

**BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS -Administration Building - 801 N. 11th Street - 6:30PM (Tuesday, July 2, 2024)**

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

**Attendance:** Tracy Hykes, Sadie Weiss, Emily Hubbard, Donna Jones, Natalie Vowell (virtual at 8:25 pm), Matthew "Matt" Davis, and Antionette "Toni" Cousins.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**JULY CONSENT AGENDA**

Matt Davis moved to approve consent agenda item (07-02-24-01), seconded by Toni Cousins.

**Aye:** Sadie Weiss, Emily Hubbard

**Nay:** Tracy Hykes, Donna Jones, Matt Davis, Toni Cousins

**Abstain:** Natalie Vowell

The motion failed.

Matt Davis moved to approve consent agenda items (07-02-24-02) through (07-02-24-06), seconded by Tracy Hykes.

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

**Nay:** None

**Abstain:** Donna Jones

The motion passed.

Matt Davis moved to amend consent agenda item (07-02-24-17). With approval, this item will be put out for bid for the 2025-2026 school year, seconded by Emily Hubbard.

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

**Nay:** None

The motion passed.

Matt Davis moved to approve agenda item (07-02-24-17) as amended, seconded by Toni Cousins.

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

**Nay:** None

The motion passed.

Matt Davis moved to approve consent agenda items (07-02-24-18) through (07-02-24-23), seconded by Tracy Hykes.

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

**Nay:** None

The motion passed.

Toni Cousins moved to approve agenda item (07-02-24-24), seconded by Matt Davis.

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

**Nay:** None

**Abstain:** Sadie Weiss

The motion passed.

Item **(07-02-24-25)** was removed from the consent agenda until a presentation regarding this item has been given.

Matt Davis moved to approve consent agenda items (07-02-24-26) through (07-02-24-30), seconded by Toni Cousins.

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

**Nay:** None

The motion passed.

Toni Cousins moved to approve agenda item (07-02-24-31), seconded by Matt Davis.

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

**Nay:** None

The motion passed.

Toni Cousins moved to approve consent agenda items (07-02-24-32) through (07-02-24-34), seconded by Matt Davis.

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

**Nay:** None

The motion passed.

Toni Cousins moved to approve agenda item (07-02-24-35), seconded by Matt Davis.

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

**Nay:** None

**Abstain:** Natalie Vowell

The motion passed.

Toni Cousins moved to approve agenda item (07-02-24-36), seconded by Matt Davis.

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

**Nay:** None

The motion passed.

Toni Cousins moved to approve agenda item (07-02-24-37), seconded by Emily Hubbard.

**Aye:** Tracy Hykes, Emily Hubbard, Toni Cousins

**Nay:** Sadie Weiss, Natalie Vowell, Donna Jones, Matt Davis

The motion failed.

Natalie Vowell moved to initiate a Communication RFP immediately (07-02-24-37) and vote on this item at the next Board meeting, seconded by Sadie Weiss.

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

**Nay:** None

The motion passed.

Matt Davis moved to approve consent agenda items (07-02-24-38) through (07-02-24-39), seconded by Sadie Weiss.

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

**Nay:** None

The motion passed.

(07-02-24-01) To approve a single source contract with Wright Associates to implement the initiation phase of the five-to-seven-year District Transformation phase that focuses on building the capability of the SLPS team to lead, engage, and mobilize stakeholders to embrace a community wide reengineering of its K-12 operating systems. The period of performance will be from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at a cost not to exceed \$1,250,000. It is anticipated that external fundraising will provide an additional \$4,750,000 for implementation of future phases.

(07-02-24-02) To renew a sole-source contract with St. Louis Community College to provide current St. Louis Public Schools staff members with access to teacher education and general education courses up to graduation with an Associate degree for transfer to a four-year university to complete teacher certification. Up to twenty (20) staff members will receive tuition assistance for between 12-24 credit hours toward an Associate of Arts in Teaching or Associate of Arts in General Transfer Studies. These staff members will feed the ongoing "Para to Pro" partnership with Lincoln University and other four-year universities for teacher certification. The cost in total shall not exceed \$30,000 annually. After certification, these teachers will serve St. Louis Public Schools for at least three years. This contract renewal would be for the period of July 10, 2024 through June 30, 2025. This is the 2nd year of the program. This service will support Pillar 1: Excellent Schools, Goal 1.3: Innovative Staffing and Recruitment Practices. Pillar 3: Culturally Responsive Environments, Goal 3.2: High Quality and Effective Teachers.

