



GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA ITEM
AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10

DATE OF MEETING: **December 9, 2014**

TITLE: **Approval of Student Fee Rates Charged Pursuant to Governing Board Policy JQ, A.R.S. §15-342 (24), and A.R.S. § 15-1142.**

BACKGROUND:

Arizona Revised Statute 15-342 sets forth the permissive powers of the Governing Board. Among other things, the provision allows the Governing Board to assess reasonable fees for optional extracurricular activities and programs conducted when schools are not in session. For the purposes of this provision, "extracurricular activity" means any optional, noncredit, educational or recreational activity which supplements the education program of the school, whether offered before, during or after regular school hours.

For high schools, the law also allows governing boards to assess fees for fine arts and vocational education courses and for optional services, equipment and materials offered to students beyond those required to successfully complete the basic requirements of any other course. No fees may ever be charged for access to or use of computers or related materials.

Fees must be adopted at a public meeting after notice has been given to all parents of students and cannot exceed the actual costs of the activities, programs, services, equipment or materials. The governing board must also authorize principals to waive the assessment of all or part of a fee assessed pursuant to this provision of law if it creates an economic hardship for a pupil.

Attached is a list of proposed District fees for the 2015-16 school year. This list has been displayed on the Amphitheater District website for thirty days.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Administration recommends approval of the proposed fees.

INITIATED BY:

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Date: November 25, 2014

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