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MEMORANDUM

TO: Members, Utah State Board of Education

FROM: Diana Suddreth, Director
Teaching & Learning

DATE: October 6-7, 2016

ACTION: Competency-based Measures and Use of Appropriation

Background: The 2016 Legislature passed S.B. 143 Competency-based Learning Amendments, which requires the Board to make rules that establish an advisory committee, provide grant application procedures and timelines, and describe the criteria for awarding planning grants. R277-712 *Competency-based Grant Programs* was enacted to comply with the new legislation.

In the Board's August meeting the Standards and Assessment Committee was assigned to determine the best use of the \$269,000 appropriated for the development of competency-based learning.

Board Strategic Plan: This item supports the following imperative(s) and strategies in the Board's Strategic Plan:

- Imperatives System Values
- Strategies Oversight

Anticipated Action: It is anticipated that the Standards and Assessment Committee will forward recommendations to the Board and provide direction to staff on competency-based measures in accordance with S.B. 143 and R277-712 and determine the best use of the appropriation.

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