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## **DISTRESSED UNIT APPEAL BOARD EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT MARCH 26, 2018**

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the emergency management of Gary Community School Corporation and Muncie Community Schools and actions of the Distressed Unit Appeal Board ("DUAB") executive director since the last Executive Director's Report on March 2, 2018. The information below should not be considered complete documentation of all actions taken by the emergency managers, as the statements below highlight only specific actions taken by the emergency managers and meetings held in the timeframe covered by this report.

### Gary Community School Corporation

- A parent meeting was held at Banneker Achievement Center on March 8 to discuss the proposed transition to a middle school. The emergency manager laid out plans to relocate the existing Banneker gifted and talented program to Marquette Elementary.
- On March 22, Gary Community School Corporation held a Kindergarten Round-Up to facilitate and encourage kindergarten registration for the 2018-2019 school year.
- Gary Community School Corporation has been notified that it has been awarded a grant for the FUSE program, funded through Boeing Corporation. The grant will fund STEAM curriculum at the new middle school.

### Muncie Community Schools

- The emergency management team has accepted an offer from Ball State University for the sale of vacant Mitchell and Sutton Elementary Schools. The sale of the properties will net Muncie Community Schools \$435,000. Closing is expected in mid-April.
- Contract Approvals
  - Pursuant to DUAB Resolution 2017-1, the Executive Director has approved the following contractual obligations over \$30,000 and less than \$250,000 for Muncie Community Schools:
    - Network Solutions, Incorporated - \$49,476.80.
      - Muncie Community Schools is applying for E-Rate funding for this project which could fund 85% of the project, making Muncie Community Schools' total expense to be \$7,421.52.