## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

The Honorable Members of the State Board of Education

FROM:

Janet C. Barresi

DATE:

September 11, 2013

**SUBJECT:** 

Sponsorships and Donations Report

Pursuant to 70 O.S. §70 3-104(12), the State Board of Education is authorized to accept and provide for the administration of any land, money, buildings, gifts, donations or other things of value which may be offered or bequeathed to the schools under the supervision or control of the Board. This includes but is not limited to donations of gifts, money, or any other tangible item to assist with providing professional development, training, seminars, etc. to schools and/or school staff. In accordance with OSDE's sponsorship/donation acceptance policy, the acceptance of such donations must be accepted and approved by the State Board of Education.

The Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma would like to donate a monetary gift of \$22,000 to the OSDE to support the department in scoping and planning the implementation of Ed-Fi Dashboards for the benefit of public students within the Choctaw jurisdiction. Additional information is in the attached letter. Approval is recommended.

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Attachments

Joy Culbreath Executive Education Director Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma P.O. Box 1210 Durant, OK 74702

Monday, August 19, 2013

Oklahoma State Board of Education 2500 North Lincoln Blvd. Oklahoma City, OK 73105

Dear state board members,

The Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma would like to donate a monetary gift of \$22,000 to the Oklahoma State Department of Education to support the department in scoping and planning the implementation of Oklahoma Ed-Fi Dashboards for the benefit of public school students within the Choctaw jurisdiction.

The Ed-Fi Dashboards will convey information about students in our community to local educators and administrators, including staff of the Choctaw Nation's Education Department. Real time data will be useful in providing direct and timely services to students, and longitudinal data will enable the Choctaw Nation and our local public schools to evaluate our programs and ensure that we are doing all that we can to help our children succeed in school and in life.

Our children are the future of the Choctaw Nation and we appreciate the efforts of the Oklahoma State Department of Education to support them and our local partner school districts across the Choctaw jurisdiction. Our gift is a token of our appreciation and reflects our commitment to the public schools educating our children.

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