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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Members of the State Board of Education

FROM: Joy Hofmeister

DATE: January 28, 2016

SUBJECT: Request Action on Severance Allowance to Former School Employees

State Board action is being requested by the Financial Services Division of the State Department of Education to pay a one-time severance to the former certified employees of the annexed Byars school district pursuant to Title 70 O.S. Section 7-203 (c).

Based on applications furnished by the former annexed school district employees who were not hired for FY2016 or paid a severance by the receiving district when the school district annexed, Title 70 O.S. Section 7-203 (c) enables the former employees to seek approval from the State Board of Education for a severance payment from the FY2016 Consolidation Assistance Fund. Approval by the State Board of Education will allow the former school district employees a recommended one-time severance payment.

Recommend Approval of Severance:

Mr. Knighten	Teacher/Coach	Byars P.S.	Congressional District 4
Ms. Pinnella	Teacher	Byars P.S.	Congressional District 4

Recommend Denial of Severance: 70 O.S. § 7-203(B)(1) - Employee must be dismissed due to annexation and denied severance or unemployment benefits to be eligible for Severance from Oklahoma Dept. of Educ.. Employee did not apply for Severance from Wayne P.S. per information submitted on application.

Ms. DeArman	Teacher	Byars P.S.	Congressional District 4
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