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BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF
THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS**

OFFICIAL REPORT

**Regular Board Meeting
St. Louis, MO
December 12, 2017**

MINUTES

The Board of Education of the City of St. Louis met in Open Session pursuant to Board Bylaw B9350 on the date noted above at Lexington Elementary, 5030 Lexington Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63115.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting came to order at 6:44 p.m.

PRESENT: Charli Cooksey, Bill Haas, Donna Jones, Susan Jones,
Dorothy Rohde Collins, Natalie Vowell

ABSENT: Katherine Wessling

A quorum was present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All recited the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:45 p.m.

APPEARANCES - INVITED GUESTS

None

APPEARANCES - PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Susan Turk addressed the Board regarding the Special Taskforce on Alternative Governance and her observation of a meeting that she attended on Monday, December 4, 2017.

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- Ms. Turk recommends that the Board extend an invitation to Adolphus Pruitt to attend a meeting, to get acquainted with the members of the Elected Board.

APPROVAL AND ADOPTION OF THE – DECEMBER 12, 2017 MEETING AGENDA

On a motion by President Susan Jones and seconded by Ms. Charli Cooksey, the Board voted to approve and adopt the December 12, 2017 Meeting Agenda as amended, on the following roll call vote:

AYE: Charli Cooksey, Bill Haas, Donna Jones, Susan Jones,
Dorothy Rohde Collins, Natalie Vowell

The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS SESSIONS:

- **OCTOBER 10, 2017**
- **NOVEMBER 14, 2017**

On a motion by Ms. Dorothy Rohde Collins and seconded by Ms. Donna Jones, the Board voted to postpone the approval of Meeting Minutes from October 10, 2017 and November 14, 2017 until the next meeting.

AYE: Charli Cooksey, Bill Haas, Donna Jones, Susan Jones,
Dorothy Rohde Collins, Natalie Vowell

The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

MSBA December Board Report

- The Board and audience members watched the MSBA's monthly video to keep up with the Missouri School Boards' Association's activities and statewide education issues.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Bill Haas reported on the following:

- The Pilot Program has been implemented in SLPS for teacher assistants in 1st and 2nd grade classrooms and two controlled classrooms.
- A teacher assistant is required to have at least 60 credit hours of college work or a college degree.

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- Mr. Haas is advocating for teacher assistants for all classrooms.

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Susan Jones reported on the following:

- The email received from Alderwoman Carol Howard regarding crossing guards
- Presented the information to the Superintendent Dr. Kelvin Adams for feedback
- The Superintendent told President Jones he would discuss the matter with the SAB, and follow up with her.
- As of this meeting, President Jones has not yet received a follow up from Dr. Adams and she will bring it up at the next meeting with the Superintendent.
- President Jones invited board members to participate in the meeting if available.

INFORMATION REQUESTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, upon a motion by Charli Cooksey and seconded by Susan Jones, the meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m. on the following roll call vote:

AYE: Charli Cooksey, Bill Haas, Donna Jones, Susan Jones,
Dorothy Rohde Collins, Natalie Vowell

The motion carried.

ATTESTED BY:

NATALIE VOWELL, SECRETARY