

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

OFFICIAL REPORT

**REGULAR MEETING
ST. LOUIS, MO
OCTOBER 11, 2011
(RESCHEDULED FROM OCTOBER 4, 2011)**

M I N U T E S

The Special Administrative Board of the Transitional School District of the City of St. Louis met on the date noted in Room 108 of the Administrative Building, 801 N. 11th Street, St. Louis, MO 63101 at 6:05PM.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

On a motion by Ms. Adams, and seconded by Mr. Sullivan, on the following roll call vote, the Board voted to move into open session.

AYE: Ms. Adams, Mr. Sullivan
(Mr. Gaines joined the meeting at 6:15PM)

The Board and audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Ms. Adams, and seconded by Mr. Sullivan, on the following roll call vote, the Board voted to approve the June 16, 2011 open minutes.

AYE: Ms. Adams, Mr. Sullivan

The motion passed.

STUDENT RECOGNITION

The Spirit of Excellence Award was presented to Thomas Fliss, a senior at Metro Academic and Classical High School. Thomas earned a perfect score of 36 on the ACT test. He is the 51st student in the St. Louis region to earn a perfect score since year 2000.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

On behalf of Local 420 and its members, President Mary Armstrong expressed remarks relative to the 2011-2014 Policy Statement - last and final offer. At their October 10th meeting, members voted to reject the last and final offer as submitted. President Armstrong cited several reasons for the rejection, but also acknowledged the positive collaborations, present and past, with the District. Local 420 members also approved and requested Federal Mediation to achieve an amendable resolution.

Ms. Nancy Frailey, Teacher at Mallinckrodt Academy appealed to the Board and Superintendent to reconsider the last and final offer and to recognize teachers for their efforts.

Likewise, Ms. Abnash Coday, Teacher at Mullanphy shared some of the same sentiments as Ms. Frailey. She further asked the Board and Superintendent to take into account today's economy.

Mr. Jim Heger, Teacher at Ashland asked for consideration in assigning a Safety Officer to Ashland School because of safety concerns in the area.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ Metro Academic and Classical High School was recognized as a Gold Medal school by *US News and World Report's* annual ranking of America's Best High Schools for exceptional career and college preparation. Metro is the only school in the state of Missouri to be recognized for this honor.
- ◆ Woerner Elementary School was named Missouri's "*Do the Right Thing School of the Year*". A recognition ceremony was held Thursday, September 29th at the St. Louis Council Chambers.
- ◆ The District's annual giving campaign in support of United Way is underway. Contribution cards will be forwarded to school and office locations this week. Last year the campaign generated \$3,700.
- ◆ On Wednesday, October 19th at 6PM the Parent Assembly will meet at Metro High School. All parents are encouraged to participate.

INFORMATION ITEMS

- ◆ Cheryl VanNoy and Sheila Madkins of Information Technology gave an Enrollment Data presentation. The report entailed an update of historical enrollment and attendance information as well as the proactive procedures that are in place for monitoring and accountability purposes. Attendance did demonstrate improvement from fiscal years 2009-2010 to date. It also indicated the District is on target to meet the .5% increase in attendance for the 2011-2012 school year.
- ◆ Paula Knight, Associate Superintendent for Elementary Schools provided a presentation on Early Childhood/Early Childhood Special Education. Some of the accomplishments noted were the implementation of a new centralized enrollment process; the marketing campaign publicizing the program, 37 new state of the art classrooms and 80% of the necessary classrooms repairs were completed for licensing.
- ◆ Althea Santiago of Food Services and George Nash of Chartwells-Thompson provided an update on Food Services. Over a two year period, steady gains were evident in securing free and reduced applications. Eight schools had 100% applications completion. Improvements in the menu selection were received whole heartedly by students.
- ◆ *The HR Staffing presentation was listed on the agenda, but not presented.*

BUSINESS ITEM(S):

CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion by Ms. Adams, and seconded by Mr. Gaines, on the following roll call vote, the Board voted to approve the October 4, 2011 Consent Agenda to exclude those items that were approved at the 9/20/11 meeting

AYE: Ms. Adams, Mr. Gaines, Mr. Sullivan

10-04-11-01 A Memorandum of Understanding with Healthy Youth Partnership to support the implementation of the District's health and wellness policy for the period October 5, 2011 through June 30, 2012.

