
**CIXIV
TRANSITIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS
SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD**

OFFICIAL REPORT

**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 20, 2016
ST. LOUIS, MO**

M I N U T E S

The Special Administrative Board of the Transitional School District of the City of St. Louis held a special board meeting on the above date. The meeting was held in Room 108 of the Administrative Building, 801 North 11th Street. The meeting was called to act on the Superintendent's recommendations for school closures/consolidations for the 2017-2018 school year and to act on the District's Audit for year ended June 30, 2016. Those in attendance were Mr. Rick Sullivan, Mrs. Darnetta Clinkscale, Mr. Richard K. Gaines, Dr. Kelvin R. Adams, Ms. Ruth Lewis and General Counsel, Jeffrey St. Omer of Mickes O'Toole, LLC.

Mr. Sullivan called for roll call at 6:03PM.

AYE: Mrs. Darnetta Clinkscale, Mr. Richard K. Gaines, Mr. Rick Sullivan

The Board and audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016 AUDIT REPORT

The District's Annual Audit for year ended June 30, 2016 was given Mr. Jeff Winter of Rubin Brown and Mr. Harry Rich, Chairman of the District's Audit Committee.

For the 2016 audit engagement, Mr. Winter reported an unmodified clean opinion on the District's financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2016. State compliance areas under budgetary statutes, transportation rules and regulations as well as pupil attendance were also issued an unmodified clean opinion. The District had a positive surplus of \$2M as opposed to a negative surplus from the last two audit years.

There was 1 management letter comment over financial reporting that was a repeated comment from last year. Although the adjustments have to be reported as required, no material weakness were issued because there were fewer adjustments and far less reconciliations issues as in past audit periods. Regarding federal programs, there were 2 findings issued last year. The District implemented the recommendations from last year and therefore no finding were repeated in this area.

Mr. Rich commended the District's management for meeting the objectives of the Audit Committee to pre-prepare for the audit for an efficient transition; to make sure assets are available to carry out the audit; to assure the presentation of the audit to the Board is done in a timely fashion to meet the end-of-year calendar deadline for submission to DESE; and to make improvements in the financial records and

financial controls. The Committee recommended that the District develop a “Plan” of same for subsequent year-end audits reviews.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Superintendent Dr. Kelvin Adams gave a follow-up presentations on Portfolio Planning and Proposed School Actions for the 2017-2018 School Year. A summary of the report is noted below.

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS	
CLAY	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Remain neighborhood school. 2. Re-theme school. 3. Explore partnerships to expand service hours and before and afterschool opportunities. 4. Aggressively recruit from the community. 5. Set enrollment targets for the next three years.
COTE BRILLIANTE*	<u>CONSOLIDATE INTO NEIGHBORING SCHOOL.</u> (WILL WORK WITH THOSE EFFECTED FAMILIES FOR MAGNET SCHOOL PLACEMENT FOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR)
FARRAGUT	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Remain neighborhood school. 2. Re-theme school. 3. Location for students assigned to Columbia as it converts to a fully Gifted school. 4. Set enrollment targets for the next three years.
HODGEN	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Remain neighborhood school. 2. Re-theme school.
LACLEDE	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Remain neighborhood school. 2. Re-theme school with a possible reconfiguration. 3. Set enrollment targets for the next three years.
WALBRIDGE	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Remain neighborhood school. 2. Re-theme school. 3. Aggressively recruit from the community. 4. Set enrollment targets for the next three years.
LANGSTON*	<u>CONSOLIDATE INTO NEIGHBORING SCHOOL.</u> (WILL WORK WITH THOSE EFFECTED FAMILIES FOR MAGNET SCHOOL PLACEMENT FOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR)
LONG	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Remain neighborhood middle school. 2. Re-theme school. 3. Set enrollment targets for the next three years.
NORTHWEST	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Remain as a Magnet School with an enhanced theme 2. Consolidate Football program with Sumner.
ROOSEVELT	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Remain neighborhood school. 2. Re-theme school. 3. Possible Consolidation of NCNAA High School grades into Roosevelt. 4. Consolidate Football program with Cleveland: <i>Removed tentatively. State indicated not the year to move forward. Will reassess recommendation next school year.</i>

These reports can be viewed in their entirety on the District’s website.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Mr. Sullivan called for a motion and a second to approve Resolution Number 12-20-16-01. On a motion by Mrs. Clinkscale and seconded by Mr. Gaines, on the following roll call vote, the Board voted to approve Resolution Number 12-20-16-01

AYE: Mrs. Clinkscale, Mr. Gaines, Mr. Sullivan

NAY: None

The motion passed.

12-20-16-01 To approve the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and the Compliance Report for Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2016.

Mr. Sullivan called for a motion and a second to approve Resolution Number 12-20-16-02. On a motion by Mrs. Clinkscale and seconded by Mr. Gaines, on the following roll call vote, the Board voted to approve Resolution Number 12-20-16-02

AYE: Mrs. Clinkscale, Mr. Gaines, Mr. Sullivan

NAY: None

The motion passed.

***12-20-16-02** To approve and adopt the Superintendent's 2017-2018 Portfolio Plan Recommendations which includes the consolidation of Cote Brillante Elementary School and the consolidation of Langston Middle School effective with the 2017-2018 school session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business or updates before the Board, on a motion by Mr. Gaines and seconded by Mrs. Clinkscale on the following roll call vote, the Board voted to adjourn at 6:25PM.

AYE: Mrs. Clinkscale, Mr. Gaines, Mr. Sullivan

NAY: None

The motion passed.

¹ This item was moved from the December 8, 2016 Consent Agenda under the January 10, 2017 Items for Consideration Agenda, Resolution Number 01-10-17-02.