# **OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Office of the Superintendent of Schools

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TO: Board of Education

FROM: Devin Dillon, Ph.D., Interim Superintendent Tara Gard, Deputy Chief Talent Officer, Talent Division

SUBJECT: Application for Variable Term Waivers – CBEST and Program - California Commission on Teacher Credentialing- Named Employees for School Year 2016-2017

## **ACTION REQUESTED**

Approval by the Board of Education of Resolution No. 1617-0151 - Application for Variable Term Waiver, CBEST and Program – California Commission on Teacher Credentialing – on behalf of the following employees for School Year 2016-2017:

- 1. Sahle Asghede, 6-8th Grade Newcomer Multiple Subjects, Alliance Academy;
- 2. Frank Forte, 10-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Mathematics, Castlemont High School.

## BACKGROUND

Since July 1994, the Commission on Teacher Credentialing has had the authority to issue waiver documents that have expressly to do with educator preparation and credentialing and with the ability of employers to employ or assign persons who are not appropriately credentialed for their assignment. All other waivers are under the legal authority of the State Board of Education or the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

A Waiver is issued or denied based upon the Commission's established criteria and factors such as an employer's continuing needs; the support the employer will provide to the applicant; or extenuating, extraordinary and unanticipated circumstances.

When an employing agency reviews its staffing needs and starts recruiting for various positions, all attempts must be made to fill a position with an appropriately credentialed employee. Employing agencies are required to first recruit a candidate who is qualified to participate in and enrolls in an approved internship program in the region of the employing agency and secondly, a candidate who is scheduled to complete preliminary credential requirements within six months.

If a fully credentialed candidate is not available employing agencies must recruit candidates in this order:

- A candidate who is scheduled to complete his or her preliminary credential requirements within six months
- A candidate who is qualified to participate and to enroll in an internship program
- A candidate who qualifies to use a local assignment option
- A candidate who qualifies for the Provisional Internship Permit (PIP) or the Short Term Staff Permit (STSP)

If the employer is unable to find an individual who qualifies for one of the staffing options listed above, the Variable Term Waiver may be requested for the most qualified candidate.

## DISCUSSION

The Board of Education, as the Governing Board, may approve an application seeking a Variable Term Waiver, from the Commission on Teacher Credentialing, as may be necessary for certain certificated employees of the District. For the 2016-2017 school year, CBEST waivers are being sought for the following employees:

- 1. Sahle Asghede, 6-8th Grade Newcomer Multiple Subjects, Alliance Academy;
- 2. Frank Forte, 10-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Mathematics, Castlemont High School.

Sahle Asghede is requesting a Variable Term CBEST Multiple Subject waiver. Mr. Asghede graduated from University of Asmara in Eritrea with a Bachelor's in Educational Administration. This waiver will allow him time to complete CBEST.

Frank Forte is requesting a Variable Term Single Subject: Mathematics Program Waiver. Mr. Forte graduated from California State University, East Bay with a Bachelor's in Engineering. This waiver will allow him time to complete requirements to enroll in a University Intern credentialing program.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

None.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Approval by the Board of Education of Resolution No. 1617-0151 - Application for Variable Term Waiver, CBEST and Program – California Commission on Teacher Credentialing – on behalf of the following employees for School Year 2016-2017:

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#### RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Resolution No. 1617-0151

- Application for Variable Term Waivers, CBEST and Program – California Commission on Teacher Credentialing – Named Employees for School Year 2016-2017 -

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education, may approve an application to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing seeking a Variable Term Program Waiver, as may be necessary for a certificated employee of the District for a specific period of time,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approves the Application for Variable Term Waiver, CBEST and Program – to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing in behalf of the candidates listed below for School Year 2016-2017:

- 1. Sahle Asghede, 6-8th Grade Newcomer Multiple Subjects, Alliance Academy;
- 2. Frank Forte, 10-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Mathematics, Castlemont High School.

Passed by the following vote:

- AYES: Aimee Eng, Roseann Torres, Jumoke Hinton Hodge, Jody London, Shanthi Gonzales, Vice President Nina Senn, President James Harris
- NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a Resolution passed at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Oakland Unified School District held March 22, 2017.

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