MEMO

To: Amerita Tell From: Kelly Riley

Date: February 14, 2000 Subject: Michael Clark

Mr. Clark phoned on 2/10 and wanted to know what hardcore numbers Governor Musgrove could provide on increasing teacher pay. Mr. Clark is working towards his bachelors in education. I explained that Governor Musgrove will be working with the Legislature to develop these numbers, but he proposes dedicating the normal 5% growth in the budget to teachers' salaries. Mr. Clark asked why different teachers make different amounts and I explained that each teacher negotiates his/her contract w/ the district. He asked if I could send him a list of teacher salaries by district. I told him that I would have to obtain this information from the State Department if it was available.

Today, I am mailing Mr. Clark the attached copies of pp. 139-142 of SDE's 2000 Annual Report which provides "Average Salary Classroom Teachers 1998-1999" by district.

This case is closed.

February 14, 2000

Michael Clark 8221 Highway 39 North, Apt. 11-B Meridian, MS 39305

Dear Mr. Clark:

Per your request, enclosed you will find average teacher salaries by school district in Mississippi. I obtained this information from the "Mississippi Department of Education, 2000 Superintendent's Annual Report."

If I may be of any further assistance, please contact me in the future.

Very truly yours,

Kelly L. Riley Policy Liaison

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