

<b>MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA ITEM:</b>		<b>June 2014</b>	
CONSIDERATION OF CLASSIFICATION DETERMINATION FOR THE <i>NORMANDY SCHOOLS COLLABORATIVE</i>			
<b>STATUTORY AUTHORITY:</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> Consent Item <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action Item <input type="checkbox"/> Report Item	
Sections 161.092, 161.210 and 162.081, RSMo			
<p><b>DEPARTMENT GOAL NO. 1:</b></p> <p>All Missouri students will graduate college and career ready.</p> <p><b>SUMMARY:</b></p> <p>Creation of the <i>Normandy Schools Collaborative</i> represents an unprecedented step to break the cycle of low achievement and fundamentally change the way Normandy schools will function. A key issue that must be addressed is the accreditation status of the <i>Normandy Schools Collaborative</i> during this period of direct state oversight. Current standards in the Missouri School Improvement Program (MSIP) do not address the state intervention and alternative governance authorized under Mo. Rev. Stat. § 162.081.3 (2)(b).</p> <p>Therefore, it is recommended that the State Board of Education grant a waiver under Mo. Rev. Stat. § 161.210, giving the <i>Normandy Schools Collaborative</i> a new school status as a state oversight district. This classification shall be granted based upon the following actions by the Normandy Joint Executive Governing Board (Normandy JEGB):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Normandy JEGB shall, within ninety (90) days of appointment, implement a school improvement plan as approved by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) which shall include, but not be limited to:           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. A rigorous and relevant instructional program,</li> <li>b. Ongoing, high-quality, job-embedded professional development,</li> <li>c. Increased instructional time,</li> <li>d. Social-emotional and community-oriented services and supports, and</li> <li>e. Use of data to inform and differentiate instruction.</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Implement the directives of DESE to facilitate continuous oversight of the operations of the <i>Normandy Schools Collaborative</i>.</li> <li>3. Provide quarterly reports to the State Board of Education on the <i>Normandy Schools Collaborative</i> status.</li> </ol> <p>The waiver status shall be reviewed annually by the State Board of Education and shall be renewed based upon the benchmarks established by DESE as necessary to return the <i>Normandy</i></p>			

*Schools Collaborative* to full accreditation. Subject to annual review and renewal, the waiver may remain in place for up to three (3) school years, at which time the State Board of Education will complete a comprehensive review of the district governance structure.

**PRESENTER:**

Mark Allan Van Zandt, General Counsel, will lead the discussion of this agenda item.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

The Department recommends that the State Board of Education grant a waiver under Mo. Rev. Stat. § 161.210, giving the *Normandy Schools Collaborative* a new school status as a state oversight district subject to requirements outlined herein.