



# SCHOOL BOARD MEETING REPORT

Board Meeting Date: 16-Jul-12

Agenda #                     

Staff/Administrator: Dave Valenzuela

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?**

Request for out-of-state travel for 1, possibly 2, tech department employees to attend wireless equipment training in Redding, California (1670 Market Street, Redding, CA 96001-1038 (Development Inc.)). The training is part of the purchase agreement and will not cost the district. There will be a cost associated with the travel and lodging that the tech department will be responsible for. I have not indicated which tech department employee will be going for certain due to Mark Kimzey's resignation. I will be assessing which employee(s) need to attend the training in the next two weeks. We set the training up as needed. I anticipate sending people to the training near the end of July 2012.

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

We recently purchased equipment that will enable the district to deploy wireless technology to our schools. We are working on increasing the capacity of our Distance Learning Classrooms through this effort. Development Group, the company that won the bid for equipment, includes a 4 hour training with their engineers in the price of the equipment.

**List the advantages of your proposal:**

Wireless technology will have a significant impact on our network. Among our concerns is network stability, network security and overall functionality. The training is a requirement to properly engineer a wireless environment into our existing network.

**List possible disadvantages of your proposal:**

None

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

Webinar training is a possibility, but will not allow our Department Techs hands on, side-by-side exposure to the wireless network tools available from the Development Group.

Superintendent's recommendation(s):

Approve: Yes  No