<u>ACTION ITEM</u>

January 18, 2011

To: Board of Education Members

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Subject: Activity Fees

<u>Proposed Action by the Board of Education</u>

Approve new activity fees.

<u>Background</u>

We are looking at this topic again. In addition to the information presented and discussed on December 6 and January 3, we have a survey that Hawthorn did with relation to area schools. That information may be obtained by clicking on the second link of this agenda item.

We currently charge $75 for band and sports, but no other activities.

To review, estimated costs are listed below for band and sports:

<u>Estimated Band Costs for 1 District-Wide Program</u>

General Salary-$45,069

Benefits-$15,760

Stipend-$8100

Busses-$1000

Supply Budget-$2000

Cleaning Uniforms, Equipment Repair-$600

Total-$72,529

Student participation is estimated at the current numbers of 71 students at West and 134 students at Central for a total of 205 students in all who would receive the service.

Estimated Sports Costs for 1 District-Wide Program

Stipends-$44,100

Officials-$11,000

Busses-$3000

Conference and Tournament Fees-$2000

Athletic Director-$4200

Total-$64,300

Student participation is estimated at what Central's total participation was last year. For the teams that cut, the numbers will probably stay constant, but for the non-cuts sports, the numbers may rise. We felt it was better to stay with the more conservative estimate of what the numbers were for Central. They had 248 participants in all.

The partial list of activity fees that were previously agreed upon was pulled from the consent agenda last month for further discussion and are listed below:

Activity-

Scholastic Bowl $100

Choir $25

Drama $15

Newspaper, Game, Math Team, Student Council, Yearbook, Chess $10

Administration has discussed this topic and proposes that we keep the partial list above the same, and implement an activity fee of $100 per sport per season, and a band fee of $200 per year.