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## Memorandum

**Date:** September 19, 2014  
**To:** Each Director  
**From:** McKenzie Barry, Environmental Education Specialist  
Mike Mascoe, Public Information Specialist  
**Subject:** I&E Subcommittee Meeting

The Information and Education Subcommittee met Wednesday, September 17, 2014 at 6:15 PM at the NRD office. Subcommittee members present were Ron Case (Chair), Larry Hall, Don Jacobson, David Potter, and Larry Ruth. Others present included Glenn Johnson, Paul Zillig, McKenzie Barry, Adam Sutton and Mike Mascoe all of the NRD staff.

Chair Case called the meeting to order. Barry reviewed the NRD's current Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the City of Lincoln for the NRD's cost-sharing of the fee charged school students visiting the Pioneers Park Nature Center. Each year, the NRD sponsors approximately 8,500 students. Each student receives materials explaining the NRD's sponsorship. Barry explained the proposed renewal of the MOU increases the NRD's assistance from \$20,000 annually up to \$22,000, to accommodate a rate increase by the City and the increase is provided for in the current budget. **It was moved by Stevens, seconded by Hall and unanimously approved to recommend the Board of Directors approve the NRD/City of Lincoln Pioneers Park Nature Center School Tour Program Memorandum of Understanding and authorize the NRD General Manager to approve additional one year terms as per the MOU, dependent upon funds available in the NRD Budget.**

Barry then outlined an Outdoor Classroom Grant request from Fredstrom Elementary School, 5700 NW 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln. The grant would renovate an existing outdoor classroom area on the school grounds, created in the 1990s, and would include prairie and butterfly garden areas. The school's Garden Club and volunteers would complete the renovation this fall. **It was moved by Potter, seconded by Samuelson and unanimously approved to recommend the Board of Directors approve an Outdoor Classroom Grant request by Fredstrom Elementary School in the amount of \$1,200.**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM.

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