MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION Rockville, Maryland

July 15, 2021

MEMORANDUM

To/From: Members of the Board of Education

Subject: Examination of Student Achievement Data for English Speakers of Other

Languages and Latino Students

WHEREAS, On July 14, 2020, the Board of Education adopted a new business item titled Examination of Student Achievement Data for English Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) and Latino Students, which required the superintendent of schools to hire an external consultant to conduct this review, including convening a stakeholder commission (Resolution No. 381-20); and

WHEREAS, Request for Proposal 4898.1, Consultant for the Examination of English Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Instructional Practices and Program Models, was issued on September 22, 2020, and three responsive proposals were received and reviewed for alignment with the scope of work; and

WHEREAS, The superintendent of schools recommends that the Request for Proposal 4898.1, Consultant for the Examination of English Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Instructional Practices and Program Models, be rejected, and a new Request for Proposal be released without limitations on the timeline for completion and allow respondents to project cost; and

WHEREAS, The reissued Request for Proposals will align with the scope of work outlined in the July 14, 2020, resolution, and will look comprehensively at resources dedicated to services for ESOL students; review multiple measures of student performance for students receiving ESOL services and Latinx/Hispanic students, including state assessments and graduation rates; and build on the work to date of workgroups and offices regarding ESOL services at both the elementary and secondary levels; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education amend Examination of Student Achievement Data for English Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) and Latino Students (Resolution 381-20) to remove the specified project completion date of March 31, 2021, and allow respondents to submit proposed project costs.

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