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TRANSITIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS
SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD
OFFICIAL REPORT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JULY 26, 2017
ST. LOUIS, MO

M I N U T E S

The Special Administrative Board (SAB) of the Transitional School District of the City of St. Louis convened on the above date at the Administrative Building, in Room 108, 801 North 11th Street, St. Louis, MO 63101. Members in attendance were Mr. Rick Sullivan, Mrs. Darnetta Clinkscale, and Mr. Richard K. Gaines. Also in attendance were Superintendent Dr. Kelvin Adams, Ms. Ruth Lewis and General Counsel Jeffrey St. Omer, of Mickes O'Toole, LLC.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 5:58PM on the following roll call.

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

A quorum was present.

The Board and audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

STUDENT/STAFF RECOGNITIONS

Will resume the 2017-2018 School Year

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Danny Flowers appeared for the 10th time before the Board retelling his position in response to the District's 11-9-16 final decision letter denying his claim for financial reimbursement for damages sustained to his vehicle as a result of a theft while parked outside in front of Beaumont High School. Under Board policy Mr. Flowers' claim was ineligible.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Sullivan called for a motion and a second to approve the June 22, 2017 open session minutes. On a motion by Mrs. Clinkscale and seconded by Mr. Gaines, on the following roll call vote, the Board voted to approve the June 22, 2017 minutes.

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

NAY: None

The motion passed.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT(S)

Informational Item(s)

Superintendent Adams presented the New Initiatives for the 2017-2018 School Year. A snapshot of the report is below. The full report can be viewed on the District's website.

ACADEMICS

➤ Data (Ongoing)

- ~ Creation of Uniform data protocols across the District.
- ~ Improved interim Assessment Strategy.
- ~ Reorganization of the Academic Office, functions and accountability metrics.

➤ Professional Development

- ~ Differentiated School Leader PLE (PD committee)

➤ Classroom Environment

- ~ Increased focus on SLPS' young boys (i.e.: Brilliant Boys initiative).
- ~ Target culturally responsive teaching.
- ~ Expansion of Love of Learning 2.0.

➤ Standards – Based Report Card (PK-2)

- ~ The implementation of a new standards based, parent-friendly report card for students in grade levels Pre-K to 2 developed to align with measuring student performance and progress according to Missouri Learning Standards and requirements of DRDP.

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

- ~ All school-based staff to participate in introductory trauma training August 2017 through *Alive & Well*. Central Office and other staff to receive training in the fall of 2017.
- ~ 16 schools will participate in in-depth trauma informed training and direct behavioral health support (pending procedural review) over the course of the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 school years.
- ~ Partnership with Barnes Jewish Hospital to provide 4 nurses and 4 behavioral therapists (pending procedural review) to Lexington, Laclede, Woodward and Hodgen Schools.
- ~ 8 schools will participate in a Restorative Justice Cohort facilitated by Education Plus

INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT - RECRUITMENT PLAN

➤ PHASE 1: June - July 2017

- ~ Focus on 5 key re-themed schools (Clay, Hodgen, Laclede, Long and Walbridge) from 2016-2017 Portfolio Planning

➤ PHASE 2: July - August 2017

- ~ Focus on 5 historically under-enrolled schools (Ames, Ashland, Humboldt, Jefferson and Shenandoah).

➤ PHASE 3: September - November 2017

- ~ Magnet School recruitment for 2018-2019.

➤ PHASE 4: November – February 2017/2018

- ~ Create and execute 3-year recruitment strategy.

OPERATIONS

- ~ Custodians returned to 12 month status.
- ~ Intensive training for cleanliness and safety of District buildings.
- ~ Equipment upgrades and instituting a refurbishing program for wood floors.
- ~ Safety and Security will install and update security equipment at various schools.
- ~ FNS will implement 17 *Grab and Go Breakfast Cart Program* at 11 high schools, 4 middle schools and 1 elementary school. The *Breakfast in the Classroom Program* will be implemented at 1 elementary school.

