**SPENCER COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**Board of Education Agenda Item**

 Meeting Date **4/24/2023**

 Topic/Title **Sign Language Interpreter**

 Presenter(s) **Chuck Abell/ Todd Russell**

**Type of Information/Board Action**

[ ]  Information only. No Board action required.

[ ]  Action requested at a future meeting: **Click or tap to enter a date.**

[ ]  **Consent agenda for approval at this meeting.**

[x]  **Action requested at this meeting.**

**Board review is a result of:**

[ ]  State or federal law or regulation.

[ ]  Board of Education policy.

[ ]  Past practice.

[x]  Other: **ARC decision**

**Previous Review, Discussion, or Action**

[x]  No previous Board review, discussion, or action.

[ ]  Previous review/action on: **Click or tap to enter a date.** Action: **Click or tap here to enter text.**

**Background/Summary of Presented Information**

The ARC (Admissions and Release Committee) for an incoming special education student has determined that a sign language interpreter is needed in order for the student to have equal access to education as American Sign Language is the student’s form of communication. This position will be a classified full-time (185 days) position. To make the position comparable to what surrounding districts are paying Interpreters, the position would fall under category code “T19”.

**Financial Considerations**

[ ]  There is NO financial impact on resources.

[x]  There is a financial impact on Board resources. Chief Financial Officer must review.

**GKM** Chief Financial Officer’s initials, if required

This position would be paid from the General Fund, resulting in an estimated decrease of the Contingency by about $41,500 using 185 days, 7 hours/day, and estimating 5 years of experience.

**Superintendent’s Recommendation**

[x]  Recommend approval as presented.