



SCHOOL BOARD MEETING REPORT

Board Meeting Date: 1/21/2014

Agenda # _____

Staff/Administrator: Dave Valenzuela

Superintendent: Patricia Adams

Type of Item: Informational Action

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

I would like to request Board approval to pursue a new Century Link grant opportunity for Illinois Valley High School. Most recently, Evergreen Elementary and Hidden Valley High School have received this \$5,000 grant, which focuses on providing mobile technology to schools in both Oregon and Washington who wish to provide top-notch opportunities to their students in the arena of mobile technology.

Provide history/background information on your proposal.

This grant is provided through a partnership with OETC, the Oregon Educational Technology Consortium, a highly regarded non-profit organization that works toward integrating technology into our school environments for educational improvement. Oregon's teachers have been gaining valuable training and insight from the OETC on using technology in their classrooms and with their students in the most effective manner for over a decade.

List the advantages of your proposal:

This grant would provide a 3D printer, filament and 3 iPad Mini devices and two days of training/planning for the two teachers who will be teaching the 21st Century after school course developed around this technology. The vision is that the printer will be used to "print" products that will be used by teachers and students at IVHS, as well as NVHS and HVHS. The students will work with the teachers in developing the most efficient and appropriate products for their classrooms, based on the standards they are teaching. For example, a history teacher might "print" a tool found in an archeological dig in order to create curiosity and understanding about decision making in the past.

List possible disadvantages of your proposal:

None.

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

None.

Superintendent's recommendation(s):

Approve: Yes No