



SCHOOL BOARD MEETING REPORT

Board Meeting Date: 20-Apr-09

Agenda #

Staff/Administrator: Damian Crowson

Superintendent: Dan Huber-Kantola

Type of Item: Informational Action

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

The 6th grade teaching team is requesting permission to take all 6th grade students that are academic & behavior eligible to the Trees of Mystery in Klamath, California. Then, take them to the beach at Crescent City, California on Thursday, May 28, 2009. This end-of-the year field trip is being paid for with the money raised by the students during their fundraising activities throughout the year. This includes transportation costs. At this point, we anticipate 50-55 students will be going. This will be a one-day field trip.

Provide history/background information on your proposal.

This trip will be an educational experience as well as an enjoyable experience. These students will be taken on an escorted tour to see the Redwood Forest, and learn its history, the scientific aspects, and to preview forestry units. They will even get the chance to see and hear about the legend (or Tall-Tale), of "Paul Bunyan", as well as see the Native American cultural museum and lore.

List the advantages of your proposal:

Some of these students have never been out of the Illinois Valley, or to the California Coast. This is a great opportunity for the entire grade-level class to learn and grow, while at the same time enjoying the sights of the Northern California and Southern Oregon coastal region. This trip will not cost TRSD, so this is another advantage.

List possible disadvantages of your proposal:

The only possible disadvantage would be poor weather. This is a learning experience, and we hope that the students can have fun while learning.

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

This is the only escorted tour of the Redwoods in close proximity. An escorted tour will give our students plenty of reliable information that will help them when review reports are worked on. Any alternative would greatly impact the intent of this trip.

Superintendent's recommendation(s):

Approve: Yes No