

**OFFICE OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER  
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items  
March 17, 2022**

**OFFICE OF ACADEMIC EDUCATION**

06.B. Action: Renew contract with Michael D. Kent for Fiscal Year 2023 to perform the administrative duties for the Office of Academic Education [Goals 4 and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan]

Awarded Vendor: Michael D. Kent  
Madison, Mississippi

Scope of Project: The contractor will be responsible for performing the following:

- Will work with new, upcoming, and recently consolidated school districts;
- Will be responsible for performing administrative duties as requested for the Office of Academic Education for the State Special Schools;
- Will work as a governmental affairs representative for the Mississippi Department of Education with Mississippi school district consolidations;
- Will train and mentor existing and potential future school district superintendents and principals in Mississippi; and
- Will work on special assignments as requested by the State Superintendent.

This is year two (2) of a four (4) year contract. Renewal of contract shall be contingent upon the successful completion of the services from the preceding fiscal year's contract and the availability of funds. Personnel associated with this contract are not former Department employees or related to any Department employees. The contractor is a PERS retiree.

- July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2023 \$106,036
- Method of Award: Request for Applications

Funding Source: State funds

This item references Goals 4 and 6 of the *Mississippi Board of Education 2018-2022 Strategic Plan*.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

**Contract Worker for District Consolidation**

<b>Year 1</b>	<b>\$106,036.00</b>
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>\$106,036.00*</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$212,072.00</b>

\*includes personal services, FICA, retirement, and travel