

**OFFICE OF CHIEF OPERATIONS OFFICER**  
**Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items**  
**Consent Agenda**  
**July 23, 2014**

**OFFICE OF CHILD NUTRITION**

- F. Approval to renew competitive contracts to various produce distributors to supply and deliver produce to local organizations in the State Food Purchasing Program (Six Regions in the State)

Awarded Vendor: Four Seasons Produce, Inc.  
Moss Point, MS

Merchants Foodservice  
Hattiesburg, MS

Mid South Produce  
Grenada, MS

Scope of Project: Under the State Food Purchasing Program (MS Code Section 37-11-7{3} and State Board Policy 2008), sealed, competitive bids were solicited for distribution of produce on behalf of participating organizations. The contracts were awarded to the lowest and most responsive bidders. The contracts were originally issued August 1, 2013, for one year with an optional one-year renewal period. Contractors will deliver the produce to participants of the Child Nutrition programs in six regions of the state. Payment will be made directly to the contracted distributors by the local organizations.

Scope of Contract:

- Term of Contract: August 1, 2013 – July 31, 2015
- Cost of Contract: No MDE funds will be expended
- Method of Award: Invitation for Bids

Recommendation: Approval