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March 8, 2017

Consent Agenda Item (Action Item):

Consider/Approve Superintendent Participation in a "Three Year Bill Melinda Gates Foundation initiative sponsored by Everyone Graduates Center at John Hopkins University"

Applicable Statute or Regulation:

Capital Construction Process: 702 KAR 4:160

Fiscal/Budgetary Impact: No Cost to the District

History/Background:

This is by invitation and I am honored to represent Floyd County and Kentucky in this work.

The purpose of the initiative is to develop a "Next Generation of K-12 Indicator and Response Systems to Increase Students' Post-Secondary Readiness and Persistence."

The initiative builds on work of the Everyone Graduates Center and the University of Chicago Consortium on Chicago School Research, as well as that of our partners in the Regional Education Labs, led by ED NW, and you – education innovators who have been working on early warning systems and other indicator and response systems for years. Many of you participated in our planning phase meeting in April, 2016. With the expanded initiative, we are inviting input from additional others, some from new sectors (higher education and employers) and some from additional states, districts, "think tanks," professional organizations and non-profits.

During Year 1 (2017), the initiative will include a kick-off meeting May 2 and 3, in Baltimore, and a series of virtual meetings, beginning in March, organized by workgroups centered on key themes suggested by April 2016 participants. Workgroups are designed to contribute to the overall effort, with the capacity to explore specific topics in depth beyond which is possible in a larger meeting. Ultimately, they will generate recommendations for the group as a whole, in the overall work to generate and disseminate recommendations nationally. Workgroups will focus on:

- The next generation of K-12 data systems visual display and data use
- The next generation of K-12 indicators

• The next generation of K-12 response systems

Recommended Action:

Approve as presented.

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Superintendent

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