6.F.a. ADVISORY COMMITTEE SUPPORTING SCHEDULE ~ PART A

81st Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1
Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST)

Agency Code: **703** Agency: **Texas Education Agency**

CONTINUING AC FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION

Statutory Authorization: IDEA-B (PL 105--17); TEC §29.006
Number of Members: 17
Committee Status: Ongoing
Date Created: 09/01/1976
Date to Be Abolished: N/A

Strategy (Strategies): 2-3-2 AGENCY OPERATIONS

Advisory Committee Costs	**Expended 2007**	**Estimated 2008**	**Budgeted 2009**	**Requested 2010**	**Requested 2011**
Committee Members Direct Expenses					
Travel	$8,627	$15,884	$20,760	$24,912	$29,891
Total, Committee Expenditures	**$8,627**	**$15,884**	**$20,760**	**$24,912**	**$29,891**
Method of Financing					
Federal Funds	$8,627	$15,884	$20,760	$24,912	$29,891
Total, Method of Financing	**$8,627**	**$15,884**	**$20,760**	**$24,912**	**$29,891**
Meetings Per Fiscal Year	4	15	15	15	15

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Description and Justification for Continuation/Consequences of Abolishing

This committee advises the Agency on the unmet needs of students with disabilities; comments publicly on rules or regulations proposed by the State; advises the Agency in developing action plans to address findings identified in federal monitoring reports; advises the Agency on the education of eligible students with disabilities who have been convicted as adults and incarcerated in adult prisons; advises the Agency in developing and implementing policies related to the coordination of services for children with disabilities; and advises the Agency in developing evaluations and reporting on data to the U.S. Department of Education. The members of this committee are appointed by the governor and the continuation of the committee is a federal requirement under the Individuals with Disabilities in Education Act. By not continuing or abolishing this committee, the Agency will be out of compliance with federal regulations and subject to having substantial federal funds withheld.

Pending approval to exceed the expenditure reimbursement limit set by Art. IX, Section 4.04 (f)(1) of the General Appropriations Act.

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STATE TEXTBOOK ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Statutory Authorization: TEC §31.003
Number of Members: 106
Committee Status: Ongoing
Date Created: 09/01/1996
Date to Be Abolished: N/A

Strategy (Strategies): 2-3-2 AGENCY OPERATIONS

Advisory Committee Costs	**Expended 2007**	**Estimated 2008**	**Budgeted 2009**	**Requested 2010**	**Requested 2011**
Committee Members Direct Expenses					
Travel	$113,289	$0	$137,724	$78,115	$80,685
Other Expenditures in Support of Committee Activities					
Other Operating	8,505	591	59,000	23,206	24,175
Total, Committee Expenditures	**$121,794**	**$591**	**$196,724**	**$101,321**	**$104,860**
Method of Financing					
State Textbook Fund	$121,794	$591	$196,724	$101,321	$104,860
Total, Method of Financing	**$121,794**	**$591**	**$196,724**	**$101,321**	**$104,860**
Meetings Per Fiscal Year	10	0	25	15	15

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The members of the state textbook committees are responsible for evaluating all instructional materials submitted for adoption, recommending the submissions to be placed on either the conforming or non-conforming lists and submitting any factual errors in the materials. The committee is a statutory requirement that goes beyond the commissioner's advisory committee authority in TEC §7.055 (b) (11). Abolishment of the committee would result in the State Board of Education not being able to fulfill its statutory obligation to "provide for a full and complete investigation of textbooks for each subject" in the foundation and enrichment curricula in accordance with TEC §31.022.

The number of members vary from year to year depending on each content area and the number of products being evaluated. Number of members listed is the current amount for 2007; estimated number of members for 2009 = 170, 2010 = 98, and 2011 = 102.

In 2008 there was not a textbook adoption per legislative directive, therefore the expenses are less. Proclamation 2010, issued by the State Board of Education in November 2007, will result in textbooks offered by publishers being evaluated in 2009 resulting in higher expenditures.

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TITLE 1 PRACTITIONERS/ED-FLEX AC

Statutory Authorization: PL 107-110 Section 1903 (b)
Number of Members: 25
Committee Status: Ongoing
Date Created: 03/28/2001
Date to Be Abolished: N/A

Strategy (Strategies): 2-3-2 AGENCY OPERATIONS

Advisory Committee Costs	**Expended 2007**	**Estimated 2008**	**Budgeted 2009**	**Requested 2010**	**Requested 2011**
Committee Members Direct Expenses					
Travel	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Total, Committee Expenditures	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**
Method of Financing					
Fed Health Ed Welf Fd	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Total, Method of Financing	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**
Meetings Per Fiscal Year	6	6	6	6	6

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Committee of Practitioners is required by No Child Left Behind statute to review, before publication, any proposed or final State rule or regulation pursuant to Public Law 107-110. They also serve as the State Ed-Flex Committee to review individual programmatic waiver applications and make recommendations to the Commissioner.

Members charge travel to their local Title I program.

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COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS STATE AC

Statutory Authorization: 77th Leg. HB 2879 Section 16 (a)
Number of Members: 9
Committee Status: Ongoing
Date Created: 04/01/2002
Date to Be Abolished: N/A

Strategy (Strategies): 2-3-2 AGENCY OPERATIONS

Advisory Committee Costs	**Expended 2007**	**Estimated 2008**	**Budgeted 2009**	**Requested 2010**	**Requested 2011**
Committee Members Direct Expenses					
Travel	$700	$3,192	$3,192	$3,192	$3,192
Total, Committee Expenditures	**$700**	**$3,192**	**$3,192**	**$3,192**	**$3,192**
Method of Financing					
Federal Funds	$700	$3,192	$3,192	$3,192	$3,192
Total, Method of Financing	**$700**	**$3,192**	**$3,192**	**$3,192**	**$3,192**
Meetings Per Fiscal Year	4	5	8	6	6

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This advisory committee was legislatively mandated, in HB 2879 in the 77th legislative session, to meet the National Communities in Schools (CIS) organizational structure requirement that all state programs establish a CIS state board to provide guidance, advice, and support for the Communities in Schools program statewide.

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SELECT COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTABILITY

Statutory Authorization: 80th Legislature, RS, SB1031
Number of Members: 13
Committee Status: New
Date Created: 01/24/2008
Date to Be Abolished: 12/31/2008

Strategy (Strategies): 2-3-2 AGENCY OPERATIONS

Advisory Committee Costs	**Expended 2007**	**Estimated 2008**	**Budgeted 2009**	**Requested 2010**	**Requested 2011**
Committee Members Direct Expenses					
Travel	$0	$30,000	$5,000	$0	$0
Total, Committee Expenditures	**$0**	**$30,000**	**$5,000**	**$0**	**$0**
Method of Financing					
Foundation School Fund	$0	$30,000	$5,000	$0	$0
Total, Method of Financing	**$0**	**$30,000**	**$5,000**	**$0**	**$0**
Meetings Per Fiscal Year	0	8	2	0	0

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Due to SB1031, a 15-member committee was established to review the accountability system and make recommendations regarding the structure of the system. The Agency established an administrative budget of $35,000 to cover 9 non-legislative committee members' and 4 legislative staff members' expenses. The committee shall provide a report not later than December 1, 2008. Based on these parameters, funding to cover committee expenses should remain in place long enough to cover all expenses incurred by committee members and legislative staff through December 2008. After that, this committee will be discontinued.