

**CIX
TRANSITIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OF
SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD**

OFFICIAL REPORT

**2013-2014 SCHOOL CALENDAR
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
ST. LOUIS, MO
APRIL 25, 2013
(RESCHEDULED FROM APRIL 18, 2013)**

M I N U T E S

The Special Administrative Board of the Transitional School District of the City of St. Louis convened at 5:50PM to hear a presentation of the 2013-2014 School Calendar and to hear public comments. At the conclusion of the presentation, regular session convened. The meetings were held in Room 108 of the Administrative Building, 801 N. 11th Street, St. Louis, MO 63101.

ROLL CALL

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

A quorum was present.

The Board and audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

2013-2014 SCHOOL CALENDAR

On a motion by Ms. Adams, and seconded by Mr. Gaines, on the following roll call vote, the Board voted to hear public comments on the 2013-2014 School Calendar.

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

The presentation of the calendar was made by Deanna Anderson, Executive Director. No comments were presented from the audience. The District also solicited feedback via the web-site, a “call-in” phone number and 2 robo calls were made during the week of March 25th through April 1st. Below is an excerpt of the results.

- 110 comments were received.
- Good Friday was suggested as an off day for non 12 month employee.
- Changes in Professional Development days were suggested.
- Build snow-days into the calendar instead of extending the calendar at the end of the school year.
- Extend winter break to 2 weeks.
- Amend Parent Conference Day to 2 days allowing more flex time in terms for conferring with teachers for those parents who have more than one child attending the District.

Mr. Sullivan called for questions and comments from the Board. None being presented, regular session moved forward.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Sullivan called for a motion and a second to approve the March 20, 2013 open minutes. On a motion by Ms. Adams and seconded by Mr. Gaines on the following roll call vote, the Board voted to approve the March 20, 2013 open minutes.

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

STUDENT/STAFF RECOGNITION(S)

Students Kara Duong, Jacob Lindsey, Catina Jones, Monte Elkins and Mahogany Wilson were honored for being the winners of the 19th Annual Famous African Americans Portraits in recognition of Black History month. St. Louis Public Schools collaborates with the Missouri Botanical Garden annually for this event. ARAMARK sponsored the award winning prizes.

Likewise, the basketball team at College Prep at Madison High School won the MSHSAA Class 3A Basketball Championship. The game was played at the Mizzou Arena in Columbia, Missouri on March 9th. The players were Kevin Baker, Brandon Barton, Eric Clark, Chuwn Curtis, Devonte Dillard, Terronce Griffin, Terrell Herndon, Lawrence Hoby, Anthony Lee, Miles Nettles, Martavian Payne, Dashawn Usery and Dymein Ursery. The Team was led by Head Coach Altonio Irons and Assistant Coaches William Franklin and Jeremy Davis.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. William "Bill" Monroe read an article about testing irregularities that occurred in Atlanta, GA. He shared this article to emphasize that the focus should always be on the students and *that focus* is a shared responsibility of all those who have direct or indirect contact with the public education.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The 2nd Annual Scholar Athletic Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, May 1st at the Missouri Athletic Club from 11:30AM until 1:15PM. Four hundred and twelve student athletes will be honored. Student athletes had to maintain a 3.25 GPA to be considered for this event. This year's guest speakers will be Jackie Joyner-Kersey, Gold Medal Olympic Athlete and St. Louis Ram's General Manager, Les Snead.

- Metro High School again ranked #1 in public education according to the annual US News and World Report. Carnahan School of the Future came in #23. Congratulations were extended to the students and staff of those respective schools.

INFORMATION ITEMS

- Mrs. Sheila Smith-Anderson gave a report on Summer School for 2013. The program will serve students in grades Pre-K through 12th grade at 21 sites including Grisco. The instructional program for preschool includes social and emotional skills, academic readiness with emphasis on language development; the elementary program consist of guided reading, project-based integrated units and field experiences aligned to units; the

middle school covers Renaissance Math and Read 180, project-based integrated units, field experiences aligned to the units and 8th to 9th grade transition to high school program; the high school program will include credit recovery and ACE, CTE Internship Curriculum, Advance Placement and Biomedical Camp; and finally, the Alternative program will have credit recovery and the Missouri option programs offered.

At the time of this report, 6800 students had applied for Summer School. Summer School will be held June 3rd through June 27th. Tier 1 start time is from 7:30AM until 1:50PM and Tier II is from 9AM until 3:20PM.

