Ector County Independent School District Odessa, Texas

Memorandum

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Wendell Sollis, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL FOR OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL FOR THE

ODESSA HIGH SCHOOL BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS OF

AMERICA

DATE: March 22, 2007

The Business Professionals of America from Odessa High School request permission to travel to New York, NY on May 9-13, 2007. Students will participate in the National Leadership Conference which includes general sessions with keynote speakers, leadership skills for high school students, workplace skills competition, and a closing awards ceremony. This travel opportunity will prepare students to enter college and the workforce with business, technology, and leadership skills.

A total of ten students, two teacher sponsors, and a special education interpreter will be involved in out-of-state travel. Funding sources for this trip includes CTE, special education and personal. An orientation will be held prior to the trip to make both parents and students award of the function and purpose for this trip.

It is recommended that the Board approve the Odessa High School Business Professionals of America trip to New York.

Respectfully submitted,

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