

**BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS -Administration Building - 801 N. 11th Street - 6:30 PM  
(Tuesday, February 13, 2024)**

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

**Attendance:** Tracy Hykes, Sadie Weiss, Emily Hubbard, Donna Jones, Natalie Vowell (virtual), Matthew "Matt" Davis, and Antionette "Toni" Cousins.

Matt Davis, seconded by Tracy Hykes, moved to postpone the Zspace consent agenda item indefinitely and move the Construction Update to the February 2024 Work Session meeting.

Aye: Tracy Hykes, Sadie Weiss, Natalie Vowell, Donna Jones, Matt Davis, Toni Cousins

Nay: None

Abstain: Emily Hubbard

The motion passed.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**STUDENT/STAFF RECOGNITIONS**

**Parent Day of Action**

SLPS Parents want to know how our lawmakers show up for our children's future! The Parent Action Council is gearing up for its third annual Parent Day of Action in Jefferson City on February 20, 2024. This event continues our efforts in mobilizing parents, safeguarding public education, holding officials accountable, promoting democratic school management, advocating for adequate funding, and prioritizing school safety. Parents will present firsthand testimony and submit written accounts to express their concerns. Through effective advocacy, parents have successfully preserved \$18 million annually in SLPS funding, preventing \$36 million from being diverted from our district.

District information or to RSVP for the 2024 Parent Day of Action, visit [WWW.SLPS.ORG/DAYOFACTION](http://WWW.SLPS.ORG/DAYOFACTION).

**FEBRUARY CONSENT AGENDA**

Natalie Vowell moved to approve consent agenda items (02-13-24-01) through (02-13-24-04), seconded by Matt Davis.

Aye: Tracy Hykes, Sadie Weiss, Emily Hubbard, Natalie Vowell, Donna Jones, Matt Davis, Toni Cousins

Nay: None

The motion passed.

(02-13-24-01) To approve a reimbursement grant of \$31,495 from DESE to purchase feminine hygiene products, including tampons, pads, menstrual cups, menstrual underwear, cleansers, emergency replacement undergarments or pants/shorts, or Midol and similar pain relieving products. It is the maximum award we could receive for this grant. The reimbursement grant allows SLPS to submit documentation until April 2024 to cover expenses. Student Support Services plans to work with the schools to utilize the funds to meet the needs of our students best. This will help support Pillar 2 by advancing fairness and equity across the system.

(02-13-24-02) To approve Summer School 2024 (Camp SLPS) for identified SLPS students at an expenditure not to exceed \$6,000,000.00. Summer School 2024 (Camp SLPS) will start June 3, 2024 and end July 12, 2024. Summer School (Camp SLPS) supports Pillar 4: All Students Read to Lead and Succeed, Goals 4A: Student Reading Proficiency, and 4B: Student Reading Support.

(02-13-24-03) To approve a contract extension with ArchKey Technologies (previous Board Resolution 08-09-22-14) to perform fire alarm system upgrades at various schools/facilities throughout the District, period February 14, 2023, through June 30, 2024, at a cost not to exceed \$1,197,582.73. With an additional 10% contingency of \$119,758.27, the total cost will be \$1,317,341.00, pending funding availability. The contract supports Pillar 1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1B: Safe & Secure Schools.

(02-13-24-04) To approve an emergency service with Daikin TMI for emergency boiler repair and pump packages at Mason Elementary to restore heat to buildings, classrooms, and office spaces. The work has begun as of January 12, 2024, and will continue to the end of June 30, 2024, at a cost not to exceed \$234,553.00.

**PRESENTATIONS**

- Dr. Scarlett presented the Return on Investment presentation.
- Dr. Borishade and the Academic Excellence Hub Members presented the Reading update.
- Dr. Sarah Briscoe presented the Camp SLPS Summer Learning update.

**REPORTS OF THE BOARD**

- Emily Hubbard gave reflections on Ash Wednesday and asked the public to be held accountable for their actions.
- Matt Davis-Attended professional development at Jefferson Elementary on January 31, 2024, and professional development for teachers last Wednesday with Dr. Scarlett. The Legislative Committee will attend the Parent Day of Action on February 20, 2024. Mr. Davis will be featured as a guest speaker at the Consortium of State School Boards Association Annual meeting with Linda Quinley of the Missouri School Board's Association. The presentation is an efficiency study.

Matt Davis moved to approve the Board's professional development request to attend the 2024 Legislative/Policy Conference on March 16-19, 2024, in Washington, DC (open to any Board member), seconded by Natalie Vowell.

Aye: Tracy Hykes, Sadie Weiss, Emily Hubbard, Natalie Vowell, Donna Jones, Matt Davis, Toni Cousins  
Nay: None

The motion passed.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- William "Bill" Monroe
- Prince Carter
- Greg Michaud

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:12 pm.

**Motion by Matt Davis, seconded by Natalie Vowell.**

**Aye:** Tracy Hykes, Sadie Weiss, Emily Hubbard, Natalie Vowell, Donna Jones, Matt Davis, Toni Cousins  
**Nay:** None

**The motion passed.**

Attested By:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Donna Jones". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "D".

Donna Jones  
Board Secretary