



## SCHOOL BOARD MEETING REPORT

Board Meeting Date: 10.19.09

Agenda #                     

Staff/Administrator: Lise Van Brunt

Superintendent: Dan Huber-Kantola

Type of Item: ☒ Informational ☐ Action

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

Steve Jones, one of our M.H. teachers has submitted a grant application for a Josephine County Cultural Grant. He is focusing on getting appropriate drumming equipment and training from our last artist in residence for our staff. Steve has personal experience with drumming. He hopes to engage his students more fully through this avenue of music. He has applied for approximately \$1500. The district has no obligation to match funds or sustain the program. However, Steve is looking ahead in how he planned the grant money use and with training and purchase of materials, it is possible we will be able to sustain the use of the drums for many years.

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

Steve will be researching the use of modified drum heads which are easily stored and have limited sound production. This makes their use more realistic for our classrooms and less disruptive to the work of others.

**List the advantages of your proposal:**

Our M.H. student's day will be enriched with a new communication tool beyond language. The drumming supplies can be used for many years. Students will get more exposure to music. Students can learn a new way to express themselves.

**List possible disadvantages of your proposal:**

Drums are noisy. Drums can be hard to store.

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

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Superintendent's recommendation(s):

Approve: Yes ☐ No ☐