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MEMORANDUM

TO: Members, Utah State Board of Education

FROM: Brad C. Smith
Chief Executive Officer

DATE: August 6-7, 2015

INFORMATION: Report on the Status of Additional Positions for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 16 Budget Adjustments

Background: The Utah State Board of Education approved the use of current State Fiscal Year (SFY) 16 funds to fund the following positions:

- Three (3) Managerial Accountants
- One (1) Federal Grant(s) Compliance Officer
- Two (2) Office Technician/Administrative Assistant Positions
- One (1) Student Services Section Directors

Key Points: Utah State Office of Education superintendents first looked at using internal, funded and budgeted vacant positions. A thorough review took place and none of the vacant positions were suitable for use as, "bill payers," for any of the approved positions.

Funding for Associate Superintendent Stallings' position was moved to fund Associate Superintendent Nye's position. These are ongoing state funds. Funding for Associate Superintendent Stallings' position comes from ongoing risk mitigation funding.

Superintendent Smith directed use of the HB 15 CRT testing (now SAGE testing) appropriation to fund these positions (\$950,000.00). Funding will be transferred from the Assessment Division to the respective sections upon announcement of the positions by Human Resources.

Funding for the positions is one-time funding. USOE will need to seek ongoing funding for all of these positions during the next legislative session. There is risk that ongoing funding may not be provided by the legislature for all of these positions, which will necessitate either: 1) Finding alternative, existing one-time or ongoing funding; or 2) a Reduction in Force (RIF).

Anticipated Action:

Information will be provided on the progress of filling these positions to date.

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