## OFFICE OF CHIEF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE OFFICER Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items January 15-16, 2015

### **OFFICE OF ACCREDITATION**

### 05. B. <u>Approval of the Corrective Action Plan for Wayne County School District in</u> accordance with Accreditation Policy 2.8.1

#### **Executive Summary**

In accordance with Accreditation Policy 2.8.1 of the *Mississippi Public School Accountability Standards, 2014*, a school district that has been assigned a PROBATION or WITHDRAWN accreditation status must submit a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) with defined timelines in which to correct the district's deficiencies. In accordance with Policy 2.8.1, the State Board of Education implements the program of development in each district in accordance with Section 37-17-6(11), Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended.

Wayne County School District was assigned a PROBATION status by the State Board of Education on October 17, 2014. The district submitted the CAP to the Mississippi Department of Education within sixty (60) days of notification as required. Each program office has reviewed the section of the CAP applicable to its office and has approved the corrective actions and timelines provided by the school district.

Wayne County School District currently has the following issues of noncompliance with accreditation process standards on record: Process Standards 10.5 and 11.2 (6).

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

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November 19, 2014

Mississippi Department of Education Office of Accreditation P. O. Box 771 Jackson, MS 39205 APPROVED

DEC 0 1 2014 Wayne Co. School Board

SUBJECT: Corrective Plan of Action for the Wayne County School District Regarding EEF Cards

Dear Mississippi Department of Education:

The Wayne School District has instituted a Corrective Plan of Action for the distribution of EEF cards to certified teachers in the district. The district has updated its policy on who receives EEF cards, and these policies have been approved by the School Board.

The Corrective Plan of Action includes the following:

- Federal Programs Director will identify all employees that receive federal funding at any level.
- Only certified teachers may receive EEF cards.
- Any teachers receiving federal funds towards salary will not receive EEF cards.
- EEF cards will be distributed by the Federal Programs Department to ensure only individuals receiving cards are certified teachers that do not receive any federal funding.
- All teachers receiving an EEF card will sign an agreement letter as to their status and receipt of the EEF card.
- Under the Corrective Plan of Action, Federal Programs Department will oversee the issuance of all cards to ensure no federally funded teacher receives an EEF card.
- The Business Manager, Federal Programs Director, and Superintendent will approve the list of teachers to receive an EEF card prior to any EEF cards being distributed.

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• The Payroll Clerk will ensure all employees are coded correctly.

The district will continue to work diligently to ensure future distribution of EEF cards are correct by utilizing the Corrective Plan of Action.

The responsible individuals are:

Patrick Busby, Business Manager

Tina Harrison, Federal Programs Director

Ben Graves, Superintendent

If there are any further questions regarding this Corrective Plan of Action and revisions to board policy, please do not hesitate to contact any of the responsible parties at (601) 735-4871.

Sincerely,

Terry Graham, School Board President

Leah Parson, School Board Secretary

Ben Graves, Superintendent