



**GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA ITEM
AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10**

DATE OF MEETING: **April 7, 2015**

TITLE: **Recognition of CDO Academic Decathlon Team**

BACKGROUND:

The Canyon del Oro (CDO) Academic Decathlon Team earned the top score at the Arizona Academic Decathlon in March 2015. For the first time ever, the CDO Academic Decathlon has won the state championship for the second consecutive year. The team will represent Arizona at the United States Academic Decathlon Finals in Garden Grove, CA in April, 2015. The CDO team scored 46,341 out of a possible 60,000 points beating the second place team by 1,531 points. The team score is determined by the answers to a total of 2,010 questions, as well as the scores from numerous speeches, interviews, and essays.

In Academic Decathlon, students match their intellects with students from other schools. They are tested in ten categories: Art, Economics, Essay, Interview, Language and Literature, Math, Music, Science, Social Science, and Speech. Each team has nine students: 3 "A" or Honor students, 3 "B" or Scholastic students, and 3 "C" or Varsity students.

The Canyon del Oro High School Academic Decathlon team:

Michael Yuhas
Matt Welch
Caleb Yetman
Mason Sargent
Martin Ramirez Araujo
Christina Redford
Sarah Spurlin
Nicole Enos
Luisa Placencia Carranza
Zachary Azares - Regional team member

Coach:
Chris Yetman

RECOMMENDATION:

This item is for the Governing Board's information and recognition.

INITIATED BY:

Mindy Blake

Mindy Blake, Director of Community Relations

Date: April 6, 2015

Patrick Nelson

Patrick Nelson, Superintendent