

**OFFICE OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
November 7, 2019**

MISSISSIPPI SCHOOLS FOR THE BLIND AND DEAF

08.C. Action: Contract with Dr. Kim S. Benton to provide emergency and temporary administrative oversight at the Mississippi Schools for the Blind and the Deaf [Goal 4 – MBE Strategic Plan]

Awarded Vendor: Dr. Kim S. Benton
 Hickory, Mississippi

Scope of Project: The purpose of this contract is to retain the services of Dr. Kim S. Benton to provide emergency and temporary oversight at the Mississippi Schools for the Blind and the Deaf. Dr. Benton will lead instructional and operational aspects of the schools and ensure appropriate implementation of State Board of Education policies.

Personnel associated with this contract are former Department employees or related to any Department employees. The contractor is a PERS retiree.

Scope of Contract:

- Term of Contract: October 7, 2019 – June 30, 2020
- Total Amount to be Awarded: \$ 66,000
- Method of Award: Emergency Procurement

Funding Source: State funds

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

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material: None