(07-02-24-03) To approve a contract renewal with Rottler Pest Control Services to provide pest control services for all District schools and buildings, for the period July 10, 2024 through June 30, 2025 at a cost not to exceed \$53,191.26, pending funding availability. The contract supports Pillar 1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1B: Safe & Secure Schools.

(07-02-24-04) To obtain approval for a contract renewal with Unifirst to provide the rental of uniforms for 340 Facilities employees, and wet and dry mop heads and rags for 68 District facilities from July 10, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at a cost not to exceed \$208,864.49, pending funding availability. This renewal will cover the final year of the three-year renewal option. The contract supports Pillar 1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1B: Safe & Secure Schools.

(07-02-24-05) To obtain approval for a contract renewal with American Boiler to provide boiler repair services for all District schools and buildings from July 10, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at a cost not to exceed \$53,580.60, pending funding availability. The contract will cover the final year of the three-year renewal option. This contract supports Pillar 1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1B: Safe & Secure Schools.

(07-02-24-06) To obtain approval for a contract with American Water to provide inspections, cleaning, and water treatment of cooling towers for all District schools and buildings from July 10, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at a cost not to exceed \$47,447.98, pending funding availability. The contract will cover the second year of the three-year renewal option. This contract supports Pillar 1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1B: Safe & Secure Schools.

(07-02-24-07) To approve the contract renewal with Cardinal Elevator for elevator inspection, maintenance, and repair services for all District schools and buildings, this is temporary contract until a new vendor is in place. The estimated costs will not exceed \$100,000.00. This will cover the final year of the three-year renewal option. The contract supports Pillar 1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1B: Safe & Secure Schools

(07-02-24-08) To approve a contract with Cintas Fire Protection Company to provide fire alarm testing and inspection services through OMNIA purchasing group for all District schools and buildings from July 10, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at a cost not to exceed \$68,267.85, pending funding availability. The renewal will cover the second year of the three-year renewal option. This contract supports Pillar 1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1B: Safe & Secure Schools.

(07-02-24-09) To approve a a contract with Cintas Fire Protection to provide inspections and repair services for fire extinguishers through OMNIA purchasing group for all District schools and buildings from July 10, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at a cost not to exceed \$36,050.00, pending funding availability. The renewal will cover the second year of the three-year renewal option. This contract supports Pillar 1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1B: Safe & Secure Schools.

(07-02-24-10) To approve a contract with Cintas to provide inspections and repair services for fire sprinklers and associated backflow preventers, as well as repairs, testing, tagging, and reporting on all domestic water backflow devices in all District schools and buildings from July 10, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at a cost not to exceed \$70,605.00, pending funding availability. This renewal covers the second year of the three-year renewal option. The contract supports Pillar 1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1B: Safe & Secure Schools.

(07-02-24-11) To approve a a renewal contract with Cord Moving & Storage and Fry-Wagner Moving and Storage to provide moving, relocation, and temporary storage services at various District locations from July 10, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at a cost not to exceed \$500,000.00. Including an additional 10% contingency of \$50,000.00, the total cost will be \$550,000.00, pending funding availability. The contract supports Pillar 1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1B: Safe & Secure Schools.

(07-02-24-12) To approve the purchase of custodial equipment at various schools throughout the District through OMNIA purchasing group for the period July 10, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at a cost not to exceed \$200,000.00, pending funding availability. The contract supports Pillar 1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1B: Safe & Secure Schools.

(07-02-24-13) To approve the purchase of custodial supplies from multiple vendors for the cleaning and maintenance of District schools and buildings through OMNIA purchasing group for the period of July 10, 2024 through June 30, 2024, at a cost not to exceed \$959,603.50, pending funding availability. This service supports Pillar 1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1B: Safe & Secure Schools.

(07-02-24-14) To approve a contract renewal with Daikin TMI to provide air conditioning chiller maintenance services for designated District schools and buildings through OMNIA purchasing group for the period July 10, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at a cost not to exceed \$30,000.00, pending funding availability. This will cover the final year of the three-year renewal option. The contract supports Pillar 1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1B: Safe & Secure Schools.

(07-02-24-15) To approve a contract renewal with Grease Masters for cleaning and repair of kitchen exhaust hoods and grease trap services for all District schools and buildings, for the period July 10, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at a cost not to exceed \$62,906.37, pending funding availability. The contract supports Pillar 1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1B: Safe & Secure Schools.

