



City of Green River
City Council Meeting
Agenda Documentation

Preparation Date: February 13, 2018	Department: Parks and Recreation
Meeting Date: February 20, 2018	Department Head: Brad Raney
	Presenter: Consent Agenda

Subject:

Approval to Apply for and Accept BOCES Grant Funds for the Summer Day Camp Program

Background/Alternatives:

The City of Green River Parks and Recreation Department offers a Summer Day Camp Program for K-6th grade participants and is looking to diversify the scope of activities in which they offer. Each day participants are engaged in activities that combine physical and educational components. For the 2018 Summer Camp curriculum we would like to include more STEM events and job related educational opportunities for the children. The entire philosophy of the program will be about self-directed learning and creating. The program strives to make activities fun, engaging and educational for children in the community.

Attachments:

Application for the BOCES Grant

Fiscal Impact:

The City of Green River Parks and Recreation Department will be requesting \$1,372.14 for the purchase of Brick LAB curriculum and photography/videography equipment for the Summer Day Camp program. We currently have \$4,210 in operations and maintenance to run the program, but would like to expand offerings.

Staff Impact:

This will enable staff to create more opportunities for the children in our programs.

Legal Review:

Legal review completed on...

Suggested Motion:

I move to approve the Parks and Recreation Department to apply for and accept, If awarded BOCES Funds, in the amount of \$1,372.14 for Summer Day Camp supplies.

DATE: January 31, 2018

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Submitted by: City of Green River Parks and Recreation Department

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Describe your project indicating which goal you will help achieve. Attach additional sheets if necessary. Provide specific information as to how this will help you achieve one of BOCES' goals. This grant form **must be used**. Explain how your project will be evaluated including a beginning and completion date. The following information must be included: name and title of applicant, definition of the problem area, and the purpose and impact of the proposed grant. This is not an area to supply a history of our organization: be very clear and concise when stating the purpose of the proposed grant. Our project is cohesive to the following BOCES goals:

Goal III. Sweetwater BOCES supports cooperative efforts to improve career/technical education in Sweetwater County.

A. Sweetwater BOCES may support curriculum efforts that will improve and enhance career/technical offerings to students in Sweetwater County.

Goal IV. Sweetwater BOCES will continue and expand an enrichment program for area children and adults with emphasis on math, science, humanities, and fine arts.

B. Sweetwater BOCES may offer programs in the summer and after school that expand and enrich student learning opportunities. SBOCES may sponsor programs such as guest presenters, visiting professors, or artists in residence that enhance curriculum and expand enrichment opportunities.

Green River Summer Day Camp Project:

The Green River Summer Day Camp program is in its 10th year, each year we strive to increase the educational components during camp in a manner that is both fun and educational. This year we are focusing on further implementation in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) activities as well as conducting a "Career Week" into our Summer Day Camp program. To enhance these components, additional supplies are required; it is for this purpose we are seeking funding assistance.

STEM activities are a great way to get our youth engaged in their education. STEM activities are very important in children's futures. Most of these activities not only teach a focused subject, but also teach problem solving skills in these areas. Problem solving is a skill sought by most STEM field jobs. We believe if we can teach children these skills while they are young they will be more successful as adults.

Throughout the summer the BrickLAB will be used to teach kids different core curriculums. They combine science, math, social studies, and literacy into each lesson. These lessons teach the children how to incorporate hands on thinking, and creativity. These blocks can be used multiple times for all ages participating in our program. They will help to create students with better critical thinking, creativity, and innovation.

Many children don't know what they want to do when they grow up and many not knowing the career options available to them or what a particular career entails. Teaching children about careers at a young age can better prepare them for their futures.

One of the careers being introduced is a photography/videography, an artistic career, in which they will learn proper techniques for using a camera and video recorder to get the results they are seeking. This will introduce them to careers within the art community.

We want to make our summer camp educational as well as fun for the children. We believe that learning shouldn't stop just because school is out, and that learning can be fun. The tools we are requesting can be used time and time again within our program.

Budget

Provide a narrative description of each budget item requested.

Budget: City of Green River Summer Day Camp	
Maximum Attendance: 60 Children per day	
BrickLAB Core: Ultimate Curriculum Set	\$849
Shipping	\$33.24
VTech Kidizoom DUO Camera	\$255.95
Digital Camera Camcorders Kimire HD Recorder	\$244.95
Total	\$1372.14

- The BrickLAB set includes enough material for 30 students which is the number of children that will be going through the curriculum per session.
- The shipping is for standard ground shipping to Green River, Wyoming.
- The VTech Kidizoom DUO Camera will be shared between 15 participants per session; 3 participants per camera.
- The Digital Camera Camcorders Kimire HD Recorder will also be shared between 15 participants per session.

(BOCES will fund only part time, temporary personnel)

Personnel: None

Materials (Be Specific): BrickLAB Core set

Equipment (Be Specific): Camera and videorecorders: We will be using computers within our camp site to view and edit photos and videos.

Matching:

Please include the total costs of the program for which you are requesting funding, including other funding sources

(How will you assist with the funding for this project.)

Dollar amount requested: \$1372

Total to fund this project: \$4210

Percentage of total project: 32.5%

Describe other sources of funding secured for this project (as of this application date).

The City of Green River will provide funds for staffing and any additional supplies needed.

Describe other sources of funding being sought for this project

Requested:

N/A

In Kind (i.e. provisions of space, equipment, publicity, volunteer time.)

This program will be held at one of the elementary schools in Green River. We will be using 4 rooms to accommodate for 60 children.

Cash (An actual cash expenditure from district or other source budget. This may include the time commitment of a paid employee.)

The City of Green River will cover all personnel wages.

In the event that BOCES approves this grant, the grantee agrees to use said granted funds **strictly and solely** for the purposes set forth in said Grant Funding Application submitted by the applicant to BOCES and approved in writing in the applicant's Grant Acceptance Form from BOCES. Applicant agrees to submit a written report to BOCES which will include

- The progress made toward achieving the objective for which the grant was made;
- The impact of the funds granted (how this grant has made a difference);
- When and how the funds were expended, including a breakdown of the use of the funds granted based upon the records of the applicant, detailing all expenditures made from such grant (including salaries, travel and supplies)

It is the responsibility of the applicant to file timely post grant reports, without reminder, to the BOCES office. Should the applicant not comply with the post grant reporting requirements, the applicant will be required to return the granted funds. Interim reports may be required if the grant time exceeds 6 months.

Funds must be handled in a way that funds from BOCES will be shown separately on the applicant's books. Expenditures made by the applicant in furtherance of the purposes specified in the grant application and agreement must be charged directly against the grant. The applicant will maintain records of such expenditures adequately to identify the use of the funds for the specified purposes. All grant reporting must be such that grant funding will be expended in one fiscal year **only**.

Approvals: A signature below indicates that the District CEO or designee is in support of this application. This does not guarantee funding.

_____	School District #1	Date
_____	School District #2	Date
_____	WWCC	Date
_____	Mayor, Pete Rust	Date

Awareness: A signature below indicates that the District CEO or designee is aware of this application, but is not necessarily in support of the application.

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_____	WWCC	Date
_____	Other	Date