



TO: Roger Breed, Ed.D.
Commissioner of Education

FROM: Marilyn Peterson

SUBJECT: Contract with Aspect

Proposed Board Action:

Grant the Commissioner the authority to contract with Aspect, Inc. to update the Data Reporting System (DRS) to full functionality.

Background Information:

This vendor built the Data Reporting System under a 2007 State Longitudinal Data System (SLDS) federal grant. The change in federal reporting of race/ethnicity in seven categories, from the previously used five categories, was not implemented in 2011 and all support for the DRS from this vendor was dropped. The DRS is the only source of up-to-date student and staff data with analysis functions for the state of Nebraska. It provides a secure access for districts to conduct analysis of state level data for their districts. It has been a model for other states. The U. S. Department of Education is allowing Funds from the 2012 SLDS federal grant to be used to bring the DRS back. This contract would provide the programming changes required to restore the DRS to full functionality.

Estimated Cost:

\$71,275 of 2012 SLDS federal grant funds

Supporting Documentation Included:

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