

BOARD AGENDA ITEM

March 25, 2014

SUBJECT:

Funding Flexibility for the Quarter Ending March 31, 2014

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Provisos 1.32, 1.37 and 1A.17 provide school districts and special schools funding flexibility for 2013 – 2014. Among the requirements, each district's board and superintendent must certify the specific flexibility actions taken. The certification must be in writing, signed by the board chairman and superintendent, and delivered electronically to the State Superintendent of Education. An electronic copy must be forwarded, through the SC Department of Education, to the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, the Chairman of the Senate Education Committee, the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, and the Chairman of the House Education and Public Works Committee.

Furthermore, the certification must be presented publicly at a regularly called school board meeting and be posted on each district's website.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION:

The State Department of Education (SCDE) provided a funding flexibility form to be used by school districts for reporting purposes. The District's information for the period ending March 31, 2014, is presented in the required format.

The Aid to Districts carryover from the 2012-13 school year will be flexed to the General Fund.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the funding flexibility form for the quarter ending March 25, 2014.

ATTACHMENT:

Funding flexibility form for the quarter ending March 25, 2014.

PREPARED BY:

M. O. Traxler III

District Name: AIKEN

SCDE Receipt: _____

Financial Flexibility (provide additional forms as necessary)

Quarter: 1 () 2 () 3 (X) 4 ()

Transfer From (Include Program name and sub-fund *) (Identify any prior year carryover amounts)	Current Allocation (include carryover amounts here)	Transfer Amount (up to 100%)	Transfer to (Include Program name and sub-fund)
397 Aid to Districts Carryover	1,038,668.00	356,101.00	100 General Fund

* The following appropriations are excluded from this flexibility: Teacher Salary Supplement/Fringe (3550/3555), National Board Certification (3532) Teacher Supply (3577), Teacher of the Year (3533), Aid to Districts Special Ed (3585) and Palmetto Priority (3571). Districts should use judicious caution when transferring any funds received through a competitive grant process

Staffing Flexibility/Maximizing Resources (provide additional information as necessary)

(1) Our district suspended staffing ratios in the following areas:	None
(2) Our district delayed the following number of teacher contracts:	None
(3) The following number of contracts were not renewed	None
(4) Our district negotiated the following number of retiree salaries	9 to date
(5) Our district furloughed teachers the following number of days	None
(6) Our district furloughed administrators the following number of days	None
(7) Our district has suspended the following noninstructional/nonessential programs for the 2013-14 school year.	Suspended drivers education and continuation of cuts/reductions dating to 2009-10 that include, but are not limited to, elimination of International Baccalaureate program, not funding full-time nursing at middle and high schools, elimination of athletic playoff supplements, no increase in athletic/extracurricular supplements since 2009-10, etc.

District Approval: The signatures below certify that this action was approved at a regularly scheduled school board meeting.

Board Chair Signature: _____	Date: March 25, 2014
Superintendent Signature: _____	Date: March 25, 2014
Completed by: (please print) <u>M. O. "Tray" Traxler III</u>	Date: March 25, 2014
Contact Phone No: <u>803-641-2437</u>	