## **MEMO**

To:

Meredith Nadeau

From:

Jeff Shedd

Date:

February 8, 2012

Subject: Proposed Stipend Adjustment

I would like to propose a reallocation of stipend funds that will have zero impact on the school budget this year but will allow us to meet two priority needs.

This year's budget authorizes expenditure of a total of \$2,240 for three faculty advisors to the student government. Those three positions were new as of last year. I have held off nominating faculty members to occupy those positions so far this year, and student government is functioning without them.

While those positions have value, their priority is lower compared to two other needs. First, the position of NHS advisor is filled this year but there are no funds within the budget to pay the stipend that has existed for the past few years of \$1,250. There is a historical reason why this is the case, and I can explain the details to anybody who is interested.

Second, our Mock Trial team has, for the second year in a row, won the state championship and will shortly be preparing to compete in the nationals. This preparation will require the Mock Trial advisor to give several hundreds of hours to this work over the next three months, yet there is no source of compensation for any of this work within the school budget.

I would propose to reallocate the \$2,240 already in the budget for the student government advisory positions to meet these needs as follows:

- \$1,250 to the NHS advisor
- \$990 to the Mock Trial advisor for nationals preparation

Thank you.