

**OFFICE OF EDUCATIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY**  
**Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Item**  
**April 14-15, 2011**

**OFFICE OF SCHOOL FINANCIAL SERVICES**

34. Approval to contract with Suzanne E. Smith, CPA, to serve as the financial advisor for the Greenville Public School District

- Awarded Vendor: Suzanne E. Smith, CPA  
Meridian, Mississippi

Scope of Project: The purpose of this contract is to retain the services of Suzanne E. Smith, CPA, to serve as the financial advisor for the Greenville Public School District based on notification from the State Auditor's Office of the serious financial condition of the district. The contractor will perform the duties in accordance with Section 37-9-18 of the Mississippi Code to include, but not limited to the following:

- approve or disapprove all expenditures and/or financial obligations of the Greenville Public School District;
- ensure compliance with any statutes and State Board of Education rules or regulations concerning expenditures by school districts;
- work with the school district's business office to correct all inappropriate accounting procedures and/or uses of school districts funds; and
- report frequently or as requested to the State Board of Education on the corrective actions being taken and the progress being made in the school district.

Personnel associated with this contract are not a former Department employee or related to any Department employees.

Scope of Contract:

- Term of Contract: July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012
- Total Amount to be Awarded: \$85,000
- Method of Award: Pool of Service Providers
- Funding Source: State funds

\*As specified in Section 37-9-18(2)(e), Mississippi Code of 1972, Ann., the school district is responsible for all expenses associated with the use of the financial advisor.

Recommendation: Approval