



SCHOOL BOARD MEETING REPORT

Board Meeting Date: 4/17/2021 Superintendent: Dave Valenzuela

Administrator/Staff: Michelle Morgan - Robert Saunders

Type of Item: Informational Action

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

Approval for out of state travel to the Edupoint Users Conference in Scottsdale, AZ on November 4 and 5, 2021.

Provide history/background information on your proposal:

The user conference for Synergy (our SIS or Student Information System) has been key to our growth in the understanding and application of Synergy. At this conference, we have the opportunity to discover the latest Synergy product features, get in-depth information on Synergy modules, and receive one-on-one instruction from Synergy experts as well as network with other Synergy Users. We would like to bring 3 users from the IT Department, 3 from Special Education, 2 TOSA, 2 admin from each level (elementary, middle and high school) and 3 office staff users.

List the advantages of your proposal:

With our Synergy support team attending the conference we can provide more support that is effective to users across the district. This conference will be budgeted for out of the IT Department, Special Education budget and Curriculum.

List possible disadvantages of your proposal:

The conference is costly. If we apply during the early bird registration, get rooms with a discount, and flights booked we can get the cost lowered. The benefits to the district with how we utilize Synergy have been tremendous. Every year, we have brought back information from this conference that our staff (Teachers, Classified and Administrators) have found very useful to the work that they do with students.

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

This is the only conference provided by Edupoint in the Western United States that addresses our needs for Supporting staff with the use of Synergy.

Superintendent's recommendation(s): Approve:


Yes No