Minnesota Department of Education

January 27, 2012

Mr. John Klarich, Superintendent
Mountain Iron-Buhl School District (0712-01)
5529 Emerald Avenue
Mountain Iron, MN 55768

Dear Mr. Klarich:

The Division of School Finance has received your request dated January 11, 2012 for the tuition billing system to include the unreimbursed general education costs for the Mesa Academy (Site 010), a care and treatment facility as defined by Minnesota Statute 125A.515. This appeal is for FY 2011. In accordance with Minnesota Statute § 125A.11 Subdivision 1, the request for additional revenue to cover the unreimbursed general education costs is approved.

The following information was used to calculate the unreimbursed costs as authorized by Minnesota Statute 125A.11, Subdivision 1:

0712-01	**Mesabi Academy (010)**	**FY 2011**
Line No.	**Description**	**Cost/Calculations**
1	Hours Per Day	6.00
2	Days Per School Year	171
1 x 2 = 3	Hours Per 1.0 ADM from MARSS End-of-Year Submission	1026
4	Total ADM from MARSS End-of-Year Submission	51.35
4 x 3 = 5	Total Membership Hours (including 9,039.06 Non-Residents)	52,756.92
6	Number of Weighted Average Daily Memberships (WADM)	66.275
7	General Education Revenue per WADM	$5,861.18
6 x 7 = 8	Total General Education Revenue	$388,834.10
9	Total Expenditures Finance 000 from UFARS 1/8/2011	$593,032.69
9 – 8 = 10	Unreimbursed General Education Expenditures	$204,198.59
10 / 5 = 11	Unreimbursed Costs per Membership Hour	$3.88

If you should have any questions, please direct them to Michelle Jones at 651-582-8577 or email to michelle.jones@state.mn.us.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED JANUARY 27, 2012

Brenda Cassellius, Ed.D.
Commissioner

cc: Carol Hokenson, Manager, Division of School Finance
George Holt, Supervisor, Division of School Finance
Michelle Jones, Division of School Finance