



**BOARD MEETING DATE**  
**October 28, 2013**

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**NORTHWEST REGIONAL ESD STATE SCHOOL FUND REVENUES REQUEST  
 RESOLUTION (13-334)**

**POLICY ISSUE / SITUATION:**

House Bill 3401 approved by the 2013 Oregon Legislature allows school districts in Clatsop, Columbia, Tillamook, Washington, Lane, Hood River and Wasco Counties to request up to 65% of all amounts received from the State School Fund (SSF) and attributable to the school district directly from the Education Service District. A school district board must make this request to the Education Service District board by November 1 of the year prior to the school year for which the request is being made and must designate the percentage to be withdrawn from the ESD. Districts who elect to request more than 50% of the State School Fund attributable to the school district may act only in an advisory capacity for decisions made in relation to the governance of the Education Service District, including the Local Service Plan.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The purpose of Oregon’s Education Service Districts is defined in Oregon law (ORS 334.005): *Education Service District assist school districts and the Sate of Oregon in achieving Oregon’s education goals by providing equitable educational opportunities for all of Oregon’s public school students.*

Each ESD provides regional services to its component school districts, primarily in areas that the school districts alone would not be able to adequately and equitably provide. Examples would be high cost technology systems and children with severe disabilities who qualify under the category of high cost but low incidence. These services are basically offered within four large categories: Special Needs Children, School Improvement, Technology and Administrative services.

The Northwest Regional Education Service District (NWRES D) is funded through the SSF formula (4.5% of SSF) on an ADMw basis. The NWRES D’s funding model is

| <b>Operations</b>  | <b>Core</b>   | <b>Service Credits</b>                                  |
|--|---|---|
| 10%  | 25%   | 75%   |
|  | (of the remaining 90%)  | (of the remaining 90%)                                  |
| Fiscal services, HR, communications, superintendent office, facilities | Technology, Special Education Administration, Miscellaneous Services (service centers, home school, superintendent meetings, emergency closure network, county allocations) | Special education services, early intervention services |

For the past year, Beaverton has been in discussion with the NWRES D in an effort to change the Core Service model. Beaverton has not received its proportional value due in the current model. The table below summarizes NWRES D Core Services allocated and value received to Beaverton School District in 2013-14:

*The Beaverton School District recognizes the diversity and worth of all individuals and groups. It is the policy of the Beaverton School District that there will be no discrimination or harassment of individuals or groups based on race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, national origin, marital status, age, veterans' status, genetic information or disability in any educational programs, activities or employment.*

| <b>Core Service</b>              | <b>Allocation</b>  | <b>Value Received</b> | <b>Difference</b>  |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| School Improvement – New Model   | \$294,000          | \$294,000             | \$0                |
| Technology                       | \$1,300,000        | \$300,000             | \$1,000,000        |
| Special Education Administration | \$250,000          | \$160,000             | \$90,000           |
| Miscellaneous Core               | \$1,215,000        | \$1,000,000           | \$215,000          |
| <b>Total</b>                     | <b>\$3,059,000</b> | <b>\$1,754,000</b>    | <b>\$1,305,000</b> |

After several attempts to make changes to the model, it has been determined the best resolution for Beaverton will be to request 65% of NWRESD SSF revenues to be distributed directly to Beaverton School District.

Under the HB 3401 process, Beaverton will still be a regional partner with neighboring districts. However, Beaverton School Board will no longer be a voting member on the Local Service Plan.

This change in model for Beaverton Schools follows the path of other large districts in the state. Salem has fully opted out. Portland, Eugene and Hillsboro have all requested distribution of revenue in lieu of service.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**(13-334)** It is recommended that the School Board approve the following resolution.

**RESOLUTION TO REQUEST 65% of NWRESD STATE SCHOOL FUND REVENUES  
RECEIVED ON BEHALF OF THE BEAVERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT BE  
DISTRIBUTED DIRECTLY TO THE BEAVERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Resolution 13-334**

WHEREAS, House Bill 3401 was approved by the 2013 Oregon Legislature; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 3401 allows school districts in Clatsop, Columbia, Tillamook, Washington, Lane, Hood River and Wasco Counties to request up to 65% of all amounts received from the State School Fund and attributable to the school district directly from the Education Service District; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 3401 requires that a school district board must make a request to the Education Service District board by November 1 of the year prior to the school year for which the request is being made; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 3401 requires the school district board to designate the percentage of State School Fund attributable to the school district to be paid directly by the Education Service District; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 3401 states that school districts designating more than 50% of the State School Fund attributable to the school district may act only in advisory capacity for decisions made in relation to the governance of the education service district;

NOW THEREFORE, the Beaverton School District Board of Directors hereby notifies the Northwest Regional Education Service District Board of Directors that it elects to receive 65% of the Northwest Regional ESD State School Fund attributable to the Beaverton School District for the 2014-15 school year to be paid directly to the Beaverton School District.

This resolution serves as legal notification of this request. The Beaverton School District Board of Directors understands that by requesting 65% of the NWRESD State School Fund attributable to the Beaverton School District for the 2014-15 school year to be paid directly to the Beaverton School District that the District may act only in an advisory capacity for decisions made in relation to the governance of the education service district.

The Beaverton School District Board of Directors will review this decision for 2015-16 prior to November 1, 2014.

Beaverton School District:

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: Superintendent

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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