GIFTS AND DONATIONS TO DISTRICT

The District may accept, own, manage, and dispose of any grant, gift, devise, bequest of money, real property or personal property. The Board may enter into an agreement for the receipt thereof upon such terms as shall be in the best interest of the District, and make such rules and regulations as it may deem best for the ownership, management, and control of the property.

The Board may authorize one or more private, nonprofit benevolent organizations, independently of the control of the school district, to accept and solicit donations, gifts, grants, or other private financial resources for the ultimate benefit of the educational or interscholastic activities of the school district. Funds collected pursuant to this authorization shall be offered to the District, and if accepted by the Board, the funds shall be placed in the general fund and used for:

- Expansion and enhancement of academic curricula,
- Support of interscholastic activities;
- Initiation or support of musical, forensic, civic, technologic, or similar extracurricular instruction or programs,
- Special trips or activities supporting core school activities,
- Other programs or activities of substantial benefit to the educational environment of the school district.

None of the funds received from gifts and donations may be used for capital acquisition, debt retirement, or ordinary expenditures or expenses.

The private, nonprofit benevolent organization may propose, advocate, or suggest to the board that the funds offered by the organization be utilized with regard to various curricula, activities, or other programs. However, the Board is not obligated to accept or expend any funds, nor is the organization obligated to provide any funds, unless both mutually agree as to terms and purposes.

During each school year the Board may authorize any portion of the admission fees collected at a single event in each activity recognized by the SD High School Activities Association to be used by a local organization that supports local interscholastic activities. The portion of the admission fees provided to the local organization shall be used for a local endowment fund that is dedicated to assisting the District with its educational needs. The local organization shall maintain complete records of the admission fees it receives, and shall annually provide a report to the Board detailing the specific use of the admission fees.

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