item:	<i>Informational</i>	X	<i>Action</i>

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

This Board Report is requesting out of state travel for Director Jessica Durrant and Director Stephanie Allen-Hart to travel to Salt Lake City, Utah to attend training with Response to Intervention. This RTI Innovation Education Conference will allow us to learn from the country's most experienced implementors of systemic problem solving in a three-tiered model for all students in TRSD. Sessions at the conference of most importance is social-emotional learning, building and district implementation strategies, and how we can take the RTI model we have at the elementary level and provide similar interventions at the middle schools. Travel dates will be October 16-17, 2018 and all costs associated with attending this training (estimated to be \$3,220) will be paid for by federal dollars. Upon completion of the training, Jessica and Stephanie will share the information learned from the conference with TRSD administrative team and those who lead RTI meetings at the elementary schools.

Provide history/background information on your proposal:

Response to Intervention (RTI) is an ongoing process in which educators work collaboratively in recurring cycles of collecting student data and using the information to make best decisions for student instruction. For example, if student testing data showed that a child struggled with sounding out words quickly, the appropriate small group intervention would be focused on learning phonics. Creating a structure in each building with appropriate assistants and material support is vital for this process to be effective. Throughout TRSD, teacher teams at each elementary school work through this process every 6-8 weeks. There are parts of our process that need refining to maximize student growth. Our middle school students can also benefit from this targeted instruction and we are looking for advice from schools that have implemented these types of systems in those grade levels. This conference is recommended by Oregon RTI, a partner with Three Rivers School District.

List the advantages of your proposal:

Jessica and Stephanie will increase their understanding of RTI implementation, how it affects academic growth, and how schools can look at data to ultimately have maximized small group interventions. The information learned will be shared with other administrators and teacher teams.

List possible disadvantages of your proposal:

None known.

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

Possible alternatives would be to consult with other districts who may have more experience than TRSD in this area. We have found in the last few months that very few in Oregon implement in middle schools, making this networking a challenge.

Superintendent's recommendation(s):


Approve: Yes No