(07-02-24-16) To approve a renewal contract with Advanced Environmental Services, Alliance Certified Restoration, All Star Environmental, General Waste Services, Midwest Service Group, and Talbert ICS to provide hazardous material abatement for all District schools and buildings from July 10, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at a cost not to exceed \$1,500,000.00, to be funded by Proposition S. This renewal will cover the final year of a three-year renewal option. The contract supports Pillar 1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1B: Safe & Secure Schools.

(07-02-24-17) To approve a contract renewal with Ideal Landscape Management to provide snow removal and grounds maintenance services in selected District schools and buildings, for the period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 at a cost not to exceed \$1,344,566.55, pending funding availability. The contract supports Pillar 1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1B: Safe & Secure Schools.

(07-02-24-18) To approve the purchase of maintenance supplies, repairs, and equipment from multiple vendors for the overall maintenance of District schools and buildings during the 2024-2025 school year, at a cost not to exceed \$2,363,321.90, pending funding availability. This service supports Pillar 1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1B: Safe & Secure Schools.

(07-02-24-19) To approve a contract renewal with Republic Services to provide solid waste management services in selected District schools and buildings, for the period July 10, 2024 through June 30, 2025 at a cost not to exceed \$300,304.30 pending

funding availability. This renewal covers the final year of the three-year renewal option. The contract supports Pillar 1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1B: Safe & Secure Schools.

(07-02-24-20) To approve a contract renewal with Metropolitan Taxicab Inc. and Smart Taxi, to provide cab transportation services for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 at a cost not to exceed \$3,209,000.00 that will be funded out of the approved Transportation budget. This will be the last year of the three year contract. There is a ten (10) percent rate increase per the contract agreement for 2024-20245 School year. The contract supports Pillar1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1A: Attendance.

(07-02-24-21) To approve a contract renewal with Enterprise Fleet Management, Inc. through One Source a Cooperative to provide a managed fleet program that includes leasing, rental, purchase, maintenance, fuel, and disposal for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 at a cost not to exceed \$576,000.00 pending budget availability. This contract has an option to renew for one year. The contract supports Pillar 1: A system of Excellence Schools, Goal 1.2; Safe and Secure Schools.

(07-02-24-22) To approve the sole source purchase of service with Metro Transit to provide bus passes and tickets to the eligible elementary, middle and high school students requiring public transportation services for the period of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at a cost not to exceed \$310,240.00, pending budget availability. This purchase supports Pillar 1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1A: Student Attendance.

(07-02-24-23) To approve a contract with 713 Media (Robert O'Boyle) to provide media buying services for the District for the period of July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025 at a cost not to exceed \$100,000.00, pending funding availability. This contract has two one-year renewal options. (This is the first of those renewals) The contract supports Pillar 5: Community Partnerships and Resources, Goal 5b: Cultivate Strategic Partnerships and Goal 5c: Community and District pride Access

(07-02-24-24) To approve a contract renewal with the University of Missouri–St. Louis to provide dual credit programs to eligible 9-12th grade students at all high school sites for the period of July 10, 2024 to June 30, 2025 at a cost not to exceed \$100,000.00. This service supports Pillar 4: Read to Succeed, Goal 4D: College and Career Readiness.

(07-02-24-25) To approve the renewal of a Consultant Service Agreement with St. Louis Youth Jobs to provide internship/work opportunities through the Learn and Earn program for the period July 10, 2024 through June 30, 2025. Up to 400 students from all eligible SLPS high schools will be receiving services through this agreement. The cost of this service is not to exceed \$1,637,783.92. Due to the completion of the matching funds from the City, a total of 400 internships spots (potential to serve approximately 500 SLPS students) will be funded through this agreement. This service supports Pillar 4: Read to Succeed, Goal 4D: College and Career Readiness.

(07-02-24-26) To approve the purchase of services from Burlington English at a cost not to exceed \$28,800 for the period of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025. Burlington English offers three training options to fit our ESOL student needs. This program affords our students to learn at their own pace. The Burlington English curriculum combines academic and workforce readiness skills that actively engage and prepare our ESOL students for postsecondary education and job training, and ultimately, succeed in their careers. DESE approved for ESOL. This service supports Pillar 3: Culturally responsive Environments, Goal 3A: Career Pathways

(07-02-24-27) To approve a contract renewal with Frontline Technologies Group, LLC for the Online Observation Tool, Frontline for the period July 31, 2024, through July 31, 2025, at a cost not to exceed \$31, 776.09, pending funding availability. This service supports Pillar 3, Culturally Responsive Environments; Goal 3A-Career Pathways.

