

BOARD AGENDA ITEM

MARCH 26, 2024

SUBJECT:

Appointment to Represent ACPSD for First Steps Aiken County Partnership Board

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

On June 19, 2023, the First Steps Reorganization Act, ACT No 81. Went into effect upon Governor's McMaster's signature. A section of this law amended Section 59-152-60 of the S.C. Code outlines the structure of First Steps local partnership board.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION:

The new law states that each public school district located with a particular First Steps Partnership coverage area appoints one individual to serve as a member of the partnership board.

RECOMMENDATION:

Appoint Ms. Lauren Enter, Coordinator of Elementary Special Programs to serve on the Aiken County First Steps board.

PREPARED BY:

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February 26, 2024

Mr. Cameron Nuessle, Chairman
Aiken County Public School District Board of Trustees
1000 Brookhaven Drive
Aiken, SC 29803

Dear Honorable Nuessle and Aiken County Public School Board Members,

We write to bring your attention to a recently enacted law which creates a new appointment under the school board's purview. On June 19, 2023, the First Steps Reauthorization Act, [Act No. 81](#), went into effect upon Governor McMaster's signature. A section of this law amended Section 59-152-60 of the S.C. Code, which outlines the structure of First Steps local partnership boards. Previously, each of the school districts in the partnership coverage area designated an employee to serve as a member of the local partnership board. The new law states that each public school district board located within a particular First Steps Partnership coverage area shall appoint one individual to serve as a member of the partnership board.

To assist you during this transition, I have attached a recommendation from Ms. Beth Taylor for the appointment of **Ms. Lauren Enter, Coordinator of Elementary Special Programs**, who has indicated her willingness to serve on the Aiken County First Steps board.

During this transition, please note that we are here as a resource to you. If you would like to learn more about Aiken County First Steps, please do not hesitate to reach out. Information can also be found on our website, at www.aikencountyfirststeps.org

Additionally, should the board choose to appoint this individual to this position, we ask that you please notify us of your selection so we may reach out and welcome the new member. If you have any questions, please contact me by calling 803-306-1343 or (803)-439-5317.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "MLNash", is written over the word "Sincerely,".

Marcia L. Nash
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Aiken County First Steps

1 Member- Aiken County Public School District

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