OFFICE OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items Consent Agenda May 21, 2015

OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION OFFICE OF STUDENT ASSESSMENT

L. Approval to award discretionary grants to local school districts for the purpose of contracting with Educators in Residence (EIR) to provide technical assistance and training

<u>Purpose</u>: To provide practitioner expertise, technical assistance, and support to educators across the state in the areas of:

- Supporting school districts that are under conservatorship with implementation
 of Federal and State IDEA regulations, providing guidance in the areas of
 programming for students with disabilities, assisting with the fiscal
 requirements, and conducting program monitoring.
- Supporting the School-wide Integrated Framework for Transformation (SWIFT) implementation in designated school districts to train educators on academic and behavioral supports designed to positively transform learning outcomes for all students.
- Supporting the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and No Child Left Behind (NCLB) by monitoring and providing guidance in the areas of Alternate Assessments for English Language Arts (ELA), Mathematics for Grades 3-8, Science for Grades 5 & 8 and High School Algebra I, English II and Biology for Students with Significant Cognitive Disabilities.

Discretionary grants will be awarded to school districts in support of the Educator in Residence program through which MDE services to local school districts will be enhanced.

Scope of Grant:

• Grant Period: July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016

Maximum Award Amount: \$327,664

(Amounts per district attached)

Method of Award: Discretionary

Funding Source: State and Federal funds

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION Discretionary Grant Awards to Districts for Educator in Residence (EIR) Program 2015-2016 School Year

Office	District	Number of EIRs	Title	Salary	Fringe	Total
Special Education	Sunflower County Consolidated School District	1	Educator in Residence	\$90,000	\$27,000	\$117,000
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Total Special Education		2		\$180,000	\$54,000	\$234,000
Student Assessment	Nettleton School District	1	Educator in Residence	\$70,416	\$23,248	\$93,664
Total Student Assessment		1		\$70,416	\$23,248	\$93,664
Total Award Amount		3		\$250,416	\$77,248	\$327,664

The Mississippi Department of Education reserves the right to negotiate grant award amounts dependent upon appropriations. Grant awards will not exceed the above amounts.