To: Board of Education

From: Mary Beth Herndon

RE: Summer Program

Date: February 15, 2011

I am requesting the board’s permission to offer a summer enrichment program at the upper elementary. The program is called Club Invention and runs for four, half-days (date to be determined). The students will participate in three different one-hour modules each day. The program is designed for 20 to 60 students in grades one through six and fosters creativity, teamwork, inventive-thinking skills, and science literacy.

Through the Club Invention parent-paid tuition model, there is no cost to the host school. The Invent Now home office provides the curricula, materials, T-shirts for participants and staff, flyers, banners, training, staff compensation, and step-by-step instructions.

It is taught by local instructors so the success of this will also depend on the ability to recruit teachers for the program.

Cost to parents will be $99 if a parent registers before April 30th and then $119 after that date. I have talked to Mrs. Foltz is see if there are any funds that could be used to offset the cost of the program for parents and she has said we can use $500 of RLIS funds. If we could find other funds to help I think that would increase student participation.