BOARD AGENDA ITEM June 13, 2017

SUBJECT:

Request from an international travel and exchange program seeking approval to place foreign exchange students in district schools

BACKGROUND:

School Board Policy JFABB establishes guidelines for the admission of exchange students to the School District of Aiken County. Prior to a request for placement of a specific student, the "sponsoring organization must petition the Board for recognition/approval and to obtain the Board's willingness to participate in the organization's program of student exchange."

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION:

Council for Educational Travel USA (CETUSA) is fully accredited by the Council on Standards for International Educational Travel (CSIET). The Chief Administration Officer has been in communication with the South Carolina representatives of the organization and has contacted references. CETUSA has identified a family in Aiken who would like to host a foreign exchange student starting in the fall of 2017.

RECOMMENDATION:

Recognize CETUSA as eligible to request placements of foreign exchange students in Aiken district schools.

ATTACHMENT:

Names and contact information of the sponsoring organization CETUSA Certificate of Acceptance

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CERTIFICATE of ACCEPTANCE

This is to certify that the Council on Standards for International Educational Travel has completed its review of applications for listing in the 2017-2018 Advisory List for International Educational Travel & Exchange Programs.

Council for Educational Travel USA (CETUSA)

is hereby granted a Full J-1 Inbound Listing status in the

2017-2018 edition of the Advisory List.

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