

2015 DRAFTING REQUEST

Bill

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Pre Topic:

No specific pre topic given

Topic:

Robotics league competition (grants for)

Instructions:

See attached

Drafting History:

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Kuczenski, Tracy

From: Zapf, Joe
Sent: Tuesday, December 08, 2015 12:32 PM
To: Kuczenski, Tracy
Subject: FW: Robotics League Drafting Instructions

Thanks Tracy.

We're wanting to cap the program at \$500,000. 1 grant of \$3,000 per high school. The report they reference must be sent to the standing Education committees of each house. The grant of \$3,000 will be open to all robotics competitions (not just FIRST). There will be no creation of a board, DPI will be soliciting the grant applications in the spring, reviewing the applications, and administering the approved grants in the fall. Solicitations of the grants will happen in the Spring so teams have time over the summer to: solidify the team, raise funds, start planning for competitions in the fall when school is back in. Teams would not be eligible to receive the funds

Thanks again for your availability tomorrow morning at 9am.

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From: Pettack, Dee DPI [mailto:Dee.Pettack@dpi.wi.gov]
Sent: Friday, December 04, 2015 1:25 PM
To: Zapf, Joe <Joe.Zapf@legis.wisconsin.gov>
Subject: Robotics League Drafting Instructions

Dear Joe:

After discussing this issue and looking at how other grants are run, I think it might be cleaner if you just request a new draft from LRB with the drafting instructions provided below. After going back and forth looking at what different leagues, kits, and competitions cost and the variety of them across our state, we thought going very simple and not being over prescriptive would be the best route to take to encourage schools utilizing any type of league to apply.

I have provided you with a sample rubric and application that we use for Stem Grants – something similar would be created for the Robotics League Grant, once your bill was signed into law.



Stem Grant
Application .doc



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Decision Points

- You will need to decide the total amount of the appropriation, given that you need to have matching funds to apply - you may want to decide the total appropriation amount and look how that divides out at levels of \$5,000, \$7,500, \$10,000.
- An additional decision point is if you want to restrict the grants to one per high school. If so, I would recommend inserting the following sentence after the (*) below in the drafting instructions. ***DPI may not award more than one grant per high school.**

- Finally, below requires DPI to annually publish a list of Robotics League Grant Recipients on its website, I have attached a press release that illustrates how we normally do that, using STEM as an example again.
http://dpi.wi.gov/sites/default/files/imce/stem/pdf/dpinr2014_79%20stem%20grant%20news%20release%20w%20list.pdf

You could also require a report be submitted to the Joint Finance Committee, the Standing Education Committees of each house, or the Governor. To do so you would insert the following after the (+): and electronically submit a report to the (choose one of above).

Drafting Instructions for new draft:

Create an appropriation of \$_____ to be used annually to provide grants to High School Robotics Leagues. Require DPI to administer a grant program to support the creation and growth of Robotics Leagues in grades 9-12 statewide. Each grant may not exceed \$_____ and must have matching funds in order to be eligible. (*) Grants shall be awarded in the fall annually.

Eligible Grant Expenditures include but are not limited to Coaching, Equipment/Material, and Competition Expenses. Following the first award of the grant, DPI shall annually publish a list of Robotics League Grant Recipients on its website (+).

Thanks,

Dee

December 9, 2015

Roberts League - No board but keep League

Grant program in DPI grows up to _____

→ focus on 8-12 grades

→ not just FIRST (any other competition)

→ but do require that the organization be
nonstock / nonprofit

→ One grant per high school (so prohibit DPI from
awarding more)

→ require DPI to publish list of high schools that
have received awards (annually)

→ standing ed commits of each house receive
report at end of 2016-17 school year

use STEM grant (report) as model

→ for 2016-17 year we submit, require

→ allowable expenses:

competition fees / travel to competitions

start-up materials kit

pay for water

* have to use an ethics program

→ all schools: have schooling

private

charter

and report separately to team

* Grant goes to team; doesn't matter
who is on the team or whether

multiple schools are represented on the team

modify sub (2) as agency board

p. 3 of LRB 358: start Dispositions on 4/1/16 (15-16 yr)

to give schools time to recruit / fundraise / fill at appreciation

30 day application window in future due ~~to~~

* Give DPI authority to create applications for grants, not by
NLE

~~30~~

→ and set date applications are due (leave placeholder)

not by NLE



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PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

12/16
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1 AN ACT ...; relating to: grants for participation in robotics competitions and
2 making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill authorizes the Department of Public Instruction to award grants to teams of pupils in the 8th through 12th grades in the 2016-17 and 2017-18 school years. The grants are to be used to facilitate participation in robotics competitions.

For further information see the **state** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

3 SECTION 1. 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert
4 the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

2015-16

2016-17

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2 **20.255 Public instruction, department of**

3 (2) AIDS FOR LOCAL EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING

4 (dr) Robotics league participation

5 grants GPR A -0- 500,000

6 **SECTION 2.** 20.255 (2) (dr) of the statutes is created to read:

7 20.255 (2) (dr) *Robotics league participation grants*. The amounts in the
8 schedule for grants to robotics teams under s. 115.45.

9 **SECTION 3.** 115.45 of the statutes is created to read:

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11 section:

12 (a) "Allowable expenses" includes fees, kits, and supplies required to
13 participate in a robotics competition, travel expenses to a robotics competition for
14 eligible team members, and a stipend for the mentor of an eligible team.

****NOTE: Does this accomplish your intent?

15 (b) "Eligible team" means a robotics competition team consisting of pupils in
16 any of the grades 8 through 12 and at least one mentor.

****NOTE: When we met to discuss this draft, you indicated that the grant program would focus on pupils in the 8th through 12th grades. The 8th grade is the last grade in middle school; frequently (if not always), 8th graders attend schools that are separated from high schools. Is it your intent that some middle school pupils would be permitted to participate on teams participating in high school competitions? Or should teams be limited to pupils in the high school grades?

17 (c) "Robotics competition" means a competition that requires participating
18 teams to design, construct, program, and operate robots and that is sponsored by a
19 nonstock, nonprofit corporation, described under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal
20 Revenue Code and exempt from taxation under section 501 (a) of the Internal

1 Revenue Code, having as one of its organizational purposes encouraging young
2 people to develop an interest in science, engineering, technology, and math.

3 (2) (a) No later than April 1, 2016, and no later than April 1, 2017, the
4 department shall notify school boards, operators of charter schools under s. 118.40
5 (2r) and (2x), and administrators of home-based private educational programs^s that
6 applications for grants under this section will be accepted from eligible teams
7 through a date set forth in the notice. The department shall include in the notice a
8 statement that applicants must raise matching funds equal to at least
9 [PLACEHOLDER] percent to receive a grant under this section.

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11 department shall award a grant in the amount of \$3,000 to eligible teams selected
12 from the applicants under par. (b).^{ea} Grant funds awarded under this section may be
13 applied only towards allowable expenses.

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15 from any one school.

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17 recipient provides matching funds equal to at least [PLACEHOLDER] percent of the
18 amount of the grant.

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20 recipients and submit to the appropriate standing committees of the legislature
21 under s. 13.172 (3) a report on the program under this section.

22 (END)



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Basford, Sarah

From: Zapf, Joe
Sent: Wednesday, January 06, 2016 9:20 AM
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Please Jacket LRB -4048/1 for the ASSEMBLY.