

BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

KELLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

9D. Action

Date: November 24, 2008

SUBJECT: APPROVAL TO ACCEPT GRANTS AND DONATIONS

BOARD GOAL: All students will achieve educational excellence.

FISCAL NOTE: Grant funds

Background Information:

- The Hudson Foundation is a local granting organization focused on education and the arts. The grant provides \$76,600 for support of district-wide fine arts for 2008-2009, \$25,000 for the Keller ISD Art Show and \$51,600 for grade level field trips.
- \$40,000 is awarded to Hidden Lakes Elementary for support of visiting guest artists, musicians, classroom equipment and other educational equipment and educational supplies
- The Keller Youth Association (KYA), through various fundraising projects, raised \$8,000 to be donated to Special Olympics.

Administrative Considerations:

- The art show grant provides for framing of selected pieces from the KISD District Art Show to hang in the Hudson Foundation headquarters for one year and then be returned to the district. Remaining funds are disbursed for supply funds for art classrooms.
- Grade level field trips provides admission and transportation for entire grade levels to attend live fine arts events, such as 2nd graders going to the symphony, 3rd graders to the theatre, 4th graders to the museum, and 5th graders to the Blues Legends performance.
- The Hidden Lakes Elementary award was not requested, but given on the basis that it is to remain an anonymous donation specifically for Hidden Lakes Elementary. This is a discretionary award offered by Hudson Foundation employees because of their affiliation with the campus.

The administration recommends that the Board of Trustees accept the Hudson Foundation grants and the KYA donation as presented.

Respectfully submitted,

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