

MONTHLY WORK SESSION OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS -Administration Building - 801 N. 11th Street - 6:30 PM (Tuesday, March 26, 2024)

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Attendance: Tracy Hykes, Sadie Weiss, Emily Hubbard, Donna Jones, Natalie Vowell, Matthew "Matt" Davis, and Antionette "Toni" Cousins.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APRIL CONSENT AGENDA

(04-09-24-01) To approve a new contract with SchooLinks to provide a platform for College and Career Readiness (CCR) activities, which will assist middle and high school students, parents/guardians, counselors, and Career & Technical Education (CTE) teachers by providing a complete set of tools to enable students and staff to improve student performance and empower educators - from educating younger learners about potential careers, helping students explore and apply to colleges, or finding entry-level positions to jumpstart a career. The SchooLinks platform will be provided at a cost not to exceed \$69,549.62 for the contract period from April 10, 2024, to June 30, 2026. This service supports Pillar 4: Learn to Read and Succeed, Goal 2: Access to grade-level content 100% of the time.

(04-09-24-02) To approve the renewal of a Memorandum of Understanding with Compass Group USA, Inc. to provide school-to-work transition training for special education students enrolled at Nottingham CAJT High School from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at no cost. This service supports Pillar 5: Grow Community Partners and Resources. Goal 1: Increase the number of volunteers/mentors by 10%.

(04-09-24-03) To approve the renewal of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Preferred Family Healthcare (PFH) Incorporated, to provide continuous educational opportunities for SLPS Special Education Services students who are substance abuse patients of Preferred Family Healthcare by a certified homebound teacher for the period of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at no cost. This service supports Pillar 1: Excellent Schools; Goal 1: Reinforce advanced accreditation; Pillar 5: Grow Community Partners and Resources; Goal 2: Increase the number of strategic partnerships by 5%.

(04-09-24-04) To approve the renewal of a Memorandum of Understanding with Near Southside Employment Coalition to provide school-to-work transition training for high school junior and senior level students with disabilities in all SLPS High Schools from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at no cost. This service supports Pillar 4: Learn to Read and Succeed, Goal 2: Access to grade-level content 100% of the time.

(04-09-24-05) To approve the renewal of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Special School District (SSD) to maximize the use of available local resources in providing early childhood special education services and related services to young children and families for the period July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at no cost. This service supports Pillar 5: Grow Community Partnerships Resources, Goal 2: Increase the number of strategic partnerships by 5%

(04-09-24-06) To approve the proposed 2024-25 and 2025-2026 School Calendars. Calendar Committee Members represented Central Office leadership, school-based leadership, and AFT Local 420 membership. This process supports Pillar 1: Creates a system of excellent schools.

(04-09-24-07) To approve contract renewals with M3 Embroidery and Apparel, City Apparel, I3Logix, Logo It, and EPI Educational Products as the "Preferred Vendor" status for District-Wide Promotional Items (including but not limited to lanyards, mugs, pens, key chains, portfolios, etc..) for the period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, at a combined cost not exceed \$500,000.00, pending funding availability. Each department and school may purchase these items using their appropriate budget. FY 24-25 will be the first year of the two one-year renewal options. This service supports Pillar 2: Advance Fairness Across the System; Goal 1: Remove Barriers and Help Students Access Academic Enrichment Experiences.

(04-09-24-08) To approve contract renewals with M3 Embroidery and Apparel, BSN Sports, City Apparel, Logo It, and EPI Educational Products as the "Preferred Vendor" status to provide screen printing and embroidery services for District-Wide T-shirts and Apparel (including but not limited to: T-shirts, hats, hoodies, joggers, polo shirts, etc.) for the period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, at a combined cost not exceed \$500,000.00, pending funding availability. Each department and school may purchase these items using their appropriate budget. FY 24-25 will be the first year of the two one-year renewal options. This service supports Pillar 2: Advance Fairness Across the System Goal 1: Remove Barriers and Help Students Access Academic Enrichment Experiences.

(04-09-24-09) To approve a sole source purchase from Harvest Technology Group through TIPS USA Co-Op membership for Content360° to provide electronic document management, software licenses, and training for the period June 15, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at a cost not to exceed \$76,725. This Cloud Based Document Management System will facilitate automating and creating a paperless process to support the transfer of documents between St. Louis Public Schools' Finance Department and its Non-Public School partners. This service supports Pillar 1: Excellent Schools, Goal 1C: Financial Sustainability.