- Dr. Cleopatra Figures, Deputy Superintendent of Accountability gave an updated report on the 2012-2013 State Testing and MSIP V. End of Course (EOC) Testing began April 8th and will end on May 7th. The Missouri Assessment Program (MAP) testing started on April 22nd and will end on May 10th. The District (along with 24 other States) is participating in a pilot test called *Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC)* which began February 20th and will conclude on May 10th. This test will replace the MAP test beginning in 2014-2015. The District is also participating in the America College Testing (ACT) scale study. ACT is developing ACT EXPIRED that is aligned to the common core standards of ACT. The study will take place May 10th through May 23rd at 16 schools, grades 3-11.

MSIP V Standards became official as of March 25, 2013. MSIP V promotes the State's "Top Ten by 20" Plan which focuses on student achievement. K12 districts, such as the St. Louis Public Schools, must earn a total of 140 Annual Performance Report (APR) points. High schools must meet 5 standards and 3 standards must be met by elementary and middle schools. Points are earned for each standard based on individual schools' performance. Accountability is required at each grade level. Credit is given for progress made and status maintained or improved.

- Mr. Louis Kruger, Executive Director of Recruitment and Counseling provided an updated report on Magnet and Choice Schools 2013-2014 Applications and Placements. With the new online application and 3 pool system, placement figures and waiting list applicants demonstrates actual numbers. The on-line application method is a valuable tool for both parents and the District. Applications are being processed quicker with parents receiving notification within a more practicable time frame. Parents also have the opportunity to track the status of their application(s) on-line.

The 3 pool system provides similar benefits, but also identifies which schools have openings and the status of the waiting list. As of this report, there are no openings at the elementary level, 193 openings are at the middle school level and 1456 openings are at the high school level. The waiting list consists of 1678 at the elementary level (mostly pre-school), 315 at the middle school level (mostly gifted) and 406 at the high school level. Administration is looking into alternative ways to accommodate the elementary level.

- Mr. Leon Fisher, Chief Financial Officer provided the GOB third quarter updates. In June 2012, the Board adopted a budget of \$264.8M and then revised the budget in July and November 2012 because of the additional expenditures and revenues associated with the absorption of the students from the former Imagine Academy. The amended GOB revenue budget totaled \$284.3M while expenditures totaled \$288.1M, with planned utilization of approximately \$3.8M from the GOB surplus. As of March 31, 2013, third quarter budget projections were \$286.8M for revenues and \$286.6 for expenditures creating a projected surplus of exactly \$200,000 at June 30, 2013. Local property tax revenues are expected to be collected at a rate of 90%.

- Dr. James Henderson gave a report on the District's *Teacher Hiring Fair* held on Saturday, April 20th. The Fair drew a total of 700 potential candidates. The prospective candidates were not only from Missouri, but from other States as well. Principals recommended the hiring of 174 candidates on-site. All site-based instructional staff is expected to be finalized by June 30, 2013.

BUSINESS ITEM(S):

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Sullivan called for a motion and a second to approve items **04-25-13-02, 04-25-13-03, 04-25-13-04, 04-25-13-05, 04-25-13-06, 04-25-13-15, 04-25-13-16, 04-25-13-17, 04-25-13-18, 04-25-13-19, 04-25-13-20, 04-25-13-21, 04-25-13-22, 04-25-13-23 and 04-25-13-24**. Mr. Gaines seconded for discussion only. Items **04-25-13-21 and 04-25-13-24** present a conflict of interest. Therefore, the motion died.

Mr. Sullivan then called for a motion and a second to remove items **04-25-13-21 and 04-25-13-24** due to a conflict of interest. On a motion by Ms. Adams, and seconded by Mr. Sullivan on the following roll call vote, the Board voted to remove items **04-25-13-21 and 04-25-13-24**.

AYE: Ms. Adams, Mr. Sullivan

ABSTAINED: Mr. Gaines

The motion carried.

Mr. Sullivan called for a motion and a second to approve items **04-25-13-02, 04-25-13-03, 04-25-13-04, 04-25-13-05, 04-25-13-06, 04-25-13-15, 04-25-13-16, 04-25-13-17, 04-25-13-18, 04-25-13-19, and 04-25-13-20**.

On a motion by Ms. Adams, and seconded by Mr. Gaines on the following roll call vote, the Board voted to approve items **04-25-13-02, 04-25-13-03, 04-25-13-04, 04-25-13-05, 04-25-13-06, 04-25-13-15, 04-25-13-16, 04-25-13-17, 04-25-13-18, 04-25-13-19, and 04-25-13-20**.

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

- 04-25-13-01** To approve the acceptance from the Clinton Global Initiative Brightergy for up to a 25 kW solar system for Gateway STEM High School.
Approved at the
March 20, 2013 Meeting
- 04-25-13-02** To approve the acceptance of instruments from Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation and Fidelity Investments for Soldan High School's Instrumental Music Department.
- 04-25-13-03** To approve Summer School 2013 at a total cost not to exceed \$3,300,000.
- 04-25-13-04** To approve and adopt the FY 2013-2014 School Calendar.
- 04-25-13-05** To approve the Safety and Risk Management Handbook for the 2012-2013 School Year.
- 04-25-13-06** To approve the February 2013 Monthly Transaction Report.
- 04-25-13-07** To approve the staffing of core subject classrooms to meet a Pupil Teacher Ratio (PTR) at the midpoint between DESE desirable and minimum PTR guidelines.
ITEM DIED
FOR LACK OF A MOTION
AT THE
MARCH 20, 2013 MEETING
- 04-25-13-08** To approve a change from a 3 Tier Bell System to a 2 Tier Bell System.
WITHDRAWN
- 04-25-13-09** To approve the closing of Sherman Elementary School.
Approved at the
March 20, 2013 Meeting
- 04-25-13-10** To approve the closing of L'Ouverture Middle School.
Approved at the
March 20, 2013 Meeting
- 04-25-13-11** To approve the closing of Cleveland NJROTC High School over the next three years. The school will not accept any 9th graders for the 2013-2014 school year and would be reduced by one grade each year.
WITHDRAWN
- 04-25-13-12** To approve the closing of Fresh Start South at Meda P and consolidating the Fresh Start program at Sumner.
Approved at the
March 20, 2013 Meeting
- 04-25-13-13** To approve the move of the Multiple Pathways Alternative program to Beaumont from Stevens.
Approved at the
March 20, 2013 Meeting
- 04-25-13-14** To approve payment of \$12,890 per year for 3 years to eligible participants that qualifies for retirement up to a total of \$5,156,000 per year for 3 years, if 400 employees participate.
Approved at the
March 20, 2013 Meeting
- 04-25-13-15** To ratify approval of a contract with FUSE for marketing materials production and placement for the period February 1, 2013 through June 30, 2013 at a cost not to exceed \$68,750 which includes a 10% contingency of \$6,250. The contract will contain an option to renew for up to 2 additional years with Board approval.
- 04-25-13-16** To approve a sole source contract renewal with Pearson, Inc., Teacher Education and Development Group to deliver the *Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol (SIOP)* Observation and Feedback training (April

27th and May 17th) and the Component Enhancement training (August 17th and September 7th) at a total combined cost not to exceed \$20,000.

- 04-25-13-17** To approve a sole source contract renewal with US Bank to provide the District's banking services for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.
- 04-25-13-18** To approve a contract renewal with Tyler Technologies, Inc. for the annual license renewal of the Student Information System for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 at a cost not to exceed \$361,380, pending funding availability.
- 04-25-13-19** To approve a contract renewal for Virtual School through Connections Academy, Aventa Learning, Missouri Council on Economic Education, Florida Virtual School, The North Kansas City School District and any other DESE approved vendor for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 at a total combined amount not to exceed \$100,000, pending funding availability.
- 04-25-13-20** To approve a contract renewal with eSchool Solutions, Inc. for the annual maintenance fee for the Substitute Employee Management System (Smart Find Express) for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 at a cost not to exceed \$14,800, pending funding availability.
- 04-25-13-22** To approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the Curators of the University of Missouri on behalf of the School and Family Counseling Center to provide therapeutic counseling services to students at Long Middle for the period April 26, 2013 through June 30, 2014.
- 04-25-13-23** To approve a purchase of services from Riddell All-American through Cooperating School Districts to provide reconditioning and sanitation services for the football helmets and shoulder pads. The services will be performed during the period April 26, 2013 through June 15, 2013 at a cost not to exceed \$26,000.

Mr. Sullivan then called for a motion and a second to approve items **04-25-13-21** and **04-25-13-24**. On a motion by Ms. Adams, and seconded by Mr. Sullivan on the following roll call vote, the Board voted to approve items **04-25-13-21** and **04-25-13-24**.

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

The motion carried.

- 04-25-13-21** To approve a contract renewal with Holmes Murphy to provide benefits consulting services for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 at a cost not to exceed \$151,700, pending funding availability.
- 04-25-13-24** To approve rescinding Policies and Regulations R3110, P3120, R3120, P3150, R3150.1, P3170 and R3170 and to approve the revision of Board Policy P3110 that will incorporate and consolidate pertinent verbiage relative to the aforementioned policies. If approved, the new policy will become effective July 1, 2013.

