



ALEDO ISD BOARD MEETING TEMPLATE

MEETING DATE: December 16, 2013

AGENDA ITEM: Consider acceptance of the Aledo Education Foundation general grant for the 2013-14 academic year.

PRESENTER: Dr. Derek Citty, Superintendent

ALIGNS TO BOARD GOAL(S): Goal 3 – Parents and Community - Parents and members of the community will have meaningful opportunities to participate in the educational processes of the Aledo ISD.

Background Information: The Aledo Education Foundation (AEF) has been working diligently since the beginning of the calendar year to put in place all the moving pieces of the new foundation. A significant portion of that work involves soliciting funds for innovative instructional programs.

This fall staff was briefed by foundation members and trained by staff in the grant writing process. There were a total of 51 grants submitted by individual staff members or teams of staff members. As can be seen by this level of interest and participation, this program has piqued the interest of the Bearcat faculty.

This item relates to the total number of dollars that AEF is seeking to donate to Aledo ISD. At this writing, it is estimated the donation will be in excess of \$90,000. This number is unclear as there are other possible donations pending which may increase the total.

Administrative Considerations: Administration has worked with the foundation to assist employees in making application for funds through AEF and to aid in educating staff alongside foundation leaders. This general grant represents the total amount of funds donated to help in funding the first ever round of grants to be awarded in early January.

FISCAL NOTE: The acceptance of this grant has no direct impact to the 2013-14 budget.

Administrative Recommendation: Administration recommends Trustees accept the first annual grant from the Aledo Education Foundation.