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TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

MEETING OF: September 12, 2017

TITLE: Re-Integration of Mexican American Studies Back into Tucson Unified School District - Requested by Board Members Adelita Grijalva and Kristel Foster

ITEM #: 9

Information:

Study:

Action: X

PURPOSE:

Now that the Board understands the ramifications of the Federal ruling in regards to ARS 15-112, this action item is to direct staff to communicate this same information to Dr. Hawley, the Fisher-Mendoza Plaintiffs and the Director of Culturally Relevant Pedagogy and Instruction so that curriculum design and professional development planning from this day forward is no longer hindered under the previous restrictions outlined in ARS 15-112

DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Multiple studies show that the former Mexican American Studies Department in Tucson Unified School District established a very successful ethnic studies program that raised student interest and achievement. We also know that currently our Culturally Relevant courses are engaging our learners and preparing students for academic success as well.

With this vote, the Board is assuring the community that whatever elements that existed previously under MAS, that have not been permitted under ARS 15-112, may now be incorporated to better reach the socio-cultural needs and academic success of our Tucson Unified School District students.

BOARD POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS:

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For amendments to current IGAs, Initiator provides original IGA recording number:

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Legal Advisor Signature (if applicable)

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS:

_____ District Budget
_____ State/Federal Funds

Budget Certification (for use by Office of Financial Services only):

Date
I certify that funds for this expenditure in the amount of $ are

Other

Budget Cost Budget Code

available and may be:
Authorized from current year budget
Authorized with School Board approval
Code: Fund:

INITIATOR(S):

Name	Title	Date
Adelita Grijalva and Kristel Foster, Governing Board Members		8-28-17

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