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MEETING

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FOR ACTION

SUBJECT: Business Professionals of America – Overnight Trip Request

Background and Findings:

High School Teacher Patricia Lōser is requesting permission to take two Belding High School students on an overnight field trip to the Business Professionals of America National Conference, May 6-10, 2026, at Opryland, in Nashville, TN. The students will compete in various events that test their business skills and participate as Michigan voting delegates at the conference, as well as attend several "Leadership Passport Workshops," which are workshops to improve business skills. A copy of the proposed itinerary has been forwarded to the Board.

Other Considerations:

It is part of BPA requirements that all Michigan delegates stay overnight at Opryland (location of the conference) for the duration of the event. Funding is partially provided through the current BPA Club fundraising account, various donors, and student-led fundraising efforts. Patricia Loser will be the advisor chaperoning this trip.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board approve this overnight trip request.