To: Board of Education

From: Kathy Johnson, director, finance, ext. 2376

Re: 2017-2018 KASB Legal Assistance Fund Contract & Service Fee

Date: April 6, 2017

Background:

The purpose of the KASB Legal Assistance Fund is:

- 1. To provide supportive assistance to boards of education in cases or controversies pertaining to the classification, organization, regulations, maintenance, operation, financing and management of school districts in the state of Kansas.
- 2. To supplement, not replace, legal services available to boards of education.
- 3. To report and analyze current state and federal decisions, legislation and administrative rules and regulations for participating boards.
- 4. To serve as a repository of selected court decisions affecting the operation of schools in Kansas.
- 5. To heighten school officials' awareness of the impact and importance of court decisions.

The district has used this service available through the Kansas Association of School Boards for many years. The fee for the current year is \$1,650, and there will be no increase to the 2017-2018 contract fee which covers services from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Recommendation:

Administration recommends that the board continue its membership in the KASB Legal Assistance Fund.

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Motion:

"I move the Board of Education approve KASB's Legal Assistance Fund 2017-2018 annual contract and services fee of \$1,650."