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## RECOMMENDATION FOR GIRLS SOCCER

Since the spring of 2017, Oregon High School has fielded a girls' soccer team. This has been a cooperative effort between OCUSD #220 and the Oregon Soccer Organization. Initially, the cooperative agreement had the Oregon Soccer Organization self-fund and reimburse OCUSD for all costs associated with this program. After the 2019-20 season was cancelled due to COVID, the Board of Education agreed to pick up the costs of the coaches' salaries (with the OSO continuing to fund transportation and supplies.)

Beginning with the 2022-23 school year, I am recommending that OCUSD pick up all remaining costs associated with the operation of our girls' soccer program. Traditionally, these costs are broken into two categories – coaches' salaries and transportation/supplies. Historical costs for transportation/supplies for the most recent fully played seasons are shown as follows:

2017 - \$4,357.50 2018 - \$5,372.25 2019 - \$5,777.70

Coaches' salaries for the head coach and assistant hired for the upcoming 2021-22 spring season will be approximately \$9.340.00. As such, the estimated total costs for next year's 2022-23 would be approximately \$15,500 with a slight increase each subsequent year.

Since its' inception in the 2016-17 school year, this program has traditionally seen approximately 25 girls participate yearly. Additionally, the team won a Regional Championship in the 2018-19 season.

I believe that it is now appropriate given the sustained interest in girls' soccer by our students for the district to fund the program entirely moving forward.

Sincerely,

Michael Lawton Athletic Director

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