Appendix

BOE Agenda Item Executive Summary
Date: July 29, 2024

Topic: Adult Students – High School Diploma Completion

Background Information (History, Rationale, etc.): Orion has provided this required service for us for many years now. This opportunity to pursue a high school diploma is available to any interested adult that did not complete high school. Typical students include (but are not limited to) individuals who have been released from prison, people who have immigrated to the United States, and former high school students who dropped out and are now looking to improve their circumstances.

The district receives standard base state aid on adults who are enrolled, just like we would any other student. In most years this leads to us actually receiving more funding for these students than we pay to Orion for their facilitation of the program. This was not the case last year, as the funding awarded was actually slightly less than the $900,000 that was given to Orion.

Despite enrollment being down this year, the quantity of 1) credits earned and 2) total graduates increased.