SCHOOL BOARD MEETING REPORT

Board Meeting Date: Oct. 17, 2011 **Agenda #** _____

Staff/Administrator: Peter Maluk **Superintendent:** _____

Type of Item: [ ] *Informational* [X] *Action*

Please state your proposal briefly and clearly. What do you want the board to know, discuss, or decide?

Travel to Austin, Texas to the National Teacher Induction Network Conference on November 14-15, 2011. The purpose of attending is to work on an Oregon Mentoring Impact Plan to gather data on teacher effectiveness and student achievement.

Provide history/background information on your proposal.

As part of the ODE Leadership Network for Teacher Induction (Mentoring Program), I have been a mentor for 4 years, working with ODE to develop professional teaching standards, building the mentoring program in southern Oregon, and am one of the 4 co-presenters in the state who teaches Mentor Academy for new mentors.

List the advantages of your proposal:

The ODE co-presenter's fund will cover the cost of food, lodging, registration, and travel. The state level and national work that I do will continue to benefit Three Rivers School District, as I bring back the latest innovations from other state programs, including grant opportunities, national trends relating to teacher induction programs, technology data collection, and professional teaching standards.

List possible disadvantages of your proposal:

Because I must be released for 2 days, I must make up my required hours needed with new teachers I serve in the mentoring program. I will schedule with collaborative teams, with possible travel time in mind. Though I am not as accessible when I am gone, I do answer emails to keep my lines of communication open.

List possible alternatives that could also offer a solution to your proposal. Why were they not recommended?

I would not attend the NTIN and receive the information indirectly. However, I am expected to be on a team of other project leads: (Rea Snyder from SOESD and Ruth McDonald from South Coast ESD.)

Superintendent's recommendation(s): **Approve:** Yes [ ] No [ ]