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Mr. Scott D. Kuffel
Superintendent

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE FLORIDA SOFTBALL SPRING BREAK TRIP

Mr. Pettit and Mr. Mackey are requesting approval for another girls softball trip this year. Enclosed with this recommendation is a copy of a letter from Mr. Pettit and the form they complete for their request.

At this time they are still working on logistics of final location and accommodations, etc. They have done a very good job at organizing and chaperoning the girls. It is a wonderful experience for the students and is supported by parents and the Boosters.

It is my recommendation that this trip be approved by the Board of Education at the January 2012 Regular Meeting, contingent upon final approval by the High School Principal and Athletic Director ensuring that the final arrangements meet administrative expectations.

**RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE THE GIRLS SOFTBALL SPRING BREAK TRIP
CONTINGENT UPON FINAL APPROVAL BY THE HS ADMINISTRATION.**

January 4, 2012

Administration & Board,

We are truly grateful of the support that we continue to receive from you in the high school softball program. We are mindful of this when we do our best to represent the district respectfully and loyally, both home and away. We also strive to uphold the principles and goals of the district in the effort to provide the best possible educational experience for each student in academics and extracurricular.

We have been planning our return to Cocoa Beach, FL since early fall. The boosters had agreed to additional fund raising to travel by air instead of charter bus to save approximately one day of vacation time that may be used as family time. The air fares were very high, but dropping, so we delayed commitment. Two weeks ago, as we were securing our travel arrangements, we found that the Cocoa Beach Expo had cancelled the camp where we had been promised a spot. On a side note, Sterling was going to the same spot partially on our recommendation and are in the same situation as we are.

The essence of this saga is that we are now scrambling to find a suitable replacement destination and are requesting a short extension to the 90 day policy. We spoke with Mr. Mackey over break, when this occurred, and he suggested that we deal with this request as school resumed.

We hope you will consider the unusual circumstances as well as our history of professionalism on past trips.

We will complete the appropriate forms as soon as we possibly can ascertain a suitable destination.

Sincere Thanks for Consideration,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bob DeLis". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "B" and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

FORM 1

Overnight Trip Information

The Overnight Trip Information (Form 1) needs to be completed 90 days before the trip so the school board can approve the information.
(Any exceptions to the 90-day procedure are at the discretion of the Superintendent)

Team/Group: SOFTBALL Level: VARSITY & JV APPROX 20 PLAYERS
Destination: FLORIDA Coach/Sponsor: BOB PETTIT
Departure Date: MARCH 31, 2012 Departure Time: SAT AM TO ARRIVE SUN. AM (4-1)
Return Date: APRIL 6, 2012 Return Time: THURS AM TO FRI AM (4-6)
Reason for Overnight Trip: SOFTBALL SPRING TRAINING GAMES -

Total Mileage: _____ # of Chaperones: 9 COACHES/STAFF

List Chaperone's Names: PETTIT, MITCHELL, HARDISON, KERNAN,
DOBBS, PALMER, STICE, MONACO, VENSEL

Name of Hotel: _____

Hotel Address: _____ Hotel Phone #: _____

Check In Date: APRIL 1 Check Out Date: APRIL 5

A complete itinerary needs to be attached to Form 1 when it is turned in for approval.

The itinerary needs to include:

- Timeline (the timeline needs to be specific and include departure & return dates and times)
- Activities planned during the trip
- Approximate times you will be at the hotel for contact purposes
- A complete list of students, coaches, sponsors, chaperones, etc. that will be on the trip

Form 1 and your itinerary needs to be turned in to Mr. Mackey (Athletics) or Mr. O'Dell (Fine Arts). This is step 4 on the Overnight Trip Checklist (Form 2).

Board President _____ Date _____