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**AGENDA**  
**EIA and Improvement Mechanisms Subcommittee**  
Monday, November 18, 2019  
10:00 a.m.  
Room 521, Blatt Building

- I. Welcome and Introductions .....Dr. Bob Couch
- II. Approval of Minutes of October 28, 2019.....Dr. Bob Couch
- III. *Information:* EIA 2018-19 Reports & 2020-21 Budget Requests
  - EIA, Part 1: <https://tinyurl.com/yylwtzc4>
  - EIA, Part 2: <https://tinyurl.com/y2xfagt3>
  - EIA, Part 3: <https://tinyurl.com/y2v88hlu>

Presentations:

- Reach Out and Read Carolinas..... Callee Boulware  
Executive Director
- Science PLUS.....Amy St. John  
Institute Coordinator, Roper Mountain Science Center
- Teach for America SC.....Troy Evans  
Executive Director
- SC Arts Commission ..... Ashley Brown  
Deputy Director
- Patriots Point Literacy & Distance Learning..... Keith Grybowski  
Director, Education & Camping
- SC Charter School District ..... Elliot Smalley  
Superintendent
- Charter Institute at Erskine..... Cameron Runyon  
Chief Executive Director
- Call Me MISTER ..... Dr. Roy Jones  
Director

- Ellen Weaver  
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- Brian Newsome
- Neil C. Robinson, Jr.
- Molly Spearman
- John C. Stockwell
- Patti J. Tate
- Scott Turner

- IV. Lunch
- V. Discussion & Recommendations .....Dr. Bob Couch  
For FY2020-21 Budget
- VI. Adjournment

Subcommittee Members:

Dr. Bob Couch, Chair  
April Allen  
Sen. Kevin Johnson  
Dr. Brian Newsome  
Ellen Weaver

Dr. Rainey Knight  
INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**SC Education Oversight Committee**  
**EIA and Improvement Mechanisms Subcommittee**

**October 28, 2019**

**Blatt 433**

EOC Members Present: Bob Couch, Chair; Sen. Kevin Johnson; Dr. Brian Newsom; and Ellen Weaver

EOC Staff Present: Dr. Rainey Knight, Hope Johnson-Jones, and Dana Yow

The minutes of May 10, 2019 were approved as distributed. Dr. Couch provided an overview of the process the subcommittee should follow, including the timeline and financial status of 2019-20 and 2020-2021 EIA Funds. Today, the subcommittee will begin hearing from leaders of EIA-funded programs. These individuals will be reporting on the activities during the 2018-19 year and the requests they are making for EIA funding for the upcoming fiscal year, 2020-2021.

The plan is to finalize the subcommittee's recommendations to the full EOC on November 18.

He reminded the subcommittee that recommendations for EIA funding will go forward to the full EOC on December 9 and if approved, go forward to the General Assembly as funding recommendations.

The EOC received 54 program requests for funds from EIA for 2020-21. Based on EIA program reports submitted for 2020-21, there is an increase in requests over 2019-20 of \$50,478,996 for a total request of \$911,213,996.

For fiscal year 2019-20, the August 23, 2019 EIA Revenue Estimate is \$872,131,167. Of that total, \$861,235,000 are designated Recurring Appropriations.

There is an unexpected surplus of \$10,896,167 in the current budget year. These funds are non-recurring (one-time) and are funds that this subcommittee can make recommendations for expenditures.

For Fiscal Year 2020-21, the year that begins July 1, 2020, the current Board of Economic Advisors (BEA) estimate (from August 23, 2019) is that EIA revenues are at estimated at \$906,972,413. The BEA is expected to release new estimates for EIA revenues on November 8, 2019 so the subcommittee should have those estimates before their next meeting.

Presentations were made to the EIA Subcommittee as follows:

**Emily Heatwole, Director, Communication & Governmental Affairs, SC Department of Education (SCDE)**

Ms. Heatwole provided an overview of EIA requests made by the SCDE. She provided additional detail regarding programs for which increased funding was being requested. The programs included Instructional Materials, CERDEP, Industry Certifications, the Grants Committee and Teacher Salary Supplement. The specifics for the request are included in the program reports submitted to the EOC. Ms. Heatwole will submit answers to follow-up questions for clarification and additional information before the next EIA Subcommittee Meeting.

### **Jim Morris, CEO and Amanda Stiglbauer, SC Council on Economic Education**

SC Economics had over 426% growth in teacher participation over the last 6 years. The number of teachers who participated and the number of students impacted increased substantially since state funding was established from 279 teachers in 2012-13 to 1,190 in 2018-19. Mr. Morris and Ms. Stiglbauer provided an overview of the work done with teachers across the state with regards to economic education, especially with the addition of financial literacy as a state requirement.

### **Georgia Mjartan, Executive Director, SC First Steps (SCFS)**

The number of Parents as Teachers for home visitations decreased to 21,075 but Adult-Child Interactive Reading Inventors shows a slight increase in average gain from 14.6% to 15.3%. Child Care quality, using the Environment Rating Scale, averaged a gain of 10%. Though the number of providers participating decreased from, 128 to 121, enrollment in 4K increased to 2,467. The budget for summer and afterschool requests as well as a summary of funding and enrollment was also provided by Ms. Mjartan.

### **Dr. Tom Peters, Director, SC Coalition for Math and Science (SCCMS)**

Dr. Peters shared a summary of the budget request as reflected in the program review request as well as grants award by the Coalition. With the help of strategic partners to align resources, STEM engages organizations to support the Grand Challenges in STEM education, and support teachers and schools by training educators and others. The EIA subcommittee asked about STEM programs that could integrate by engaging partners to improve STEM teaching using more than a “one-and-done” approach with a focus on underserved districts. STEM provides technical assistance to Million Women Mentors SC and other organizations as well as researching STEM teaching and learning to enhance its programs.

### **Jane Turner, Executive Director, CERRA**

The ProTeam Program was offered in 28 schools serving 1,554 students and provided services and support at 40 sites, serving 1,245 students. While the Teacher Cadet Program was offered in 76 schools serving 2,991 students. Teaching Fellows Program had 968 complete applications received from 201 schools and 197 fellowships awarded for 2019 cohort. Ms. Turner shared a summary of the budget request as reflected in the program review request highlighting the need for funds for additional Teaching Fellows. SC Mentor Training and Certification was offered to 2,156 participants who completed mentor training and 64 participants who completed certifications. The Rural Recruitment Initiative identified 36 districts with 11% or higher annual teacher turnover. Twenty-eight (28) districts were eligible to participate and \$8,603,903 was dispersed in funds. In 2018, data reported 17 districts showing improvement. Ten districts had fewer teachers leaving and twelve districts had fewer vacancies.

There being no further requests to present before the subcommittee, the subcommittee adjourned.