School Finance Accountability Board

Date: Monday, October 03, 2016-9:00 a.m. CDT

Location: MacKay Building Conference Room #1 800 Governors Drive, Pierre, SD 57501

Public telephonic access: 1-866-410-8397/conference code: 2543408891

Present via phone: Jason Dilges, Member

Jarod Larson, Member Mike Lodmel, President

Susan Proefrock, Vice President

Eric Stroeder, Member

Absent:

DOE staff in attendance: Tamara Darnall, Travis Jordan, Susan Woodmansey, Bobbi Leiferman, Denise Bowman

Others in attendance: Megan Raposa, Irene Madsen, and other members of the public via telephone.

Call to Order and Roll Call:

Meeting was called to order by President Lodmel at approximately 9:02 a.m. CDT.

Adoption of Agenda:

Motion by Vice President Proefrock, second by Eric Stroeder, to adopt the October 3, 2016, proposed agenda. Roll call, all present voted in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Eric Stroeder, second by Jason Dilges, to approve the September 9, 2016, meeting minutes. Roll call, all present voted in favor. Motion carried.

Overview of Target Accountabilities:

Travis Jordan presented information on district accountability targets using the preliminary baseline teacher compensation data collected on the FY16 annual report submission.

Process of failure to meet Accountabilities:

Travis Jordan presented a proposed timeline the School Finance Accountability Board may use to consider waivers. The timeline outlined the various data collection periods for the board.

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Presentation of Example Teacher Compensation Data:

Travis Jordan presented examples/scenarios to the board outlining issues that may impact a district's need for a waiver request. The four scenarios presented included teacher retirement, declining enrollment, health benefit changes, and unexpected resignations. Jason Dilges asked DOE's opinion on whether the intent of the new formula seemed to be working. Travis Jordan responded that the department believes that generally districts are budgeting to meet the accountabilities. Tami Darnall responded to Jason Dilges question on declining enrollment issues.

Discussion on Drafting Appeals Process Rules:

President Lodmel agreed with the four examples that Travis Jordan presented and added that he would like to see a fifth option for other extenuating circumstances. Vice President Proefrock agreed with President Lodmel's idea of adding a fifth option for those circumstances. Jason Dilges stated that he would like to leave the appeals process open to have more flexibility.

Discussion on Drafting Waiver Request Document:

Travis Jordan reviewed the exemption form that was previously used by the excess general fund oversight board. Jarod Larson asked for clarification on whether the intent is to use two separate forms for cash balances and teacher compensation accountabilities. Travis Jordan confirmed that was the intention. The board requested that Travis Jordan provide a draft of the two forms to the board for review at the next meeting. Jarod Larson thanked Travis Jordan for his work on the timeline and documents.

Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2016-2017:

President Lodmel discussed meeting dates with the board. The board agreed upon November 4, 2016 at 1:00 P.M. CDT via skype for the next meeting.

Adjournment:

Motion by Jarod Larson, second by Vice President Proefrock, to adjourn meeting. Roll call, all present voted in favor. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:59 a.m. CDT.

Travis Jordan