## BEMIDJI AREA SCHOOLS BEMIDJI, MINNESOTA

**DATE:** JANUARY 23, 2017

**TO:** BOARD OF EDUCATION

FROM: KATHY PALM, DIRECTOR OF CURRICULUM & ADMIN. SERVICES

**SUBJECT:** REQUEST TO SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATION

## **COMMENTS:**

Type of Grant: Foundation

Title of Grant: CenturyLink Teachers and Technology Program

Granter: CenturyLink

Grant Preparer: Zach McDermott, Horace May Grade 3 Teacher

Amount of Grant: \$5,000

District Responsibility: Serve as fiscal agent

Purpose: Our goal is to integrate iPads into our instruction across all

elementary content areas. IPads possess some key advantages over comparable technologies at the elementary level. Navigation is intuitive, so instructional time isn't spent learning to operate the device. Access to a quality camera is a must for sharing results and

creating content.

Our goal is to use technology to enhance the learning that is already taking place in our rooms. The iPad will be a tool to improve the depth of student understanding and not just a set of electronic flashcards. The additional tablets will allow us to transform a second classroom into a one-to-one setting.