

MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Regents
From: Board Office
Subject: Agreements with the Nebraska Department of Education
Date: June 5, 2000

Recommended Actions:

1. Academic Year Agreement – Approve the renewal of the education services agreement with the Nebraska Department of Education for the FY 2001 at a tuition rate of \$62,759 per Nebraska student (\$39,252 for educational and related program services and \$23,507 for residential services).
2. Summer School Agreement – Approve the renewal of the Nebraska Summer School Agreement for the summer school program of 2000 with a tuition rate of \$472 per Nebraska student, per week (\$240 for educational and related program services and \$232 for residential services).
3. Both Agreements:
 - a. Approve the change to section 6(g) of each agreement to allow the per student amount charged to the Nebraska Department of Education to decrease in direct relation to the summer school budget of the Iowa School for the Deaf.
 - b. Approve the notification of the Board's intent to renew each agreement with the Nebraska Department of Education for FY 2002, pursuant to the provisions of the agreement.

Executive Summary:**ACADEMIC YEAR AGREEMENT**

The agreement between the Board of Regents and the Nebraska Department of Education for educational services provided by the Iowa School for the Deaf for Nebraska students with hearing impairments was approved by the Board in April 1998 for FY 1999 and renewed for FY 2000. The terms of the original agreement allow renewal for additional years by mutual consent of the parties with written notification by each party. Both parties provided written intent for FY 2001. It is recommended that the contract be renewed for FY 2001 with the same tuition rate as previous years.

The tuition rate of \$62,759 for the Nebraska students for FY 2001 includes educational and related program services at \$39,252 (\$37,944 for the educational services and \$1,308 for capital costs) and residential services at \$23,507.

The Nebraska Department of Education had requested this change, which is included in the contract renewal document.

Pursuant to section 1 of the agreement, the parties are to be notified, in writing, regarding the intent to renew the agreement for the subsequent fiscal year, FY 2002. It is recommended that the Board, on behalf of the Iowa School for the Deaf, notify the Nebraska Department of Education of its intent to renew the agreement for FY 2002.

SUMMER SCHOOL AGREEMENT

The academic year agreement between the Board of Regents and the Nebraska Department of Education specifically excludes services related to the summer school program. In May 1999, the Board approved an agreement for the Iowa School for the Deaf to provide summer school programming for Nebraska students with hearing impairments.

Iowa School for the Deaf annually offers a summer school program. Students may attend one, two, or three weeks of the program. ISD officials have been informed that several Nebraska students wish to attend the 2000 summer school program.

The tuition amount for this summer's program will be \$472 per student, per week (\$240 per week for the educational and related services and \$232 for the residential services). Because of the manner in which the ISD summer program is operated with activities well past the evening meal hour, it is preferable that students be in residence during the week(s) that they participate.

Pursuant to section 1 of the summer school agreement, the parties are to be notified, in writing, regarding the intent to renew the agreement for the subsequent fiscal year, FY 2002. It is recommended that the Board, on behalf of the Iowa School for the Deaf, notify the Nebraska Department of Education of its intent to renew the agreement for FY 2002.

PROPOSED CHANGE

The only change in either agreement is to include language allowing the annual charges per student to be modified to reflect any decrease in charges in direct relation to the general budget for the Iowa School for the Deaf. The Nebraska Department of Education has requested this change, which is included in the contract renewal document and confirms an understanding reached during agreement of the original contract.

Copies of the proposed academic year contract renewal and notifications are included in the Regent Exhibit Book.


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Approved: 
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