Appendix 5

BOE Agenda Item Executive Summary
Date: Dec 12, 2022

Topic: Approval to Receive Gift Funds for Education EDGE FY 23 Grants

Background Information: The Education EDGE foundation has received funds to support non-budget expenditures for athletics, fine arts, and mini grants. In accordance with BOE Policy 1785 – WPS Gift Funds, it is requested the Board of Education approve the disbursement of foundation funds to appropriate district accounts for expenditure.

Expenditures include the following:

Athletics Fund: $145,000. The Athletics Fund Gift Fund Team requested support for the following projects:

1. $100,000 – To support and assist a High School Athletic Uniform Rotation for all seven WPS high schools.

2. $45,000 – Replace the headend units of the sounds systems at Heights district stadium, Carpenter district stadium, and NW district stadium.

Fine Arts Fund: $30,000. The Fine Arts Gift Fund Team requested support for the following established priorities:

1. $10,000—Beginning Band and orchestra Instruments to include (11) Flutes and (11) Trombones
2. $10,000—Visual Arts Equipment to include (1) Kiln and accessories, (2) Drying Racks, and (3) Light Pads
3. $10,000—Auditorium Upgrades to include (5) Spotlights with lamps

Classroom Mini-Grants Fund: $180,000. Mini Grants Fund has requested the following:

1. $114,000—to award 34 applications in Education Edge's 20th year. Applications were judged in November for the classroom mini grants. Mini-grant recipients will be recognized in a later BOE Good News item. These applicants will be awarded in December.
2. $66,000—to award $300 mini grants to each new teacher to Wichita Public Schools.

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