

**SPECIAL MEETING - BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS - Clyde C Miller Academy High School - 1000 North Grand Boulevard - 6:30PM (Tuesday, December 15, 2020)**

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Ms. Dorothy Rohde-Collins, Ms. Susan R Jones, Ms. Natalie Vowell, Ms. Donna Jones, Dr. Joyce M Roberts, Mr. Adam Layne, Ms. Regina Fowler, Superintendent Dr. Kelvin Adams, Mr. Jeffrey St. Omer of Mickes O'Toole, and Ms. Pamela Bell, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

CALL TO ORDER  
ROLL CALL  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

STUDENT/STAFF RECOGNITIONS - None  
APPROVAL OF MINUTES - None  
PUBLIC COMMENTS

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

The District's Financial Engagement Partner, Jeff Winter, of Rubin Brown presented the audit overview.

Ms. Angela Banks presented the Monthly Financial Update and noted that the monthly financial statements are posted on the District's website.

Dr. Adams presented the final summary on school consolidations and recommended the Board postpone their votes on the consolidation until January 12, 2021. This will allow the District to meet with key stakeholders, elected officials, and key schools impacted by the closure.

Ms. Fowler suggested that Board members attend the meetings and mayoral candidates should be included in the discussions.

Ms. Vowell commented that since school names were released, it seems like there is more commitment and interest. People are actually stepping up trying to help. She also asked if the Board can tour the remaining schools? Dr. Adams replied yes.

Ms. Susan Jones thanked Dr. Adams for the extension and said the Board is looking forward to having effective conversations with elected officials over the next 30 days regarding school closures. Ms. Vowell added that she appreciates the willingness to be flexible by postponing the vote.

Ms. Rohde-Collins questioned how does postponing the night of the vote erode trust or perpetrate trauma? What is going to be different this time? Calls received for postponing have not had students at the center of the ask. She concluded by stating that she does not support the postponement.

**DECEMBER 15, 2020 ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

Action (Consent), OTHER: (12-15-20-01) Approval and to adopt the Superintendent's 2020-2021 Consolidation and Closure Proposed School Action recommendations based on Transformation Plan 3.0, which includes the consolidation of schools: Clay, Cleveland, Dunbar, Fanning, Farragut, Ford, Hickey, Monroe, Northwest, Sumner, and Carnahan effective with the 2020-2021 school session. This plan supports Transformation Plan: Pillar 1 - Excellent Schools; Goal 1C (Financial Sustainability) and Pillar 2 - Fairness and Equity Across the System and Goal 2B (Equitable Resource Distribution).

**Motion made by Ms. Vowell, seconded by Ms. Fowler to remove Resolution Number 12-15-20-01 and postpone vote until January 12, 2021.**

**Final Resolution, Motion passed, 6 ayes, 1 nay (D Rohde-Collins)**

Action (Consent), OTHER: (12-15-20-02) To approve the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and the Compliance Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020. This service supports Pillar 1: Excellent Schools, Goal 1C: Financial Sustainability.

**Motion by Mr. Layne, seconded by Ms. S Jones to approve Resolution Number 12-15-20-02.**

**Final Resolution: Motion passed, 7 ayes, no nays**

**REPORTS OF THE BOARD**

Ms. Vowell reported that the Governance Committee has been postponed until January 4, 2021.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 7:47PM

**Motion by Mr. Layne, seconded by Ms. Fowler**

**Final Resolution: Motion passed, 7 ayes, no nays**

ATTESTED BY:



MS DOROTHY ROHDE-COLLINS

BOARD PRESIDENT