

OFFICE OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
October 16-17, 2014

OFFICE OF ELEMENTARY EDUCATION (K-5)

17. Approval to modify contract with Jill Dent to support state and local early childhood education efforts

Awarded Vendor: Jill Dent
Jackson, Mississippi

Scope of Project: The purpose of this modification is to increase funds in personal services and travel to allow the contractor to assist the Mississippi Department of Education with early childhood education efforts and early literacy efforts, including but not limited to the following projects:

- monitoring early learning collaboratives;
- providing support to early learning collaboratives related to the Kindergarten Readiness Assessment;
- reviewing and developing resources for pre-kindergarten teachers and providers;
- editing Early Learning Teaching Strategies for Classrooms Serving Three-Year-Old and Four-Year-Old Children;
- revising Early Learning Guidelines for Classrooms Serving Three-Year-Old and Four-Year-Old Children; and
- developing, delivering, and facilitating training for early childhood educators.

The Contractor is not a former Department employee or related to any Department employee. The Contractor is not a PERS retiree.

Scope of Contract:

- Term of Contract: July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015
- Cost of Current Contract: \$ 42,000
- Modification Increase: \$ 38,000
- Total Cost of Modified Contract: \$ 80,000
- Method of Award: Pool of Service Providers

Funding Source: State funds

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

Contractor Evaluation - C&I

Performance Rating System

Excellent - all facets of the component were met

Good - 80% of facets of the component were met

Neutral - 60% of the facets of the components were met

Fair - 40% of the facets of the component were met

Poor - 20% or less of the facets of the component were met

1. Contractor Name:

Jill Dent

2. Contract Start / End Dates:

March 2014 - June 2014

3. Contracted Duties:

early childhood education support

4. Completion of Contracted Duties:

Excellent (2 points)

5. Timeliness of Delivery:

Excellent (2 points)

6. Responsiveness to Requests:

Excellent (2 points)

7. Compliance with Contractual Terms:

Excellent (2 points)

8. Overall Rating:

Excellent (2 points)

9. Please make additional comments or suggestions.

1. Edited Early Learning Teaching Strategies for Classrooms Serving Three and Four-Year-Old Children
2. Helped plan and coordinate the Early Childhood Education Conference
3. Revised monitoring tool to measure weight of each component that is required in the legislation
4. Planned and conducted site visits of all Early Learning Collaboratives, building relationships to foster continued support
5. Created Collaborative one page reports for legislators
6. Created Collaborative one page profiles

7. Attended/worked the LETRS early literacy training
Built relationships and rapport with Collaborative partners
Created Collaboration site description and contact information resource documents
8. Assisted with the revision of the Mississippi Pre-Kindergarten Guidelines For Classrooms Serving Four-Year-Olds
9. Revised the Mississippi Pre-Kindergarten Guidelines For Classrooms Serving Three-Year-Olds
10. Assisted with Collaborative questions surrounding the pre-k assessment

10. Evaluator's Recommendation:

Recommended for future services

11. Evaluator Name:

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