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Floyd County Board Of Education Issue Paper

Date: September 19, 2018

Action/Discussion Item: To allow BLES to assess a \$25 refundable Prom decorating/clean up fee to parents or guardians.

Applicable Statutes or Regulation: Bd. Policies 03.221, 03.21

Issue: Betsy Layne Elementary prom sponsor and administration is requesting that the Board of Education approve a \$25 refundable fee for 7th/8th grade Prom decorating and clean up. This fee would require a parent/guardian to help at least two evenings decorating or cleaning up before or after the 7th/8th grade prom. Any parent/guardian who fulfills their dates of helping clean or decorate will have their \$25 refunded to them. Those who do not complete the required decorating or clean up dates would forfeit the fee as a donation to the school. Of course, extenuating circumstances would always be a consideration.

Background: Over the last couple years, fewer and fewer parents/guardians have volunteered to help with the 7th/8th grade prom which students look forward to all year long. This has become a problem and instead of lowering our standards of what we do for OUR kids, we want to ensure that they continue to get an outstanding prom experience their 8th grade year.

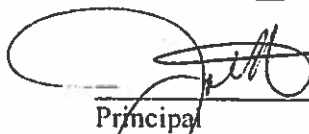
Budget/Financial Issues: According to Redbook regulations, all fees must be approved by the local Board of Education.

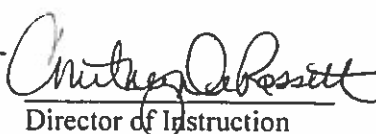
Alternative: Not to allow BLES to charge a refundable prom decorating/clean-up fee of \$25 a student to parents/guardians.

Recommended Action: To allow BLES to charge a refundable prom decorating/clean up fee of \$25 to parents/guardians.

Rationale: This fee would encourage more parents/guardians to be involved in decorating or cleaning up before or after prom to get their \$25 refunded back to them after prom.

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