

WASHOE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Reno, Nevada

REGULAR MEETING
September 23, 2008

TITLE: Supplemental Information for Discussion of Official Count Day Enrollment and Possible Approval of Transfer from Contingency of up to \$1,958,810 to Fund Some or All Executive Cabinet Tier 1A Budget Priorities for Fiscal Year 2008-09.

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SUMMARY: As mentioned in the original item, depending on how the actual enrollment count compared to the projected enrollment growth for fiscal year 2008-09, the District would be facing an \$800,000 to \$2.5 million shortfall that would affect the ability to fund some or all of the budget priorities. The original item also mentioned the special legislative session imposed \$10.5 million in budget reductions for the district and we had set aside \$1,958,810 in a contingency account for budget uncertainties.

At this point in time, it appears the enrollment will actually be about .5% less than the prior fiscal year and the shortfall related to the enrollment decrease will be \$2.5 million. A recommendation is being made to use \$1,073,410 of the contingency account for budget uncertainties to offset this shortfall and use the remaining \$885,400 in this contingency account to fund critically needed budget priorities.

This plan would leave the enrollment shortfall balance at \$1.43 million. Combined with the special session reductions of \$10.5 million the district still would be facing total reductions of \$11.93 million. Although the plan to address these reductions will be finalized at a later date after obtaining further public input and additional information from the State, we believe the district has the means to do so without negatively impacting classroom instruction and reducing personnel.

SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the transfer from contingency of \$885,400 for Executive Cabinet Tier 1A Budget Priorities and use the balance in the account to offset the reduced funding related to the enrollment shortfall. The transfer from the contingency account will be made to the following accounts in the General Fund:

<u>FUNCTION</u>	<u>OBJECT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Instruction	Salaries	\$100,000
Student Support	Purchased Services	\$206,100
Instructional Staff Support	Salaries	\$106,000
General Administration	Salaries	\$ 44,800
General Administration	Purchases Services	\$ 32,000
School Administration	Salaries	\$220,000
Operations & Maintenance	Salaries	\$ 25,000
Operations & Maintenance	Supplies	\$ 54,000
Central Support	Salaries	<u>\$ 97,500</u>
	Total	<u>\$885,400</u>