TECHNOLOGY SERVICES AND ACCOUNTABILITY

- ~ Configuration and activation of approved disaster recovery data center to facilitate data protection and system redundancy in addition to ensuring timely recovery, initiation, and operation of District software systems and data services in the event of a disaster.
- ~ Tyler/SIS's new 360 model and framework to facilitate user-friendly interaction between teacher – parents - student by offering real-time on-line access to student data and information.
- ~ Collaboration with Accountability team and the Academic Office to design, develop, and implement a system of interim student performance assessments to gauge/measure student performance levels and drive instruction.
- ~ Develop and implement a data model to collect and analyze pertinent data, metrics, and information needed to gauge and monitor impact on student behavior and academic performance of initiatives designed and aligned to the Trauma Grant.

BUDGET AND FINANCE

- Every Child Succeed Act (ESSA)
 - ~ Mandated system changes for the 2018-2019 school year (District currently uses SAP). A Request for Proposals has been issued for a new System.
- New School Activity Software
 - ~ Improved compliance controls and managed oversight by Central Office Administration.

HUMAN RESOURCES

- ~ Creating partnerships to advance certificated staff in hard-to-fill areas within the SLPS.
- ~ Implementation of Professional Development for Long-Term Substitute Teachers by way of partnership with the St. Louis Plan.
- ~ Engage with historical Black Colleges and Universities to diversify District workforce.
- ~ Research international recruitment programs to identify international teaching candidates.

Business Items – Consent Agenda

Mr. Sullivan called for a motion and a second to approve Resolution Numbers 07-26-17-01 through 07-26-17-17 and 07-26-17-19. On a motion by Mrs. Clinkscale and seconded by Mr. Gaines, on the following roll call vote, the Board voted to approve Resolution Numbers 07-26-17-01 through 07-26-17-17 and 07-26-17-19.

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

NAY: None

The motion passed.

(07-26-17-01) To ratify and approve a payment to Houghton Mifflin Harcourt for the scoring of the universal assessments for the gifted screening of KG and 2nd grade students in the amount of \$18,343.25.

(07-26-17-02) To ratify and approve contracts with COCA and Springboard to provide the Summer Arts-Based Program for the Summer Learning 2017 program for all elementary students for the period June 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017 at a total combined cost not to exceed \$54,500.00.

(07-26-17-03) To ratify and approve an amendment to Board Resolution Number 05-19-16-49, a contract with Equifax to increase the amount by \$6,070.93. These additional dollars are to cover the cost associated with IRS filing and transmitting requirements for the 1094C and 1095C postage and mailing services for SLPS employees. If approved, the total cost for these services for the 2016-2017 school year will be \$52,104.93.

(07-26-17-04) To ratify and approve an amendment to Board Resolution Number 05-19-16-50, a contract with Frontline Technologies formally Aspex Solutions to increase the amount by \$3,522.59. These additional dollars are to cover the increased cost of annual service and the applicant screening tools, TeacherFit and Admin Fit. If approved, the total cost for these services for the 2016-2017 school year will be \$20,522.59.

(07-26-17-05) To ratify and approve an amendment to Board Resolution Number 06-08-16-49, a sole source purchase from Data Dash, Inc. to increase the dollar amount by \$17,224.00. These additional dollars will cover the annual licensing and support fees for Laserfiche, the District's electronic employee record management system. If approved, the total cost for these services for the 2016-2017 school year will be \$46,750.00.

(07-26-17-06) To approve the renewal of an Agency Agreement with St. Louis University to work collaboratively to provide a part-time Wellness Coordinator for the purpose of fulfilling the grant requirements for the Missouri Foundation for Health - Healthy Schools/Healthy Communities Grant for the period of September 1, 2017 through July 31, 2018 at a cost not to exceed \$51,000. This is the 4th year of a 5-year grant.

