

**Approval For Travel to a Non-State-Sanctioned Activity, Out of State**  
**DHS Chess Club**  
**April 9, 2013**

**SUMMARY:**

- This item requests approval of a request by the Denton High School Chess Club for travel to the United States Chess Federation Super Nationals Tournament in Nashville, Tennessee, April 4-8, 2013.

**PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:**

- No previous action has been taken or requested.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

- Travel approval is requested for 5 students and 2 sponsors.
- Students and sponsors will travel by rented van.
- Board Action was not requested prior to the trip due to an oversight at the campus level. The oversight was discovered April 4, 2013 when Mr. Ford called to check on the status of the trip approval. Dr. Wilson was consulted and Mr. Ford has corrected campus procedures.

**SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:**

- Students will miss 3 days of school.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:**

- Expenses are to be paid by the students and through a donation of \$2910.00 from UT-Dallas and the USCF.

**BENEFIT OF ACTION:**

- Competition is an integral part of student success.
- Participation by DHS will enhance the district's reputation at the local state and national level as academically competitive.

**PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:**

- None

**PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:**

- None

**ALTERNATIVES:**

- No alternative actions are proposed.

**OTHER COMMENTS:**

- Board policy requires board approval of such travel.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:**

- Recommend approval of the Denton High School Chess Club request for travel to the United States Chess Federation Super Nationals Tournament in Nashville, Tennessee, April 4-8, 2013.

**STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:**

- Fred Mueller, Chess Club Sponsor, Denton High School
- Dan Ford, Principal, Denton High School
- David Hicks, Executive Director Secondary Programs

**ATTACHMENT:**

- Request for Travel, Non-State Sanctioned Activity, Out-of-State
- Itinerary

**APPROVAL:**

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_