(07-02-24-28) To approve a contract renewal with the St. Louis Regional Program for Exceptionally Gifted Learners (PEGS) on the Lindbergh School District site to provide academic programs for five students with exceptional abilities for a period August 21, 2024 through May 23, 2025 at a cost not to exceed \$32,500, pending funding availability. This resolution supports Pillar 4: All students learn to read and succeed and Goal 4B: Student Reading Support.

(07-02-24-29) To approve a contract renewal for Environmental Consultants, to provide hazardous material consulting for all District schools and buildings for the period of July 10, 2024 through June 30, 2025 at an additional cost not to exceed \$500,000.00, pending funding availability. The contract supports Pillar 1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1B: Safe & Secure Schools.

(07-02-24-30) To approve a contract renewal with Bieg Plumbing to provide testing, tagging and reporting on all domestic water backflow devices at District schools and buildings, for the period July 10, 2024 through June 30, 2025 at a cost not to exceed \$29,935.26, pending funding availability. This contract will cover the final year of the three-year renewal option. The contract supports Pillar 1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1B: Safe & Secure Schools.

(07-02-24-31) To approve the commencement of negotiations with multiple firms (BLDD Architects, Inc.; Bond Architects; Building Resources Studio, LLP.; CD Companies; Cordogan Clark & Associates; JEMA; and Tao + Lee & Associates) for the purpose of Architectural/Engineering ID/IQ Services for Districtwide Capital Improvement Projects for fiscal years July 10, 2024 through June 30, 2026. Upon the successful completion of negotiations, the finalized Architectural/Engineering ID/IQ Services contract shall be presented to the Board of Education for final cost approval. These services will be funded by Proposition S. The contract supports Pillar 1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1B: Safe & Secure Schools.

(07-02-24-32) To approve a contract with Johnson Controls US Holding, Inc. to provide daily security monitoring and investigative response for all district schools and buildings, from July 10, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at a cost not to exceed \$104,104.00 (pending performance and including a 10% contingency for holiday coverage) The contract will continue to support pillar 1: A system of excellent schools; Goal 1B: Safe and Secure Schools.

(07-02-24-33) To approve a contract with a multiple qualified vendors (TSI Global Companies and Johnson Controls US Holding, Inc.) to provide equipment services district-wide for a period of July 3, 2024 through June 30, 2025 at a cost not to exceed \$200,000 pending terms of conditions, budget negotiations and availability. The contract supports Pillar 1: A system of Excellent Schools, Goal 1B: Safe & Secure Schools.

(07-02-24-34) To approve MOUs for the YMCA, Webster University, The Opera House, The Magic House and St. Louis Public Library the period of July 10, 2024 through July 31, 2025 that align with the Student Goal Area of Literacy at no cost. This supports Pillar 4: Read to Succeed and Pillar 5: Community Partners.

(07-02-24-35) To approve MOUs with Seed Stl, Gateway Green Building, GGO and Chess for the the period of July 10, 2024 through July 31, 2025 that align with the Student Goal Area of Math at no cost. This supports Pillar 2: Fairness Across System Pillar 5: Community Partners.

(07-02-24-36) To approve a renewal contract with Reach Associates to provide job embedded professional learning on current cognitive and literacy research for the period of July 10, 2024 through June 30, 2025 at a cost not to exceed \$76,440.00

(07-02-24-37) To approve a contract renewal with SMJ Communications to provide consulting services for the period of July 15, 2024 through January 15, 2025 at a cost not to exceed \$67,500.

(07-02-24-38) To approve MOU's with the Community Partners representing the first slate for the Math Student Goal Area. Partnerships include Green Building Council, Gateway to the Great Outdoors, Chess Hall of Fame, Seed STL. Additional partners will be up for approval in coming months.

(07-02-24-39) To approve MOUs for the the period of July 2024 through July 31, 2025 that align with the Student Goal Area of Student Health and Wellness at no cost. This supports Pillar 2: Fairness and Equity Across the System and Pillar 5: Community Partners.

NEW (07-02-24-40) To approve a transportation Changes for the 2024-2025 School Year, this plan includes utilizing district resources more efficiently to provide necessary transportation.

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

- Square Waton and Toyin Akinola gave transportation updates.

#### **REPORTS OF THE BOARD**

- Matt Davis-Gave updates regarding the recent Legislative Meeting and the Governance Committee.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- William "Bill" Monroe

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 9:23 pm.

**Motion by Matt Davis, seconded by Tracy Hykes.**

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

**Nay:** None

**The motion passed.**

Attested By:



Donna Jones  
Board Secretary