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

OFFICIAL REPORT

Regular Meeting

**St. Louis, MO, February 11, 2010
MINUTES**

The Special Administrative Board of the Transitional School District of the City of St. Louis met on the date noted beginning at 5:00 p.m., in Room 108 of the Administrative Building, 801 N. 11th Street, St. Louis, MO 63101.

ROLL CALL

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

The Board and audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

STUDENT RECOGNITION

The Spirit of Excellence Award was presented to 4th grade Shaw VPA students Ola Stewart, Cindy Brown and Simone Shelton. The students were honored for their exceptional art work titled "Sooth Me to My Soul" which is on display at the Sheldon Art Galleries as part of the *All about the Blues Exhibit*.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Ms. Adams, and seconded by Mr. Gaines, on the following roll call vote, the Board voted to approve the November 19, 2009, December 3, 2009 and December 17, 2009 Minutes.

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

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Activities are being held throughout district schools in recognition of Black History Month. For participation, please refer to the web site for dates and times.

- A fund has been established in support of the McCall family who lost their daughter, a student at Mullanphy School to a house fire. The family, as well, lost all their belongings. On February 10th, Superintendent Adams attended Busch AAA's opening of their Strengthen and Coordination Program. The program is sponsored by Logan College of Chiropractor. Twenty-six 6th graders will participate in the after-school program.
- SLPS has launched over 3,000 on-line Career and Tech courses through Education-to-Go. The six week courses are facilitated by instructors who will provide assistance and encouragement.
- SLPS received National recognition. Gateway High was recognized by Education Week for its Animal Science Program, Urban Advocacy recognized the full service schools as a model in education and National Public Radio completed an extensive story on the collaborative works of community involvement concerning Sumner School.
- SLPS will be closed Monday, February 15, 2010 in observance of President's Day.

INFORMATION ITEMS

- Audit Committee Chair, Harry Rich reported the Committee's findings relative to the district's financial and budgetary management. Eight recommendations were presented. The committee was established to review, recommend, and comment on the effectiveness of the district's internal controls and risk management system, internal audit programs, independent audit programs and the process monitoring compliance for financial rules and regulations.

Mr. Jeff Winter a partner of RubinBrown presented the required communication of the district's financial statements and compliance for fiscal year ending 2009. Mr. Winter reported that there were improvements in regards to compliance. However; this doesn't mean that there were no findings present.

Ms. Mary Kay Lofgren, Engagement Manager of RubinBrown provided a summary of the district's internal controls and federal and state compliance where the district presented areas of weakness.

BUSINESS ITEMS

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 February 11, 2010 consent agenda items 02-11-10-01 through 02-11-10-10.

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- 02-11-10-01** A Memorandum of Understanding with Better Family Life, Inc. to provide services to students, families and community. Better Family Life, Inc. provides a variety of social service programs.

- 02-11-10-02** A Memorandum of Understanding with the Center for Survivors of Torture and War Trauma to serve immigrant and refugee students in an after school mentoring program.
- 02-11-10-03** A Memorandum of Understanding with the Healthcare Education, LLC to provide CNA, CMT and Phlebotomy classes to registered students.
- 02-11-10-04** A Memorandum of Understanding with the St. Louis Agency on Training and Employment (SLATE) to provide referrals for jobs, job fairs, employment counseling, assistance to displaced workers and TANF recipients.
- 02-11-10-05** A Memorandum of Understanding with the Human Development Corporation to assist the unemployed and the underemployed, age 18 and over, attain job readiness skills and employment skills; and to promote the higher education, planning, career exploration and mentoring for low-income students grades 5-8 through the Corporation's "Young Scholar Academy".
- 02-11-10-06** A Memorandum of Understanding with the Tracyne Caumartin, LCIW/Total Approach LLC to provide individual and family counseling services.
- 02-11-10-07** A sole source contract with the Center of Effort, LLC (Dr. Jeri Levesque) for consulting services to be provided February 12, 2010 through June 30, 2010 at a cost not to exceed \$30,000.
- 02-11-10-08** To ratify the renewal of a contract with SAP to provide maintenance and enterprise support services for the SAP financial system and the BSI Payroll Tax software for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 at a cost not to exceed \$260,808.
- 02-11-10-09** A contract with Showroom Shine to provide consulting services of 10 lecture sessions to the designated Career and Technical Education Programs for the period February 12, 2010 through June 30, 2010 at a cost not to exceed \$5,000.
- 02-11-10-10** The purchase of 4 classroom sets of Dreamweaver software from the Softchoice Corporation for Vashon, Beaumont, Gateway and Roosevelt High Schools at a combined cost not to exceed \$12,381.

Regarding the February 25, 2010 items for consideration, Superintendent Adams requested that item numbers 02-25-10-05 and 02-25-10-07 be approved.

On a motion by Ms. Adams, and seconded by Mr. Gaines, on the following roll call vote, the Board voted to approve item number 02-25-10-05, to accept the funds from Washington University for services for one full-time parent educator with fringe benefits or two (2) part-time educators for two years as part of the Early Childhood Connection (ECC) grant in the amount of \$34,762.

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On a motion by Ms. Adams, and seconded by Mr. Gaines, on the following roll call vote, the Board voted to approve item number 02-25-10-07, to ratify a contract with Ranken Technical College for the Dual Enrollment program with selected Career and Technical Education students at a cost not to exceed \$38,075 for the period January 11, 2010 through June 30, 2010.

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BOARD MEMBER UPDATE(S)

There were no Board Member Updates

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:45 p.m., there being no further business before the Board in open session, on the following roll call vote, the Board voted to adjourn.

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