OFFICE OF INSTRUCTIONAL ENHANCEMENT AND INTERNAL OPERATIONS Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items May 17-18, 2012

OFFICE OF HEALTHY SCHOOLS AND CHILD NUTRITION

C. <u>Approval to renew contracts for distribution of bread and produce products to</u> <u>local organizations in the State Food Purchasing Program</u>

> Awarded Vendor: Flowers Baking Company Tuscaloosa, Alabama

> > IBC Sales Corporation Monroe, Louisiana

J&J Produce Hattiesburg, Mississippi

Merchants Company Hattiesburg, Mississippi

<u>Scope of Project</u>: Under the State Food Purchasing Program (Mississippi State Law 37-11-7{3} and State Board Policy 2008), sealed, competitive bids were solicited for distribution of bread and produce items on behalf of participating organizations. Contracts were awarded to the lowest and most responsive bidder. Contracts were originally issued August 1, 2011, for one year with an optional one-year renewal period. We are requesting to renew these contracts for the one-year period. The contracted distributors will deliver the bread and produce products to participating Child Nutrition programs in all seven regions of the State. Payment will be made directly to the contracted distributor by the local organizations.

Scope of Contract:

•	Term of Contract Renewal:	August 1, 2011 - July 31, 2013
•	Cost of Current Contract Renewal:	No MDE funds will be expended
•	Method of Award:	Invitation for Bids

Recommendation: Approval