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Board of Education

TO: Board of Education
FROM: Executive Director of Business & Operations, Karen Apostoli
DATE: 03-20-2025
RE: Indian Knoll Donation

This memo is:

- ☐ Information only.
- ☐ Information with a recommendation, and a request for Board consent.
- ☒ Information with a recommendation, and a request for Board approval by vote.

Date by which a Board decision is needed: ____ 4/10/25 ____

Previous memos on this topic can be found:

- ☐ in previous Board packet(s) dated. ____
- ☐ or attached to this memo

Basic information:
The administration is requesting approval for a donation of fifty (50) folding chairs to Indian Knoll School.
Background or historical information:
<p>My name is Gina Sierszulski and my daughter, Eliana Sierszulski attends Indian Knoll and is in Ms. Deluca's 3rd grade class. When we were at the awards ceremony on March 6th, my parents and I noticed there were a lot of families that were standing as there weren't enough chairs for everyone. My Mom and Dad then asked me if they could donate chairs to Indian Knoll. I let them know that they would have to speak with Mrs. Del Toro. My Mom briefly spoke with her on the night of the awards ceremony and then I sent her a follow up email on March 7th.</p> <p>We would like to donate 50 folding chairs which will be purchased new from Home Depot. They are quite similar to the current folding chairs that Indian Knoll has for such events. Each chair costs \$13.98 without tax.</p> <p>The reason behind wanting to donate is so more attendees have an opportunity to sit with their families as their other children are being recognized for their hard work during school. Also, my parents have 3 other grandchildren that go to a private school in Chicago and they have auctions which my parents attend and donate each year. Since Indian Knoll does not do such events, they still want the opportunity to donate to Eliana's school, as they do for their other grandchildren.</p> <p>Our family is in a financial position to be able to help when needed. This would really make them happy and I believe would be great for Indian Knoll so more families can attend school events that are held in the cafeteria/gym.</p> <p>Eliana has been attending Indian Knoll since 1st grade and it has been the best decision I've made for her and her education. She has been thriving in school and not just from an academic standpoint. The teachers have brought out her confidence, she has made many friends, and she has been at the</p>

top of her class each year. This is just one way for us to thank Indian Knoll for all they've done for my daughter.

I hope you take our offer into consideration.

Sincerely,

Gina Sierszulski

Previous decisions, actions or parameters that relate to this topic or issue: (Options) 3 options

Recommendations: (Recommendations) and (Evaluate)

The administration recommends the Board approve the donation of 50 folding chairs for $13.98 \times 50 = \$699.00$.

Other questions? What else does the Board wish to know?: