# BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS -Administration Building - 801 N. 11th Street - 6:30 PM (Tuesday, February 22, 2022)

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Dr. Joyce M. Roberts, Donna Jones, Natalie Vowell, Matthew Davis, Antionette Cousins, Regina Fowler, Alisha Sonnier, Superintendent Dr. Kelvin Adams, Jeffrey St. Omer of Mickes O'Toole, and Shameika Williams, Executive Assistant to the Board of Education.

#### CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 PM.

Antionette Cousins was absent for roll call but joined the meeting at 7:09 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### MARCH CONSENT AGENDA

Matt Davis moved to approve the consent agenda item (02-22-22-01), seconded by Alisha Sonier.

Aye: Dr. Joyce M. Roberts, Donna Jones, Matt Davis, Regina Fowler, Toni Cousins, Alisha Sonnier

Abstain: Natalie Vowell

Nay: None

The motion passed.

(02-22-22-01) To approve the Parameters Resolution authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2022. This service supports Transformation Plan 3.0 Pillar 1: Excellent Schools, Goal 1C: Financial Sustainability.

(03-08-22-01) To approve an Agency Agreement with the St. Louis Public Schools Foundation partially fund the oversight and management of the school funds for the period July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, at a cost not to exceed \$40,000, pending funding availability. This service supports Pillar 1: Excellent Schools, Goal 1C: Financial Sustainability, and Pillar 5: Community Partnerships Resources, Goal 5B: Cultivate Strategic Partnerships.

(03-08-22-02) Acceptance of funds from the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) in the amount of \$600,000 for the District to expend by June 30, 2022, for expenses related to COVID testing beginning December 1, 2021. Expenses will include personnel, COVID testing supplies, COVID testing kits, and lab fees. Grant contract attached.

(03-08-22-03) To ratify and approve the payment of \$25,466.00 to the International Baccalaureate Organization to register 76 students who will take a total of 232 individual I.B. exams and submit for I.B. grading 20 Extended Essays 20 Theory of Knowledge essays/presentations in the May 2022 I.B. examination session. Pillar 4: Read to Succeed / 4D College and Career Readiness

(03-08-22-04) To approve a 1-year extension to a sole source contract renewal with Agile Sports Technologies Inc., dba "Hudl," to provide live stream cameras for Collegiate, Gateway, McKinley, Miller, Soldan, and Vashon and ten subscriptions of the web-based video services that will offer training techniques to assist in potential scouting and recruitment endeavors for those high schools that participate in the District's athletic program for the period of July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, at a cost not to exceed \$48,444.00, pending funding availability. Pillar 2: Fairness Equity Across System, Goal 2A: Equitable Resource Distribution.

(03-08-22-05) To approve the purchase of service from BSN Sports and Gopher Sports through Omnia Partners (COOP) for the purchase of athletic equipment, including helmets and uniforms for the period of July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, for all sports programs in all high schools, middle schools, and elementary schools at a total combined cost not to exceed \$192,000.00, pending funding availability. This service supports. Pillar 2: Fairness Equity Across System, Goal 2A: Equitable Resource Distribution:

(03-08-22-06) To approve a membership renewal with the Missouri State High School Activities Association (MSHSAA) for the 2022-2023 school year for sports and activity registrations at a cost not to exceed \$23,301.73, pending funding availability. Participating schools are Carnahan, Roosevelt, Soldan, Vashon, Gateway STEM, Collegiate, Metro, McKinley, Miller, Sumner, and Central Visual and Performing Arts. Pillar 2: Fairness Equity Across System, Goal 2A: Equitable Resource Distribution.

(03-08-22-07) To approve a sole source purchase of service to provide reconditioning and sanitation services for the football helmets, softball helmets, baseball helmets, and shoulder pads from Schutt for the period of July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, at a total combined cost not to exceed \$30,000.00, pending funding availability. This service supports. Pillar 2: Fairness Equity Across System, Goal 2A: Equitable Resource Distribution.

(03-08-22-08) To approve a contract renewal with AT&T to provide a Fiber Wide Area Network (WAN) infrastructure ASE to support high-speed data access for the period July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023, at a cost not to exceed \$66,594 (SLPS match after E-Rate approval for the 2022 funding time period). The total value of the contract is \$665,940, pending funding availability. This service supports Pillar 1: Excellent Schools, Goal 1C: Financial Sustainability. This impacts all school leaders and administrators across the District as a District initiative.

(03-08-22-09) To approve a contract renewal with BlueBird (Missouri Alliance) to provide internet service to the District for the period July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023, at a cost not to exceed \$54,000, pending funding availability. The SLPS match will be \$5,400 after E-Rate approval for the 2022 funding period. This service supports Pillar 1: Excellent Schools, Goal 1C: Financial Sustainability. This impacts all school leaders and administrators across the District as a District initiative.

(03-08-22-10) To approve a contract renewal with IPNS to provide E-Rate WAN/LAN maintenance for the period of July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, at a cost not to exceed \$787,800 annually, pending funding availability. The SLPS discounted portion is anticipated to be \$118,170 but is contingent on the availability of an E-Rate under the new re-authorization. This service supports Pillar 1: Excellent Schools, Goal 1C: Financial Sustainability. This is the first of an optional two-year renewal.

(03-08-22-11) To approve a contract renewal with IPNS to provide Network Monitoring Services for the period of July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, at a cost not to exceed \$150,000 annually, pending funding availability. This service is needed to monitor and proactively avoid downtime on the District network. This service supports Pillar 1: Excellent Schools, Goal 1C: Financial Sustainability. This is the first of an optional two-year renewal.

(03-08-22-12) To approve a contract renewal with IPNS for replacement of UPS equipment and anticipated switch breakage for July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, at a cost not exceeding \$179,795 annually, pending funding availability. The SLPS discounted portion is anticipated to be \$26,969 but is contingent on the availability of an E-Rate under the new re-authorization. This service supports Pillar 1: Excellent Schools, Goal 1C: Financial Sustainability. This is the first of an optional two-year renewal.

(03-08-22-13) To approve a contract renewal with IPNS to provide EOL maintenance for the period of July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, at a cost not to exceed \$300,000 annually, pending funding availability. This is for equipment that is no longer covered through SmartNet. The SLPS discounted portion is anticipated to be \$45,000 but is contingent on the availability of E-Rate under the new re-authorization. This service supports Pillar 1: Excellent Schools, Goal 1C: Financial Sustainability.

(03-08-22-14) To approve a contract renewal with TSI to provide network wiring (new projects) and wiring repair for the period of July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, at a cost not to exceed \$65,000 through the E-Rate process, pending funding availability. The SLPS discounted portion is anticipated to

be \$6,500 but is contingent on the availability of E-Rate under the new re-authorization. This service supports Pillar 1: Excellent Schools, Goal 1C: Financial Sustainability. This is the first of an optional two-year renewal.

(03-08-22-15) To approve a contract renewal with IPNS to provide SmartNet maintenance coverage for the network equipment for the period of July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, at a cost not to exceed \$88,266, pending funding availability. This service supports Pillar 1: Excellent Schools, Goal 1C: Financial Sustainability. This is the first of an optional two-year renewal.

(03-08-22-16) To approve a new contract with the Missouri School Board Association (MSBA) to provide Third Party Medicaid Claiming Management of Direct Therapy services for the period of July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, at a cost not to exceed 10% of claimable funds under direct services and 10% of non-emergency medical transportation, an annual license fee of \$7 per IEP student, \$16 per prescription provided. This contract includes two one-year renewal options. This service supports Pillar 1 Excellent Schools; Goal 1C: Financial Sustainability.

(03-08-22-17) To approve a contract extension with World Wide Technology from RFP #024-2021 to upgrade the current Wi-Fi across the District. The original equipment was put into production in 2012. The period for this contract is July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, at a cost not to exceed \$930,000, pending funding availability. The SLPS match is anticipated to be \$140,000 after E-Rate approval for the 2021 funding time period. This project was approved during the 2021-22 school year; however, due to significant equipment delays, this term extension is needed through the 2022-23 school year. This service supports Pillar 1: Excellent Schools, Goal 1C: Financial Sustainability.

(03-08-22-18) To approve an amendment to Board Resolution Number 05-11-21-17, a contract renewal with Tyler Technologies, Inc. (SIS K-12) to increase the cost by \$150,000 to include the implementation and purpose of the VersaTran software for bus routing due to a change in our transportation company. This is to prepare the routing for the 2022-23 school year. If approved, the total cost for these services will be \$600,000.

(03-08-22-19) To approve an amendment to Board Resolution #06-08-21-51, a contract renewal with TSI, to provide network wiring, wiring repair, and new projects. The increased cost would be \$1,500,000 to cover updates and modifications to media technology in the schools with the ESSER II funds. If approved, the total amount of the contract will now be \$1,610,000. The contract period will remain the same from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022. This service supports Pillar 1: Excellent Schools, Goal 1C: Financial Stability.

(03-08-22-20) To approve a contract with U.S. Bank for the lease of the Sophos Anti-Virus software from March 9, 2021, through June 30, 2022, at a cost not to exceed \$95,000. This provides anti-virus software protection for all end-users devices in the District. This service supports Pillar 1: Excellent Schools, Goal 1C: Financial Sustainability.

