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Parent-Oriented Funding assists local children's programs

EUSTIS – The Eustis City Commission heard presentations from five local children's programs who applied for funding assistance through the City's Parent-Oriented Funding program during the regular City Commission Meeting on March 5, 2009. City Commissioners discussed and made the difficult decision on how to best distribute available funds, budgeted at \$40,000, to these organizations that provide Eustis children with recreational programs.

The amount provided to each organization was based on the number of Eustis children served, the amount of funding received from other sources, and the amount of the initial request to the City.

The consensus of the Eustis City Commission was to distribute the \$40,000 as follows:

- \$13,139 - Eustis Jr. Panther Football League
- \$11,182 - Eustis Little League, Inc.
- \$4,808 - LAKE Association for Kids
- \$3,746 - Eustis Middle School Band Boosters
- \$2,124 - Tri-City Ballers
- \$5,000 will be held in contingency for Eustis teams that have an opportunity to participate in regional or state tournaments.

Eustis Parent-Oriented Funding is intended to provide assistance to non-profit, parent-oriented recreation organizations that operate within the city and provide activities and services to Eustis youth. Only those programs that include Eustis youth are eligible to participate in this program and amounts awarded are intended to help pay for the Eustis children. In order to compete for these funds, an organization must complete a formal application and provide all accompanying information. The grant submission timeframe is normally early November through December.

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