OFFICE OF CHIEF ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICER Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items Consent Agenda June 20, 2024

OFFICE OF CHILD NUTRITION

J. <u>Approval of Statewide Purchasing Program's FY24 Financial Statement and</u> FY25 Fee Structure

<u>Scope of Project</u>: In accordance with Miss. Admin. Code 7-3:17.8, State Board Policy Chapter 17, Rule 17.8, Purchasing System, Food Purchasing System for Public Schools, fees for participants in the Statewide Purchasing Program shall be assessed in amounts as necessary to cover the cost of operation for the fiscal year. Any excess fees collected shall be utilized to cover a portion of the cost in the next year. An annual report of the revenue and expenditures shall be made to the State Board of Education, and the Board shall approve the fee structure for each fiscal year.

Based upon the projected operational cost for FY25, the Statewide Purchasing Program's financial statement for school year FY24 indicates an insufficient balance to cover the projected operating expenses therefore, the Office of Child Nutrition projects a fee will be assessed from participating organizations for the next school year. The fee for participation will be calculated at \$.00335 per meal equivalent. Through participation in this program, schools have the opportunity to purchase food and non-food products at lower costs.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

<u>FY24 Financial Statement</u> <u>for Child Nutrition State Purchasing Program</u>

Total Cash Available FY24:	\$603,008.82
Projected FY24 Expenses:	\$113,591.34
Projected Ending Cash Balance:	\$489,417.48
Anticipated Expenses FY25:	\$639,023.22
Less FY24 Cash Balance:	\$489,417.48
Revenue Needed FY25:	\$149,605.74
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Divided by Meal Equivalents FY23:	44,689,072
FY25 Rate per Meal Equivalent:	\$ 0.003348