

GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA ITEM AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10

DATE OF MEETING: January 11, 2011

TITLE: Approval of Addendum to Intergovernmental Agreement with Pima Community

College District for a Tech Prep Articulated College Credit Program

BACKGROUND: The Governing Board previously approved the District's participation in the federal program known as Tech Prep, a program of the 1998 Carl Perkins Act on Vocational Education. The program is operated through a consortium of local school districts and has been administered by the Office of the Pima County School Superintendent since 1993. Most recently, in September 2005, the Board approved our continuing participation in the program.

Tech Prep provides several key opportunities for our students. Most relevant to this Board item is articulation. The Tech Prep program establishes articulation of district vocational classes to those of community colleges or other educational institutions. This helps ensure that our students are better prepared for career and technical education which they may pursue after graduation from the District. In addition, it affords them an opportunity to earn college credits for qualified high school course work.

The attached form of agreement specifies the courses at each of our high schools which our faculties, in joint meetings, have determined should qualify for PCC credit.

In addition, the agreement requires the continued participation of our faculties in meetings with the PCC faculty to determine articulated credit eligibility for our courses, as well as continued access to our classrooms for evaluation of course content by College faculty. We must also provide grade information to PCC to enable the award of college credit. (Only students receiving grades of "A" or "B" in one of our approved courses earns PCC credit).

Approval of the attached Addendum Agreement would permit the District's continued participation in the Program until June 30, 2015.

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RECOMMENDATION: The administration recommends the Governing Board approve the attached form of agreement.

INITIATED BY:

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Vicki Balentine, Ph.D., Superintendent

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Date: January 4, 2011