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Memorandum Date: October 20, 2006

Order Date: November 8, 2006

TO:

Board of County Commissioners

DEPARTMENT:

Health & Human Services

PRESENTED BY:

Rob Rockstroh

AGENDA ITEM TITLE:

ORDER /_______ IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING AN AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$96,000 FOR THE PERIOD FROM JULY 1, 2006 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2007 WITH LANE EDUCATION SERVICE DISTRICT INCREASING THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT TO \$192,000 FOR FISCAL PERIOD JULY 1, 2005 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2007 FOR PREVENTION SERVICES IN

LANE COUNTY SCHOOLS.

I. MOTION

Order /_____ In the Matter of Approving an Amendment in the Amount of \$96,000 for the Period from July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007 with Lane Education Service District Increasing the Total Amount of the Intergovernmental Agreement to \$192,000 for Fiscal Period July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2007 for Prevention Services in Lane County Schools.

II. <u>DISCUSSION</u>

A. <u>Background / Analysis</u>

This item requires board approval of an amendment extending an intergovernmental agreement that is a sub-grant funded by the state Department of Human Services; and, it requests board action to authorize the county administrator to sign the amendment.

On November 10, 2004 the board approved a "Drug-Free Schools" grant application to the Oregon Department of Human Services Office of Mental Health and Addiction Services (board order 04-11-10-8). The grant was to fund Reconnecting Youth, a highly effective school-based prevention program that targets at-risk youth to prevent illegal drug use and violence. The total amount of the grant application was \$200,000 over a two-year period beginning July 1, 2005. The grant application provided \$4,000 per year for grant administration with the remaining \$96,000 to be subcontracted. The

Reconnecting Youth project was to be implemented with 240 high-risk youth in the Martin Luther King Jr. Alternative School as well as two other schools in rural Lane County locations.

Lane County's grant application was successful and Amendment #4 to our 2005-07 Intergovernmental Agreement for the Financing of Mental Health, Developmental Disability, and Addiction Services from the Oregon Department of Human Services (DHS) added \$100,000 for the 2005-06 fiscal year to support the Reconnecting Youth project.

The funds were appropriated in Supplemental Budget #I on December 14, 2005 (BO 05-12-14-3). The amendment was within the delegated signature authority of the county administrator and he signed acceptance of the document on October 10, 2005. A portion of these funds, \$96,000, were subcontracted through an intergovernmental agreement to the Lane Education Service District (Lane ESD) and used to implement the Reconnecting Youth curriculum in three schools; Martin Luther King Jr. Alternative School, Elmira High School and Siuslaw High School during the 2005-06 school year. Because the funds went to another governmental entity, no competitive selection process was necessary.

On July 25, 2006, Amendment #36 to our Agreement with DHS was signed by the county administrator. This amendment adds the second year of funding from the grant. The \$100,000 will provide for continuation of the Reconnecting Youth project. These funds will be appropriated to the 2006-07 fiscal year in Supplemental Budget #I on December 13, 2006.

Reconnecting Youth (RY) uses a partnership model involving peers, school personnel and parents to deliver interventions that address the three central program goals:

- 1. Decreased drug involvement
- 2. Increased school performance
- 3. Decreased emotional distress.

Students work toward these goals by participating in a semester-long high school class that involves skills training in the context of a positive peer culture. RY students learn, practice and apply self-esteem enhancement strategies, decision-making skills, personal control strategies and interpersonal communication techniques.

Lane ESD has effectively implemented the <u>Reconnecting Youth</u> project in the three schools and has agreed to continue this program through the 2006-07 school year. The 2005-06 intergovernmental agreement with Lane ESD totals \$96,000. Amendment #1 will add an additional \$96,000 increasing the total funding in the agreement to \$192,000. This total is above the \$100,000 limitation of delegated county administrator signature authority. Therefore, the board must act to approve the amendment and authorize the county administrator to sign it.

B. Recommendation

The Department of Health & Human Services recommends that the Board of County Commissioners approve the motion stated above. This action will support continued implementation of evidence-based "Drug Free Schools" prevention programming in three Lane County schools by authorizing the county administrator to sign an intergovernmental agreement amendment with Lane Education Service District to fund continuation of the Reconnecting Youth prevention program at Elmira High School, Martin Luther King Junior High School and Siuslaw High School during the 2006-07 school year.

III. ATTACHMENTS

Board Order

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THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, LANE COUNTY, OREGON

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WHEREAS, Lane County has accepted the 2005-07 Intergovernmental Agreement for the Financing of Community Mental Health, Developmental Disability and Addiction Services with the Oregon Department of Human Services; and

WHEREAS, the state has forwarded Amendment #36 to that agreement which funds prevention services in accord with the 2005-07 Lane County Mental Health and Addictions Implementation Plan; and,

WHEREAS, Lane Education Services District (ESD) holds an intergovernmental agreement with Lane County which funded Reconnecting Youth the designated evidence-based "Drug Free Schools" prevention services for the 2005-06 fiscal year and an amendment to the agreement must be enacted to fund the program for the 2006-07 fiscal year; and,

WHEREAS, the funding for the services for the 2006-07 fiscal year is \$96,000 which will increase the total funding in the intergovernmental agreement with Lane ESD to \$192,000; and,

WHEREAS, the dollar amount exceeds the signatory authority of the county administrator; and,

WHEREAS, Lane Manual Chapter 21 sets forth policy regarding award of contracts for services and policy regarding signatory authority of the County Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the funds to support the services will be appropriated in the first supplemental to the 2006-07 budget.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the motion to sign an intergovernmental agreement amendment in the amount of \$96,000 with Lane Education Service District for the period from July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007, thus increasing the total amount of funding in the agreement to \$192,000 for the period July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2007 and, authorize the County Administrator to sign the amendment.

DATED this 8th day of November, 2006.

Bill Dwyer, Chair Lane County Board Of Commissioners