KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION STAFF NOTE

Topic: 2022-2024 Biennial Budget Request ApprovalDate:October 2021Action Requested:ReviewAction/ConsentAction/DiscussionHeld In:Full BoardCurriculum, Instruction and AssessmentOperations

SUMMARY OF ISSUE BEFORE THE BOARD:

To take action on the proposed 2022-2024 Biennial Budget Request. Pursuant to KRS 156.024, prior to the submission of formal budgetary requests of the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) to the Governor and executive branch, the budget areas in the board's jurisdiction shall be forwarded to the Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) to enable it to fully investigate and review said requests and make recommendations to the Governor.

COMMISSIONER'S RECOMMENDATION:

The commissioner recommends the Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) approve the Biennial Budget Request.

APPLICABLE STATUTE OR REGULATION:

KRS Chapter 48, KRS 156.024

BACKGROUND:

Existing Policy:

The Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) and the Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) have initiated planning and development for the upcoming biennial budget cycle (2022-2024 Budget Request), which is due to the Governor's Office in November 2021.

Summary of Issue:

At the April 2021 board meeting, KDE staff provided a general overview of the biennial budget process. At the June board meeting, KDE staff discussed the agency's current (baseline) budget and potential additional budget requests. At the August KBE meeting, guidance from the KBE on prioritization of such additional budget requests was discussed. Final KBE guidance and approval of the entire biennial budget request will be required at the October 2021 board meeting to allow for submission to the Governor's Office in a timely manner.

Budget Impact:

While there is no impact to the KDE's current budget, the KBE will approve the final budget and submit it to the Governor for inclusion in the 2022-2024 Executive Branch Budget Request.

During the 2022 Legislative Session, the Kentucky General Assembly will enact a budget that will establish KDE funding for the next biennium.

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