

To: Board of Education

From: Margo Empen, Superintendent

Subject: Action Item, Approve Permanent Transfer of Working Cash Fund Interest – June 25, 2025

PROPOSED MOTION BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

That the Board approve permanent transfer of working cash fund interest, as presented.

Moved by _____; Seconded by _____

YEA	NAY	YEA	NAY
_____ David Fritts	_____	_____ Brandon Rogers	_____
_____ Melissa Gates	_____	_____ Jon Wadsworth	_____
_____ Kathleen Schaefer	_____	_____ Linda Wegner	_____
_____ Linda LeBlanc-Parks	_____		

Background: The following information was provided by Mr. Campbell:

Although there are some restrictions and guidelines that must be followed, with a few specific exceptions, interest earned on district investments may be transferred to other funds in need of revenue. This is true only for interest revenue, not for regular fund revenue.

In each of the last several years, the Board has transferred accrued interest earned in the Working Cash Fund to the allowable fund in most need of additional revenues. Traditionally this has been transferred to the Education Fund. The transfer leaves the Working Cash Fund in place to earn additional interest and to be available for loan to other funds as needed, but makes the interest earned in the last year available for ordinary and necessary expenses in another fund. After reviewing projections, the fund currently in the most need would be the Transportation Fund.

The attached resolution has been prepared to make the recommended transfer. This is a permanent transfer of interest that will not be repaid. The resolution calls for the \$180,000.00 earned to date plus any additional interest earned in the Working Cash Fund on or before June 30, 2025, to be transferred to the Transportation Fund on that date. This amount is considerably greater than the previous years. One of the primary reasons for the transfer to the Transportation Fund cash balance is negative. ISBE will flag this in the budget and require action through a working cash transfer or loan, this will minimize that amount.

It is the recommendation of District Administration that the Board of Education adopt the attached resolution at its June 25, 2025 meeting.

