Questions Remain:
The distribution of the Proposed $203 million Fiscal Stabilization money?
The $50 million Performance Grants?
The $75 million in New NY Education Reform Commission Initiatives:
  • (Full-day Prekindergarten: $25 million, Extended Learning Time: $20 million, Community Schools: $15 million, Reward High Performing teachers: $11 million, Early College High School programs: $4 million)
Reallocation of High Tax Aid ($50 million)?
Status and Merit of Stable Pension Contribution Rate Proposal?
Changes in Building Aid?
The Ask –Governor, Legislators & Board of Regents

• SSFC Legislative Agenda 2013-14 ---This agenda addresses our three priorities:
  • State Aid Distributions that have Equity, Sufficiency and Timeliness
  • 1.) Get rid of the GEA as fast as possible:
    – Any formula must include a distribution that that takes into account both Poverty and Fiscal Capacity
    – Remove any and all money for non-essential programs
      – performance grants– unproven and untested
      – and other funding to redundant or unproven programs
    – Avoid all temptation to divert funds for political purpose
      – Do not recreate the shares agreement with additional Foundation Aid
      – Reallocate Bullet aid to the reduction of the GEA
  • 2.) Form or repurpose a qualified non-political commission that will propose legislation for:
    – the creation of an equitable Foundation Aid formula for 2014-15 (Include changes to- IWI floor, Narrow Regional Cost index, equity alterations to Administrative efficiency and High tax aid, elimination of the use of the inappropriate N/RC in all formulas, inequitable use of poverty and local tax effort metrics within the formula.)
    – additional funds to support school district mergers and regional high schools
    – additional funds for Kindergarten and Pre K programs
    – the elimination or reduction of cost drivers that impede the mission of school districts
      – Triborough revisions (not elimination)
      – Access or directed membership to a state wide health insurance plan
      – Statewide minimum health insurance contributions
      – Automatic removal and loss of license of personnel convicted of crimes (example)
  • 3.) The Board of Regents must also action to support your effort:
    – State aid distributions as proposed above
    – Mandate Relief as noted above