10-04-11-02 A Memorandum of Understanding with Harris Stowe State University and AFT St. Louis Early Childhood Education Innovation Fund to build a professional development program for Early Childhood, Pre-K teachers and paraprofessionals for the period October 5, 2011 through October 30, 2012.

Approved at the
9/20/11 Meeting

- 10-04-11-03** A Memorandum of Understanding with Webster University to provide specialized services that improve student functioning in school and create strong connections between home and school for the period October 5, 2011 through June 30, 2012. These services will be provided at Long Middle School and Long's feeder schools.
Approved at the 9/20/11 Meeting
- 10-04-11-04** A Memorandum of Understanding with Jewish Family and Children's Services to provide specialized services that improve student functioning in school and create strong connections between home and school for the period October 5, 2011 through June 30, 2012. These services will be provided at Monroe Middle School.
Approved at the 9/20/11 Meeting
- 10-04-11-05** A membership renewal with the National School Boards' Association for the period October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012 at a cost not to exceed \$14,000.
- 10-04-11-06** The membership fees with AdvancED Education – North Central Accreditation for secondary schools for the 2011-2012 school year at a cost not to exceed \$8,125.00.
- 10-04-11-07** A membership with the International Baccalaureate Organization for Metro Academic and Classical High School for the period September 20, 2011 through August 31, 2012 at a cost not to exceed \$10,200.
Approved at the 9/20/11 Meeting
- 10-04-11-08** A membership renewal with Focus St. Louis for the period September 20, 2011 through May 31, 2012 at a cost not to exceed \$6,000.
Approved at the 9/20/11 Meeting
- 10-04-11-09** A membership renewal with CharacterPlus of Cooperating School Districts for the period October 5, 2011 through June 30, 2012 at a cost not to exceed \$6,280.
Approved at the 9/20/11 Meeting
- 10-04-11-10** The acceptance of funds in the amount of \$337,668 through the 21st Century Community Learning Centers Grant for Gateway Elementary School and Gateway Institute of Technology High School.
Approved at the 9/20/11 Meeting
- 10-04-11-11** A sole source contract with the St. Louis Science Center to provide student courses for the period October 15, 2011 through May 15, 2012 at a cost not to exceed \$8,350, pending the availability of funds.
- 10-04-11-12** A sole source contract with the St. Louis Zoo to provide student courses for the period October 15, 2011 through May 15, 2012 at a cost not to exceed \$16,000, pending the availability of funds.
- 10-04-11-13** A sole source contract with the Missouri Botanical Garden to provide student courses for the period October 15, 2011 through May 15, 2012 at a cost not to exceed \$14,000, pending the availability of funds.
- 10-04-11-14** A sole source contract with the St. Louis Society for the Blind and Visually Impaired for collaboration with a community service project for the period October 15, 2011 through May 15, 2012 at a cost not to exceed \$7,000.
- 10-04-11-15** Ratification of the purchase of the Early Childhood classroom furniture, equipment and supplies for twelve (12) additional classrooms in an amount not to exceed \$364,124.44.
Approved at the 9/20/11 Meeting
- 10-04-11-16** The purchase of twenty (20) Frequency Modulation Systems from Oticon, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$23,235.

