

BOARD AGENDA ITEM

September 29, 2015

SUBJECT:

Funding Flexibility for the Quarter Ending September 30, 2015

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Under Joint Resolutions H. 4905, H. 4595 and Provisos 1.28, 1.33 and 1A.15 for Fiscal Year 2015-2016, all school districts and special schools of this State may transfer and expend funds "to ensure the delivery of academic and arts instruction to students." 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 sent to the SC Department of Education which will subsequently forward the information 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 quarter and year ending June 30, 2016, is presented in the required format.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the funding flexibility form for the quarter ending September 30, 2015

ATTACHMENT:

Funding flexibility form for the quarter ending September 30, 2015

PREPARED BY:

M. O. Traxler III

District Name: AIKEN

SCDE Receipt: _____

Financial Flexibility (provide additional forms as necessary)

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

None this quarter.			

The appropriations excluded from this flexibility are listed in the Flexibility/Furlough/Expenditure Reporting Procedures #5. 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:

A small number of high school teachers have student loads slightly in excess of 150 students.

(2) Our district delayed the following number of teacher contracts:

None

(3) The following number of contracts were not renewed

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(4) Our district negotiated the following number of retiree salaries

None. The District no longer negotiates salaries for retirees.

(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 2015-16 school year.

Continuation of several costs reductions dating back to 2009-10 which include but are not limited to elimination of programs, suspension of the Drivers Ed program, elimination of athletic playoff supplements, freezing of athletics and extracurricular supplements.

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

Board Chair Signature: _____

Date: September 30, 2015

Superintendent Signature: _____

Date: September 30, 2015

Completed by: (please print) M. O. "Tray" Traxler III

Date: September 30, 2015

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