Funding Flexibility

Policy Reference: OE-10 Instructional Program.

<u>Background Information:</u> Under Provisos 1.28, 1.33 and 1A.14 for Fiscal Year 2016-2017, all school districts and special schools in South Carolina may transfer and expend funds..."to ensure the delivery of academic and arts instruction to students".

The District provides a full day early childhood program for 1,120 students. The funding for this program is provided through Title I and the Four-Year Old Early Childhood funds. In 2016-17, the District will utilize a larger portion of Title I funds for this program which will result in carryover funds in the Four-Year Old Early Childhood funds.

The administration recommends that we utilize the funding flexibility provision and transfer \$1,000,000 to the EIA initiative: Students at Risk of School Failure where a larger population can be served.

At the May 17, 2017 Finance Committee meeting, Ms. Janet Graham made a motion to accept the recommendation from the administration and it was seconded by Ms. Shanda Allen. The motion passed unanimously.

<u>Purpose:</u> To give the District flexibility to utilize a portion of these carryover funds for the benefit of a larger population. This transfer **will not** impact the current early childhood program.

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<u>Recommended Action:</u> To provide programmatic flexibility, it is recommended that the District request a flexibility waiver for the Four-Year Old Early Childhood funds in the amount of \$1,000,000. These funds will be transferred to the EIA initiative: Students at Risk of School Failure where a larger population can be served.

Estimated Project Cost: N/A

Recurring Non-recurring

Funding Sources: