

MEETING DATE: November 14, 2016

**AGENDA ITEM:** Consider Approval of the Out-of-State Bearcat Regiment and Choir Trip to Branson, MO with excursions to Memphis, TN and Nashville, TN.

PRESENTER: Dr. Derek Citty, Superintendent

**ALIGNS TO BOARD GOAL(S):** Learning – District will provide an aligned, rigorous curriculum, with instructional/technology programs preparing students to meet/exceed all educational standards.

## **Background Information:**

The Bearcat Regiment is requesting permission to travel to Branson, MO to perform with additional excursions to Memphis, TN and Nashville, TN from March 10<sup>th</sup> through March 17th to perform/compete at the Dixie Stampede in Branson.

An itinerary is attached for Trustee review showing mode of transportation, activities, competition schedule and other events associated with this competition. Also, included is the necessary paperwork submitted by Director Joey Paul and Principal Dan Peterson completed prior to seeking Trustee approval.

## Administrative Considerations:

- The trip has been approved by Aledo High School Principal Dan Peterson and Dr. Derek Citty, Superintendent of Schools.
- The trip meets the requirements for out-of-state trips under policy FMG (LOCAL). Under the subheading, "Out of State Travel" the following language is found:

"Any out-of-state trips taken by student organizations or other student groups shall require approval from the Board."

• There are an adequate number of chaperones to directly supervise the students and provide for their safe travel to and from Missouri and Tennessee.

**FISCAL NOTE:** The costs associated with this trip will be paid by parents, students and fundraising activities by the band program.

Administrative Recommendation: Administration recommends approval of the proposed Band and Choir trip in March of 2017 to Branson, MO along with side excursions to Memphis, TN and Nashville, TN.