- 10-04-11-17** The purchase of System 44, Expert 21, Read 180 Tiered reading interventions from Scholastic, Inc. for Fanning, Langston and L'Ouverture Middle Schools in an amount not to exceed \$223,701.90.
Approved at the 9/20/11 Meeting
- 10-04-11-18** The purchase of System 44, Expert 21, Read 180 Tiered reading interventions from Scholastic, Inc. for Vashon High School in an amount not to exceed \$39,230.40.
Approved at the 9/20/11 Meeting
- 10-04-11-19** Ratification of a contract with CTB McGraw-Hill to re-score the MAP test for the period September 2, 2011 through November 1, 2011 at a cost not to exceed \$10,000.
Approved at the 9/20/11 Meeting
- 10-04-11-20** A contract with the Curators of the University of Missouri on behalf of the University of Missouri – St. Louis to provide tutorial management and consulting services for the period October 5, 2011 through June 30, 2012 at a cost not to exceed \$60,000.
- 10-04-11-21** A sole source one day (November 19, 2011) in-depth training with Discovery Education in the use of digital streaming, tailored to address the needs of the English Language Learners (ELL) and sixty-four (64) teachers at a cost not to exceed \$5,000.
- 10-04-11-22** A sole source contract renewal with the Center for Applied Linguistics to design and deliver an in-depth training of the eight (8) components of the Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol (SIOP) for the period October 5, 2011 through September 30, 2012 at a cost not to exceed \$17,508.
Approved at the 9/20/11 Meeting
- 10-04-11-23** A contract renewal with The Children's Academy for the District to provide lunches for 30 students at the Academy on a daily basis for the period October 5, 2011 through September 30, 2012. The Academy will reimburse the District at a rate of \$2.44 per meal. The total reimbursement amount is \$18,446.40
Approved at the 9/20/11 Meeting
- 10-04-11-24** A contract renewal for Virtual School through Connections Academy, Aventa Learning, Missouri Council on Economic, Florida Virtual School, The North Kansas City School District and any other approved DESE vendor for the period September 20, 2011 through June 30, 2012 in a total combined amount not to exceed \$100,000.
Approved at the 9/20/11 Meeting
- 10-04-11-25** A sole source with Kronos to provide an upgrade of the Kronos Timekeeping System for the period October 5, 2011 through February 28, 2012 at a cost not to exceed \$125,000.
Approved at the 9/20/11 Meeting
- 10-04-11-26** A contract with Midwestern Design and Construction/Blanton, joint venture and Hankins Construction Company to renovate science labs at eight (8) high schools. The work shall begin September 21, 2011 and completed by December 31, 2011 at a cost not to exceed \$4,059,000 which includes a 10% contingency of \$369,000.
Approved at the 9/20/11 Meeting
- 10-04-11-27** A contract with Midwestern Design and Construction/Blanton, joint venture to renovate career and technical education classrooms at Beaumont High School. The work shall begin September 21, 2011 and completed by December 31, 2011 at a cost not to exceed \$676,903 which includes a 10% contingency of \$61,537.
Approved at the 9/20/11 Meeting
- 10-04-11-28** A contract with Rhodney Construction, Inc. to renovate two (2) Parent Infant Interaction Program locations. The work shall begin September 21, 2011 and completed by December 31, 2011 at a cost not to exceed \$1,043,768 which includes a 10% contingency of \$94,888.
Approved at the 9/20/11 Meeting

10-04-11-29 The fall bus routes for Fiscal Year 2011-2012.

10-04-11-30 The District's group benefits cost for plan year 2012 at an estimated annual renewal of \$27,249,754.
Approved at the
9/20/11 Meeting

10-04-11-31 The August 2011 Monthly Board Transaction Report.

NEW BUSINESS

Superintendent Adams brought for the following for Board approval.

To approve the 2011-2014 Policy Statement with AFT Local 420 for Teachers, Secretarial and Clerical and Para Professional Employees. The agreement also includes a 2% salary increase.

Mr. Sullivan called for a vote.

On a motion by Mr. Gaines and seconded by Ms. Adams, on the following roll call vote, the Board voted to approve the 2011-2014 Policy Statement AFT Local 420 for Teachers Secretarial and Clerical and Para Professional Employees that includes a 2% salary increase.

Mr. Sullivan called for questions/comments/discussion. With there being none, the motion passed unanimously.

AYE: Ms. Adams, Mr. Gaines, Mr. Sullivan

BOARD MEMBER UPDATE(S)

The October 25th SAB meeting has been cancelled and rescheduled to Tuesday, October 18th. The time remains the same.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board in open session, on a motion by Ms. Adams, and seconded by Mr. Gaines on the following roll call vote, the Board voted to adjourn at 7:05PM.

AYE: Ms. Adams, Mr. Gaines, Mr. Sullivan