

Arkansas Department of Higher Education

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Asa Hutchinson Governor Dr. Brett Powell Director

July 1, 2016

The Honorable Jimmy Hickey, Jr., Chair The Honorable Chris Richey, Chair Arkansas Lottery Legislative Oversight Committee State Capitol Building Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Senator Hickey and Representative Richey:

Pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotated 23-115-801 (d) (2), I am requesting your review of the Arkansas Department of Higher Education expenses for Fiscal 2016 for the reimbursable administrative costs associated with the scholarships awarded funded with the net proceeds of the Arkansas Lottery. The request represents \$436,995.78 in direct costs. The attached report shows expenses for fiscal year ended June 30, 2016, by category.

Upon completion of your review, the department shall submit the expenses to the Arkansas Lottery Commission for reimbursement to the Higher Education Grants Fund.

Should you require additional information, please let me know and we will be happy to provide.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Brett A. Powell, Ed.D.

Director

Arkansas Department of Higher Education Academic Challenge Scholarship Administrative Expense Fiscal 2016 23-115-801

	4thQrtFY15	Total. FY15	1stQrtFY16	2ndQrtFY16	3rdQrtFY16	4thQrtFY16	Total. FY16
Salaries	\$45,538.29	\$253,894.63	\$44,058.19	\$63,723.13	\$54,019.90	\$66,264.06	\$228,065.28
Benefits	\$10,308.22	\$56,944.45	\$9,768.85	\$14,114.69	\$12,059.87	\$14,677.45	\$50,620.86
Extra Help	\$0.00	\$10,406.61	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Travel	\$0.00	\$8,700.51	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Office Supplies		\$0.00		\$801.83			\$801.83
Network Services	\$943.34	\$3,773.35	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$6,000.00
Info. Tech. Hardware		\$16,278.06		\$3,909.83		\$26,729.23	\$30,639.06
Info. Tech. Software		\$9,884.88	\$1,199.00	\$0.00	\$1,205.51	\$11,394.64	\$13,799.15
Rents and Leases		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Professional Fees	\$3,295.00	\$138,603.51	\$26,767.40	\$26,767.40	\$26,767.40	\$26,767.40	\$107,069.60
Total Direct:	\$60,084.85	\$498,486.00	\$83,293.44	\$110,816.88	\$95,552.68	\$147,332.78	\$436,995.78

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Authorized Title	Hourly Rate	Annual Salary	Туре
DHE PROGRAM SPECIALIST	\$20.19	\$41,986.00	Full Time
DHE PROGRAM SPECIALIST	\$17.91	\$37,259.00	Full Time
DHE PROGRAM SPECIALIST	\$15.82	\$32,987.00	Full Time
DHE PROGRAM COORDINATOR	\$36.05	\$74,987.00	Full Time
DHE PROGRAM SPECIALIST	\$17.91	\$37,259.00	Full Time
Total		\$224,478.00	