

DATE: August 10, 2026

TITLE: Donations

TYPE: Action

PRESENTER: Todd Lechtenberg, Executive Director of Finance & Operations

Background:

School districts receive donations from private individuals, public entities, and trusts on a regular basis. The district implemented School Board Policy 706 – Acceptance of Gifts to ensure compliance with statutory guidance.

Rationale:

The school board may receive, for the benefit of the school district, bequests, donations or gifts for any proper purpose. The school board shall have the sole authority to determine whether any gift or any precondition, condition or limitation on use included in a proposed gift furthers the interests of or benefits the school district and whether it should be accepted or rejected. Once accepted, a gift shall be the property of the school district unless otherwise provided in the agreed upon terms.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the following donations be accepted by the school board for the benefit of Austin Public School students.

DONOR	AMOUNT	RECIPIENT(S)	PURPOSE
9 families from the community	Program supplies from Amazon wish list	More than Pink Program	Supplies
Fraternal Order of Eagles	\$2,000	Marching Band	Expenses
Early Risers Kiwanis	\$2,500	4 Elementaries and CLC	Kids Closet Supplies
Fraternal Order of Eagles	\$2,000	4 Elementaries and CLC	Kids Closet Supplies
Hormel Finance Services	\$1,000	Boys Basketball	Expenses
Hormel Finance Services	\$500	Girls Basketball	Expenses
Hormel Finance Services	\$500	Robotics	Expenses