

## **RSU #63**

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- j. References:**
  - Cross References: Policy EFE-Competitive Food Sales-Sales of Food in Competition with the School Food Service Program**
  - JJIBC-Relations with Booster Groups**

### **k. Narrative:**

- I.** The Board of Directors (the Board) recognizes that fund-raising serves a need for both the community and the school doing the funding. All fund-raising should either directly or indirectly benefit our students, their parents/guardians, or families within the school district. Fund-raising should supplement the regular school budget and not replace it. The amount of fund-raising should be limited and utilized in such a manner that is benefits directly or indirectly.
- II.** All fund-raising activities must have the approval of the Principal of the school doing the fund-raising, and the Superintendent, and must have a positive impact for the students, the school, and the district communities.
- III.** Guidelines for the solicitation of funds by students, staff, and parents/guardians are as follows:
  - A.** Fund-raising activities must have minimal impact on learning time and be conducted as much as possible outside the class schedule.
  - B.** Fund-raising will be in good taste and appropriate for the district.
  - C.** Participation in fund-raising activities is voluntary. Contributions are accepted as an alternative.
  - D.** Door-to-door sales drives by students should be limited to known neighbors, friends, and relatives with adult supervision.
  - E.** Solicitation of funds from businesses or other outside agencies should be limited with appropriate recognition for donations extended.

- F.** Student clubs may charge minimal amounts of dues with Principal approval; however, no student may be excluded from participation in the club because of lack of payment.
  - G.** Ticket sales will be limited to school productions to help defray costs of the productions.
  - H.** School stores may be operated by students to perform a service for other students.
  - I.** Solicitation of advertisements will be limited to the school yearbook publication or special projects approved by the Principal at the school.
  - J.** No individual staff members, students, or parents/guardians will be allowed to run fund-raisers for the benefit of a limited few or just to raise money without a purpose.
  - K.** Only healthy food and drinks will be sold in vending machines.
  - L.** School suppers are primarily reserved for special benefits.
- IV.** Fund-raising projects are listed, but not limited to the following activities:
- A.** Yearbook,
  - B.** One major fund-raiser sale per school and coordinated by the Principals to avoid overlap,
  - C.** Eighth grade class trip,
  - D.** School fairs
  - E.** Book fairs,
  - F.** Sponsor-a-Child Thanksgiving and Christmas solicitation for the benefit of community families in need. One per year and done cooperatively by the district school(s).
  - G.** Hunters' Breakfast (except PTF functions),
  - H.** Concessions at co-curricular activities,
  - I.** Fund-raisers for national, overnight, out-of-state events or competitions at which one or more district students is participating, i.e., national Spelling Bee, National History project competitions, etc., and limited in scope and must have Board approval. May include a variety of activities, i.e., suppers, raffles, yard/auction

sales, food sales, etc.

- V. School districts are public institutions supported by tax dollars and the Board has a clear responsibility to protect students, staff, and their families from exploitation. Therefore, the Board emphasizes that fund-raising must be voluntary, limited, performed without pressure, and done in good taste.