

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Members of the State Board of Education

FROM: Janet Barresi

DATE: December 19, 2012

SUBJECT: Sponsorship/Donation Report and Recommendation

Pursuant to 70 O. S. §70 3-104(12), the State Board of Education is authorized to accept and provide for the administration of any land, money, buildings, gifts, donations or other things of value which may be offered or bequeathed *to the schools* under the supervision or control of said Board. In accordance with OSDE's sponsorship/donation acceptance policy, this means that *donations that will benefit public schools can be accepted by the State Board for use*. This includes but is not limited to donations of gifts or money to assist with providing professional development, training, seminars, etc. to schools and/or school staff.

Attached is a sponsorship/donation offer received from Magnuson Hotel and Meridian Convention Center. Magnuson would like to donate the balance remaining from the 21st Century Conference in 2011 and has indicated that the money be used for future OSDE's training and events.

OSDE recommendation: We believe funds used for professional development events and training will benefit the school districts and therefore recommend accepting the offer.

JB:ms
Attachment