BERMUDIAN SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PROPERTY

TITLE: GIFTS, GRANTS, DONATIONS

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	702. GIFTS, GRANTS, DONATIONS
1. Purpose	The Board recognizes that individuals, businesses and community organizations may wish to contribute supplies and equipment to enhance or extend the programs in the schools. While it is not the intent of the Board to discourage either individual or organizational interest in the school, clearly defined Board policy regarding contributions may prevent misunderstanding.
2. Authority SC 216	The Board has the authority to accept gifts and donations made to the school district or to any district school. It shall be the policy of the Board to exercise appropriate control in respect to receiving unsolicited contributions to the district or its schools.
SC 216	The Board reserves the right to refuse to accept any gift that does not contribute to achievement of district goals or when such ownership would adversely affect the district.
SC 216	Any gift accepted by the Board or its designee shall become district property, may not be returned without Board approval, and is subject to the same controls and regulations as are other district properties.
	Contributions from individuals or organizations shall be presented to the district or an individual school, rather than to a school employee. Such contributions should be designated to causes or purposes for which public funds cannot be expended.
Pol. 322, 4	Students and their parents/guardians shall be discouraged from the presentation of gifts to district employees.
	Individuals or organizations desiring to contribute supplies or equipment shall consult with school officials regarding the acceptability of such contributions, in advance of soliciting funds or making budgetary appropriations.
	Contributions of equipment or services that may involve installation or major costs for maintenance or initial or continuing financial commitments from district funds shall be presented to the Superintendent's office for Board consideration and approval.

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SC 216 SC 216 Pol. 706	The purchase of equipment on a matching fund basis (part of cost provided by an individual or organization and part by the Board from public funds) shall not be encouraged. It is important that the district be protected from becoming repositories for obsolete, unusable equipment that can only be classified as liabilities for the district. The Board shall be responsible for the maintenance of any gift it accepts, unless otherwise stipulated. The Board shall make every effort to honor the intent of the donor in the use of the gift, but it reserves the right to utilize any gift in the best interests of the district's educational program. In no case shall acceptance of a gift be considered an endorsement by the Board of a commercial product, business enterprise, or institution of learning. All gifts shall be recorded in the appropriate inventory listing and property records.
3. Delegation of Responsibility	 The Superintendent or designee shall: Counsel potential donors on appropriateness of gifts. Encourage individuals and organizations considering a contribution to consult with the principal or Superintendent before appropriating funds. Acknowledge the receipt and value of any gift accepted by the school district.
School Code 216 Board Policy 706	