Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
March 17, 2022	I-1

Title

Adoption of Cherokee County School District Strategic Waivers School System (SWSS) Contract Amendment Resolution

Requested Action

School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation to Adopt Cherokee County School District Strategic Waivers School System (SWSS) Contract Amendment Resolution

Summary Explanation and Background

As statutorily required, Strategic Waiver School System (SWSS) contracts outline five-year CCRPI accountability measures and require schools to meet those goals for at least three of the five years. Due to CCRPI changes and COVID-19 disruptions, there are only two years of data available by which to evaluate current contract performance measures. As a result, State Superintendent Richard Woods recommended, and the State Board of Education (SBOE) approved, a two-year extension for all SWSS contracts at its February meeting.

This proposed extension allows districts to continue to support student achievement and growth, address operational needs, and ensure additional years of valid and reliable data by which to better assess the impact of flexibility in our schools.

The State Department of Education requires adoption of the attached resolution Amendment to Section 20 of the current SWSS contract.

Priority Area

Organization and Operational Effectiveness

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List)

Contract Amendment

Source of Additional Information

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CHEROKEE COUNTY STRATEGIC WAIVERS SCHOOL SYSTEM ("SWSS")
CONTRACT AMENDMENT

NUMBER 3

The State Board of Education ("State Board") and the Cherokee County Board of Education ("Local Board") agree to amend the Strategic Waiver School System Contract for Cherokee County Schools ("Contract"). This amendment, which shall become effective upon the last signature, shall be referred to as "Amendment #3."

WHEREAS, the State Board and the Local Board entered into the Contract for the operation of a Strategic Waivers School System beginning on or about July 1, 2016 to maximize academic and financial accountability;

WHEREAS, the Contract was previously amended on or about July 23, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Local Board approved by a majority vote to amend the Contract to add two years to the contract term.

NOW THEREFORE, the State Board and the Local Board mutually agree to amend the Contract as follows:

1. The Contract is hereby amended to insert the following as new Section 20, to read as follows:
   - "This Contract shall become effective on July 1, 2016 and, with the February 2022 amendment due to the unforeseen circumstances as determined by the State Board of Education, which resulted in only two years of accountability data during the five year performance term, will end on June 30, 2025."

Except as amended herein, the Contract and all previous amendments are unaffected and shall continue in full force and effect in accordance with its terms. If there is a conflict between this amendment and the Contract or any earlier amendment, the terms of this amendment will prevail.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties state and affirm that they are duly authorized to bind the respected entities designated below as of the day and year indicated.

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Chairperson, STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION (Date)

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Chairperson, CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION (Date)