(03-08-22-22) To approve a Memorandum of Understanding to establish a partnership between Sons and Daughters of Saint Louis and Saint Louis Public Schools' Students-In-Transition Office. This project will facilitate the development and implementation of community-designed programming to increase achievement and well-being for housing-insecure youth identified as McKinney-Vento students attending Carr Lane and Gateway Middle Schools for the period March 9, 2022, through June 30, 2023, at no direct cost to the District. The anticipated pilot program will serve 125 students at each site. This partnership supports Pillar 1: Excellent Schools, Goal 1A Student Attendance of Transformation Plan 3.0.

NEW (03-08-22-23) To approve a contract with World Wide Technology (WWT) to upgrade the Data Center's core network and replace 17 MDF switches in the selected school. It is for the period July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023, at a cost not to exceed \$420,000 (pre-discount) pending receipt of the 2022 E-Rate Funding Commitment Decision Letter. The discounted price to SLPS will be \$85,000 after receiving the E-Rate funding.

NEW (03-08-22-24) To approve a contract with A T & T to run new fiber connections. The contract amount will not exceed \$429,000 with a contract termination date of 07/01/2022 through 09/30/2023 (pre-discount) pending receipt of the 2022 E-Rate Funding Commitment Decision Letter. The discounted cost to SLPS will be \$64,350 after receiving the E-Rate funding. However, the price may need to be covered by the District if E-Rate funding is not available.

NEW (03-08-22-25) To approve a contract with EM3 to be our internet service provider for District internet connections. This was bid through the E-Rate 470 process. The contract amount will not exceed \$53,736 with a contract termination date of 07/01/2022 through 06/30/2023 (pre-discount) pending receipt of the 2022 E-Rate Funding Commitment Decision Letter. The discounted cost to SLPS will be \$5,373 after receiving the E-Rate funding.

NEW (03-08-22-26) To approve the acceptance funds from the Missouri Department of Education and Secondary Education (DESE) to support urban high-poverty schools affected by gun violence for a period of March 14, 2022, through May 6, 2022, at a cost not to exceed \$67,900.00. The Gun Violence Prevention Program will be implemented through UnGun Institute LLC. providing services to Yeatman, L'Ouverture, Carr Lane, Compton Drew Middle Schools, and Carnahan and Sumner High Schools. This service supports Pillar 5: Community Partnerships Resources, Goal 2D- Partner w/Community Allies.

NEW (03-08-22-27) To approve a contract with UnGun Institute LLC to support the gun violence prevention program at the following schools: Yeatman Middle, Carr Lane Middle, L'Ouverture, Compton Drew, Soldan, Carnahan, and Sumner High School for a period of March 14, 2022, through May 6, 2022, at a cost not to exceed \$67,900.00. The program is funded through the Department of Education and Secondary Education (DESE) Gun Violence Prevention Grant. This service supports Pillar 5: Community Partnerships Resources, Goal 2D- Partner w/Community Allies.

### **PRESENTATIONS**

Aaron Williams presented the Sumner Partnership Update. Angie Banks presented the Bond Refinancing Resolution.

## CJA RENAMING COMMITTEE UPDATES

Matt Davis presented the CJA naming committee updates.

Matt Davis moved to nominate Dr. David Cunningham as the Board's community representative to replace Sara Nash and Susan Yardley-Vagnino/Mallory Dauphin as the teacher building representation replacing Jamie Spitznagel and Emma Mueller, seconded by Toni Cousins.

Aye: Dr. Joyce M. Roberts, Donna Jones, Matt Davis, Regina Fowler, Toni Cousins, Alisha Sonnier, Natalie Vowell Nay: None

The motion passed.

## **UPDATE ON LEGISLATIVE LANGUAGE**

Regina Fowler presented the update on Legislative Language.

Matt Davis moved to adopt the revised Legislative Language for the Board of Education of St. Louis Public Schools, seconded by Natalie Vowell.

Aye: Dr. Joyce M. Roberts, Donna Jones, Matt Davis, Regina Fowler, Toni Cousins, Alisha Sonnier, Natalie Vowell

Nay: None

The motion passed.

## REPORTS OF THE BOARD/PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REQUEST

Natalie Vowell moved to approve the professional development request for Matt Davis and Joyce Roberts to attend the "Edvocating for Children" training hosted by MSBA on March 7, 2022, seconded by Toni Cousins.

### **Governance Committee:**

Dr. Joyce M Roberts moved to approve the Governance Committee's request to **obtain quotes to have SLPS Board of Education By-laws professionally reviewed and revised,** seconded by Regina Fowler.

Aye: Dr. Joyce M. Roberts, Donna Jones, Matt Davis, Regina Fowler, Toni Cousins, Alisha Sonnier

Abstain: Natalie Vowell

Nay: None

The motion passed.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:43 PM.

Motion by Alisha Sonnier, seconded by Natalie Vowell.

Aye: Dr. Joyce M. Roberts, Donna Jones, Matt Davis, Regina Fowler, Toni Cousins, Alisha Sonnier, Natalie Vowell

Nay: None

The motion passed.

Attested By:

Matthew Davis Board Secretary