



SPG meeting minutes for November 5, 2024

1. Approval of minutes from May 7, 2024

* Minutes were approved

2. Review of applications submitted.

* English III Salem Field Trips application was approved by the committee. This field trip, which included 200 students plus staff, teaches a valuable lesson on how mass hysteria and peer pressure can lead to terrible consequences which parallel modern challenges to drug use. We recommend the Council approve this request for \$1500, which is only a portion of the total cost of the trip (\$8,745)

* WMS Stem Club: First Lego League Robotics Team was approved by the committee. This program is just starting up and will be looking for sponsors going forward. with the premise that students involved in healthy extracurricular programs have a better chance of avoiding situations that lead to substance abuse. They are asking for \$1,075 to get the program started. We recommend that the Council approve the request for \$1075.

3. Review fund balance as of 10/30/2024

* The fund balance is currently \$12,902.28. If these applications are approved, we will have a fund balance of \$10,327.28. That does not take into account the \$4500 that is allocated for scholarships next spring. A reminder that we agreed to keep a minimum balance in this account and collectively we previously decided that would be \$3,000.

4. Open discussion

* No discussion items

Thank you for your continued support of this program and see you on Tuesday, December 3, 2024 @ 1:00pm. Please put on your calendars and let me know if you are unable to attend. Phil will send out a ZOOM link.

Best,

Marge