Superintendent Adams requested the approval of Resolution Numbers **05-09-13-07, and 05-09-13-24 through 05-09-13-24.**

Mr. Sullivan called for a motion and a second to approve Resolution Number **05-09-13-07.** On a motion by Ms. Adams, and seconded by Mr. Gaines on the following roll call vote, the Board voted to approve, Resolution Number **05-09-13-07.**

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

05-09-13-07 To approve the revisions to the 2012-2013 school calendar.

Mr. Sullivan called for a motion and a second to approve Resolution Numbers **05-09-13-24 through 05-09-13-32.** Ms. Adams moved and Mr. Gaines seconded for discussion. After some discussion, Mr. Gaines moved that the motion be amended to state, "LED lights are to be reviewed in terms of what the applications are relative to any item that comes before the Board requesting an upgrade/removal of lights. And further, when the motion is presented for action on said item(s), it should note the same". The amended motion was seconded by Ms. Adams as the originator of the motion and approved by the Board on the following roll call vote.

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

05-09-13-24 To approve a contract with Raineri Construction to remove and replace existing lighting fixtures in the main and practice gymnasiums in Vashon High School. The work shall begin on April 26, 2013 and end on July 31, 2013 at a cost not to exceed \$344,610.20, which includes a 10% contingency of \$31,328.20.

05-09-13-25 To approve a contract with Raineri Construction to install complete playground systems at Lyon Academy at Blow and Gateway Michael Elementary School. The project also includes the removal and replacement of the existing safety surfaces at Stix ECC Elementary School. The work shall begin on April 26, 2013 and end on July 19, 2013 at a cost not to exceed \$184,646.07, which includes a 10% contingency of \$16,786.

05-09-13-26 To approve a contract with Raineri Construction to for tuckpointing, painting, and replacing flooring at Sumner and Roosevelt High Schools. The work shall begin on April 26, 2013 and end on July 31, 2013 at a cost not to exceed \$4,860,045.30, which includes a 10% contingency of \$441,822.30.

05-09-13-27 To approve a contract with Demien Construction for Restroom Renovations at Category 3 and 4 schools. The work shall begin on April 26, 2013 and end on August 31, 2013 at a cost not to exceed \$4,739,900, which includes a 10% contingency of \$430,900.

05-09-13-28 To approve a contract with Demien Construction to replace five sets of double doors leading from the cafeteria to adjacent north and south corridors at Roosevelt High School. The work shall begin on April 26, 2013 and end on June 30, 2013 at a cost not to exceed \$60,500 which includes a 10% contingency of \$5,500.

- 05-09-13-29** To approve a contract with Interface Construction to replace non-compliant doors and locksets in classrooms, offices and public areas in multiple schools. The work shall begin on April 26, 2013 and end on July 31, 2013 at a cost not to exceed \$366,177.90 which includes a 10% contingency of \$33,288.90.
- 05-09-13-30** To approve a contract with American Boiler to replace the heat pumps for the gymnasiums and stage areas at Froebel and Lexington Elementary Schools. The work shall begin on April 26, 2013 and end on August 1, 2013 at a cost not to exceed \$222,393 which includes a 10% contingency of \$20,218.
- 05-09-13-31** To approve a contract with American Boiler to replace two chillers at Hickey Elementary School. The work shall begin on April 26, 2013 and end on August 1, 2013 at a cost not to exceed \$218,680 which includes a 10% contingency of \$19,880.
- 05-09-13-32** To approve a contract with Johnson Controls to install a hot gas bypass circuit on the York chiller at Sigel Elementary School. The work shall begin on April 26, 2013 and end on June 30, 2013 at a cost not to exceed \$29,075.20 which includes a 10% contingency of \$2,643.20.

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

OLD BUSINESS

Regarding Resolution Number 04-25-13-01 that was approved at the March 20, 2013 Meeting, Mr. Gaines moved for a motion that administration investigate and provide a report on “structured energy savings programs” that could provide assistance in terms of utilizing the 25 kW solar systems in all schools and unused buildings. This report is to be submitted no later than June 6, 2013, the next SAB meeting.

Mr. Sullivan called for a motion and a second. On a motion by Mr. Gaines, and seconded by Ms. Adams on the following roll call vote, the Board voted to direct administration to investigate and provide a report on “structured energy savings programs” that could provide assistance in terms of utilizing the 25 kW solar systems in all schools and unused buildings. This report is to be submitted no later than June 6, 2013, the next SAB meeting.

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

BOARD MEMBER UPDATE(S)

None.

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 7:29PM.

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