

Approval of Aquatics Program May 11, 2010

SUMMARY:

This item requests approval of the DISD summer aquatics program, as an approved DISD activity.

BOARD GOAL:

In pursuit of excellence, the district will

- cultivate a consistent, strong, district-wide balanced curriculum based on ongoing needs assessment that supports all students
- provide support services and promote health, wellness and safety for students and families

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

None

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The USA swimming club that has been working out in Denton recently closed its Denton branch creating an opportunity to create a team without competition from an existing club. The recreational club offered by the city is not equipped with quality coaching and results in parents and children losing interest and leaving the sport altogether. The current middle school swim/water polo team being offered to students in Denton ISD with minimal advertising resulted in a turnout of over 50 the first night and more followed as the word spread. There is a desire for a team that bridges the gap between recreational and competitive clubs by parents and students.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

None

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

A conservative projection of 50 athletes

Club dues range from \$60 - \$140 per month in the area.

Average dues of \$75 per month would result in \$3750 in gross revenue.

Coaching Cost – 2 coaches (\$20 /hr)

Practice time – 2 hours of per day with maximum of 16 – 20 day a month (Monday-Thursday)

The coaching cost would be \$ 1600 per month. Attached is a projected budget based upon student participation.

Cost for the program will be covered by club dues and tuition. Any profit from the program will be applied towards the expense of the natatorium and shared equally with the City of Denton.

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

The Denton ISD Aquatics club will provide a much needed opportunity for all the elementary, middle and high school students. It is a great way to increase the usage of the natatorium for the benefit of all levels of Denton ISD students.

PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:

Budget reports will be produced as needed to ensure transparency in the program and provide information to our partners, the City of Denton.

PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:

None

ALTERNATIVES:

None

OTHER COMMENTS:

None

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

The administration recommends approval of the Denton ISD Aquatics Club as a DISD program.

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

Chris Cullen, Head Swimming Coach
Ken Purcell, Director of Athletics

ATTACHMENT:

DISD Swim Club Proposal
Proposed Budget

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: _____

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: _____

Signature of Superintendent: _____