(07-26-17-07) To approve the renewal of an Agency Agreement with Mercy Health Systems to provide a school-based health clinic for staff at Roosevelt High School for the period July 27, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

(07-26-17-08) To approve a contract with Contract Application Programming, Inc. (CAP) to provide the EPES software site license and web lease for 79 school locations and the central office and four (4) days of on-site training. The software will be used to account for school student activity funds. The period of performance will be from August 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 at a cost not to exceed \$31,067.00, including a 10% contingency. The contract has two options to renew for 2-additional years at a reduced cost of \$10,000 including a 10% contingency.

(07-26-17-09) To approve a contract with Guarantee Electrical Construction to provide electrical upgrades in the electrical sub-basement of the aviation wing at Gateway STEM High School. The work will begin on July 27, 2017 and completed no later than August 31, 2017 at a cost not to exceed \$78,540.00, which includes a 10% contingency of \$7,140.00. This resolution is in response to RFP #057-1617.

(07-26-17-10) To approve a contract with Code Red to provide coding curriculum modules, middle and high school robotics curriculum, and freeware to all high schools for the period August 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 at a cost not to exceed \$33,800.00.

(07-26-17-11) To approve a contract renewal with Scholastic, Inc. to provide the Guided Reading professional development, training, and materials for the SIG schools (Adams, Ford, Jefferson and Monroe Elementary, and Fanning Middle) for the period July 27, 2017 through June 30, 2018 at a cost not to exceed \$200,000.00. This is year one of a 2-year renewal option.

(07-26-17-12) To approve a contract renewal with Solution Tree to provide professional development and materials for the SIG schools (Adams, Ford, Jefferson, and Monroe Elementary and Fanning Middle) for the period July 27, 2017 through June 30, 2018 at a cost not to exceed \$160,000.00. This is year one of a 2-year renewal option.

(07-26-17-13) To approve a sole source contract with Great Minds (Eureka Math) to provide professional development, training, and materials for the SIG schools (Adams, Ford, Jefferson, and Monroe Elementary and Fanning Middle) for the period July 27, 2017 through June 30, 2018 at a cost not to exceed \$20,000.00.

(07-26-17-14) To approve a sole source contract with Expeditionary Learning to provide professional development around the English/Learning Arts curriculum for the SIG schools (Adams, Ford, Jefferson, and Monroe Elementary and Fanning Middle) for the period July 27, 2017 through June 30, 2018 at a cost not to exceed \$20,000.00.

(07-26-17-15) To approve the renewal of a Memorandum of Understanding with Girl Scouts of Eastern Missouri to provide the Community Troop Program and the Outreach Program in all elementary, middle, and high schools for the period July 27, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

(07-26-17-16) To approve the renewal of a Memorandum of Understanding with Lutheran Family and Children's Services of Missouri to provide evidenced-based curriculum programs that help youth develop and improve leadership, character development, and problem solving skills at Adams, Mason and Woodward Elementary Schools for the period July 27, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

(07-26-17-17) To approve a Memorandum of Understanding with The Oxygen Project to provide yoga and mindfulness programming to students at Patrick Henry Downtown Academy, Northwest Transportation and Law Academy and Naheed Chapman New American Academy for the period July 27, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

(07-26-17-19) To approve the Monthly Transaction Report for May 2017.

Mr. Sullivan called for a motion and a second to approve Resolution Number 07-26-17-18. On a motion by Mrs. Clinkscale and seconded by Mr. Sullivan, on the following roll call vote, the Board voted to approve Resolution Number 07-26-17-18.

AYE: Mrs. Clinkscale, Mr. Sullivan
ABSTAIN: Mr. Gaines (conflict of interest)
NAY: None

The motion passed.

(07-26-17-18) To approve a purchase and renew the Athletic Accident Insurance policy through our broker, R.S. Klostermeyer & Associates for the period August 1, 2017 through July 31, 2018 at a cost not to exceed \$60,637.00, which includes a 5% contingency.

BOARD MEMBER UPDATE(S)

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, on a motion by Mrs. Clinkscale and seconded by Mr. Gaines on the following roll call vote, the Board voted to adjourn open session at 6:24PM.

AYE: Mrs. Clinkscale, Mr. Gaines, Mr. Sullivan
NAY: None

The motion passed.