

OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY AND STRATEGIC SERVICES
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
September 17, 2015

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- P. Approval to continue with a Memorandum of Understanding with the Harvard College to participate in the Strategic Data Project (SDP) Fellowship

Awarded Vendor: Harvard College
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Scope of Project: The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to allow the Mississippi Department of Education to participate in the Strategic Data Project (SDP) Fellowship with Harvard College. The SDP Fellowship is a two-year program that supports and develops talented data strategists in education agencies to have an immediate impact on policy and management decision that can improve student outcomes. Fellows are highly skilled quantitative analysts with an entrepreneurial passion for using data to drive decision-making.

Personnel associated with this contract are not former Department employees or related to any Department employees.

Scope of Contract:

- Term of Current Contract: October 1, 2015 – September 30, 2017
- Cost of Current Contract: \$ 67,000 (\$33,500 per year)
- Method of Award: Legislative Appropriation

Funding Source: State funds

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material will be provided in a couple of days