

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION

REGARDING STRATEGIC PLANNING

WHEREAS, Indiana has made demonstrable gains in academic achievement across a variety of objective measures over the past five years, but nonetheless still faces a number of educational challenges, including but not limited to:

- closing the achievement gap, including the achievement gap for students whose families live in poverty;
- ensuring students can read by the end of third grade;
- high school drop-outs;
- high school graduates who earn waiver diplomas but cannot obtain meaningful employment or gain admission to a selective post-secondary institution; and
- high school graduates with Core 40, Honors and waiver diplomas who require remediation upon enrollment in publicly funded post-secondary institutions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the SBOE seeks to create a strategic plan to guide the work of the SBOE for the next 3 years;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the SBOE appoints a Strategic Planning Committee (“Committee”) to be chaired by SBOE Secretary, Dan Elsener, and consisting of five additional members: Superintendent of Public Instruction Glenda Ritz, David Freitas, Sarah O’Brien, Brad Oliver and B.J. Watts, and such Committee will remain in effect until February 28, 2014, by which time a 3-year strategic plan shall be adopted by the SBOE;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, SBOE staff are directed to provide project management and oversight for the strategic planning process, including but not limited to:

- identifying at least three strategic planning consultants to submit proposals to the Committee, so that the Committee may select the most qualified consultant to support a quality planning effort,
- entering into a contract with the consultant on behalf of the SBOE, utilizing SBOE funds,
- establishing the schedule of Committee meetings to support the timely implementation of strategic planning efforts,
- liaising with the IDOE to obtain necessary data and information to support the strategic planning work of the Committee,
- managing the work of the strategic planning consultant selected by the Committee in between Committee meetings, including the scope of services and project budget,
- seeking input from Hoosier educators, families and community stakeholders to inform the strategic planning work of the Committee,
- seeking input from SBOE members and national experts to inform the strategic planning work of the Committee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the strategic plan vetted by the Committee and brought before the full SBOE for adoption no later than February 28, 2014, shall establish clear K-12 educational goals for Indiana over a three-year time period, establish objective indicators and metrics to support the

implementation of these goals, and create a balanced scorecard by which the SBOE, IDOE and members of the general public will be able to assess progress toward these goals.

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