NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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

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SUBJECT: Contract with Jeremy Blinn

Proposed Board Action:

Grant the Commissioner the authority to contract with Jeremy Blinn to develop curricular units for the Food and Nutritional Sciences Project

Background Information:

Nebraska joined 12 other states in the Preparation for Tomorrow consortium with the Southern Region Education Board. Each state in the consortium is developing a sequence of four rigorous career technical education courses to address a high skill, high wage and high demand career area. Nebraska is developing a sequence of courses in the Food and Nutritional Sciences area. The curriculum is totally project-based with student led projects providing meaningful educational experiences as the students develop the technical knowledge and skill required.

Nebraska has created partnerships with UNL Food Science and UNL Nutritional Science Departments in addition to ConAgra Foods to provide the technical content for this curriculum. This contract will provide for the actual writing of the final curriculum for the second course of the series.

Estimated Cost:

Total amount of contract is $48,000.00. This includes $40,000 for the curriculum development and up to $8,000.00 in expenses.

Supporting Documentation Included:

None

For Additional Information on this item:

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