BOARD AGENDA ITEM

July 14, 2015

SUBJECT:

FY16 Application for Title II, Part A of No Child Left Behind

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The State Department of Education has projected an allocation of \$903,550.90 to Aiken County Public School District for Title II, Part A, "Preparing, Training, and Recruiting High Quality Teachers and Principals." The purpose of Title II is to increase student academic achievement through strategies such as improving teacher and principal quality while also increasing the number of highly qualified teachers in the classroom and highly qualified principals and assistant principals in schools.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION:

The school district conducted an annual needs assessment with the assistance of the Title II Constituency Committee (a group of district staff, school administrators, teachers, private and charter school representatives, and community members) to examine all activities and professional development that can help ensure a highly qualified teaching force.

The Title II FY16 project includes continuing the funding of recruitment, retention and advancement efforts to ensure the district has a highly qualified teaching force; administrator and teacher professional development specifically designed to improve instructional strategies; and seven teachers to reduce first grade class sizes in the highest poverty elementary schools.

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the submission of the Title II application to the State Department of Education, adjustments to the FY2016 budget to reflect authorized expenditures and implementation of the program.

ATTACHMENT:

Summary of the Proposed Budget

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Title II Budget Summary for 2015-2016

Activity #	Salaries	Fringe Benefits	Purchased Services	Supplies and Materials	Sub Totals
Class Size Reduction	354,900.00	166,175.00			521,075.00
Administrator Professional Development			37,693.00	1,820.00	39,513.00
Technology Professional Development	13,200.00	3,174.00	22,500.00	2,800.00	41,674.00
SC State Standards / Professional Development	34,408.00	8,273.00			42,681.00
Professional Development Through Conferences/Workshops/ Contracted Courses	1,750.00	421.00	121,178.90	6,000.00	129,349.90
Support for Teachers to Reach Highly Qualified Status			20,000.00		20,000.00
Induction and Mentor Program	40,000.00	9,616.00		1,000.00	50,616.00
Teacher Recruitment			10,200.00		10,200.00
Private School Equitable Services			8,415.00		8,415.00
				Indirect Costs	40,027.00
				Total	903,550.90

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