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Commissioner's Task Force on ESSER (II, and III) and EANS (I, and II) Distribution of Money – March 10, 2023

Call to Order

Vice Chairman Thomas called the meeting of the Commissioner's Task Force to order at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, March 10, 2023.

The meeting was conducted via video conference and was live streamed for the public to observe and listen.

Approval of Agenda

Frank Harwood made a motion to approve the agenda as presented for the March 10 meeting and TinaRae Scott seconded it. Motion carried (9-0).

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Attendance

The following Task Force members attended by video conference:

Adam Thomas	Cathy Hopkins
Simeon Russell	Lisa Peters
Roberta Lewis	TinaRae Scott
Jamie Rumford	Frank Harwood
Melissa Rooker	

Approval of February 10 Minutes

Frank Harwood made a motion to approve the February 10 minutes and Jamie Rumford seconded it. Motion carried (9-0).

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ESSER II: Discussion of Change Requests Deemed Eligible by KSDE

Doug Boline started the meeting off by stating that there are 6 ESSER II change requests being reviewed in today's meeting and if approved, the change requests will be recommended to the State Board of Education for approval on Tuesday, March 14. The ESSER II change requests consist of 147 individual budgeted expenditures totaling a value of \$2.9 million (eligible net change is \$733,135).

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Vote to Recommend the ESSER II Change Requests Slate to Kansas State Board of Education

Bert Lewis made a motion to approve the ESSER II change request as presented. Frank Harwood seconded it. Motion carried (9-0).

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ESSER III: Summary & Discussion of Request Deemed Eligible by KSDE

Doug Boline mentioned that the 34 districts represented in today's ESSER III application batch have requested \$31.4 million (for eligible expenditures): which is 84% of their total allocation. The average eligible expenditures (requested) per district (for this specific batch) range from

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\$17,000 to \$4,113,464; average amount per district is \$923,161. The eligible planned expenditures (for this batch) per student range from \$48 to \$4,989; average amount is \$960.

ESSER III: Discussion of Request Deemed Ineligible by KSDE

The KSDE review team deemed four requests as ineligible. All of the requests were submitted by USD 364 Marysville. Three of the requests were for additional pay for the superintendent, to complete duties for their position, which is deemed not allowable under Uniform Grant Guidance (2 CFR 200). The last request was for 33 cameras for their buses, which was deemed not reasonable for the use of ESSER funds (this decision is reflective of the narrative the district provided for each request).

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ESSER III: Discussion of Change Requests Deemed Eligible by KSDE

The eligible expenditures for the 15 ESSER III change requests totaled to \$66,773,369 (cumulative). The net change for the eligible requests total to \$14,603,442. Specific details regarding the batch of change requests can be found on the Commissioner's Task Force webpage located here - [Commissioner's Task Force \(ksde.org\)](https://ksde.org).

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ESSER III: Discussion of Change Requests Deemed Ineligible by KSDE

The KSDE review team deemed one request as ineligible, which was submitted by USD 420 Osage City. USD 420 Osage City's specific request was for pairing camera surveillance, access control, air quality sensors, and the Avigilon control center. The KSDE review team did not believe this was an allowable use of ESSER funds (this decision is reflective of the narrative the district provided for each request).

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Vote to Recommend the ESSER III Change Requests and Applications to the Kansas State Board of Education

Melissa Rooker made a motion to approve the ESSER III change requests and applications. Frank Harwood seconded it. Motion carried (8-1).

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Adjournment

Vice Chairman Thomas adjourned the meeting at 3:20 p.m. The next meeting will occur on Thursday, April 6, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.