(04-09-24-10) To approve the purchase of goods and services from various vendors to further Professional Development and expansion of Student Services for the District's non-public partners during the period of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at the total combined cost not to exceed \$2,000,000. This is to support non-public schools within the boundaries of SLPS (see attached list of non-public schools). These services support Pillar 5: Community Partnership Resources Goal 5D: Expand Private/Public Grant Engagement.

(04-09-24-11) To approve a contract with Maxim Healthcare Staffing Services, Inc., to provide nursing services to students per their specified support as indicated in the 504 Plan for the period of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2026, at a cost not to exceed

\$60,000 annually. This contract includes two one-year renewal options. This service supports Pillar 2: Fairness and Equity Across System, Goal 2D: SLPS will increase partnership effectiveness to provide school services.

(04-09-24-12) To approve the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) and the Compliance Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023. This service supports Pillar 1: Excellent Schools, Goal 1C: Financial Sustainability

(04-09-24-13) To approve a sole source contract with C. Rallo Construction to provide all supplies, equipment, materials, and labor to build cubicle spaces in Student Support Services 1st floor at Central Office for the period of February 15, 2024, through June 30, 2024 at a cost not to exceed \$100,000.00, to be funded by the General Operating Budget. This is an expedited request per the directive of the Chief of Schools. The contract supports Pillar 1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1B: Safe & Secure Schools.

(04-09-24-14) To approve acceptance of funds from Safe Haven Defense. This a reimbursement grant of \$300,000 (original Board Resolution 11-14-23-10) from DESE to help cover the costs of adding protective safety film to first-floor windows on all 62 school buildings. Based on the quote provided, this will not cover the entire project, but it is the maximum award we could receive for this grant. However, as of March 2024, the new grant amount is \$404,553.74. Safe Haven Defense will service the following schools: Gateway Complex, Vashon High School, Froebel Elementary, Meramec Elementary, Central Administration Office, Laclede Elementary, Hodgen Elementary, and Central VPA. The reimbursement grant allows SLPS to submit documentation until April 2024 to cover expenses. With the Operations plan to add safety film to all first-floor windows in school buildings, every student in the District will benefit. This will help support pillar 1, Excellent Schools, by creating safe environments for students to learn.

(04-09-24-15) To approve a contract with Ameresco Inc. to perform Performance Management/Facility Renewal services which is a turnkey approach on energy efficient projects that save energy, reduce energy costs and decrease operations and maintenance costs at the following schools: Bertha Know Gilkey – Pamoja Preparatory, Betty Wheeler, Mullanphy, Walbridge and Yeatman from the period of March 12, 2024 through June 30, 2025 at a cost not to exceed \$26,191,428.29 to be funded by Proposition S. The contract supports Pillar 1: A System of Excellent Schools, Goal 1B: Safe & Secure Schools.

(04-09-24-16) To approve a new contract with IPNS from RFP #009-2024 for Wide Area Network (WAN) and Local Area Network (LAN) maintenance services for the period July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at a cost not to exceed \$170,000, pending funding availability. This service is for non-E-Rate schools. This service supports Pillar 1: Excellent Schools, Goal 1C: Financial Sustainability. This contract has a renewal option for two additional years.

(04-09-24-17) To approve a contract with IPNS from RFP #009-2024 for the replacement of UPS equipment and anticipated switch breakage for the period of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at a cost not to exceed \$179,795 annually, pending funding availability. The SLPS discounted portion is anticipated to be \$26,969 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 contract has a renewal option for two additional years.

(04-09-24-18) To approve a contract with IPNS from RFP #009-2024 to provide Network Monitoring Services for the period of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, 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 contract has a renewal option for two additional years.

(04-09-24-19) To approve a contract with IPNS from RFP #009-2024 to provide SmartNet maintenance coverage for the period of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at a cost not to exceed \$88,266, pending funding availability. This contract has a renewal option for two additional years. This service supports Pillar 1: Excellent Schools, Goal 1C: Financial Sustainability.

(04-09-24-20) To approve a contract with IPNS from RFP #009-2024 to provide E-Rate WAN/LAN maintenance for the period of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, 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 E-Rate under the new re-authorization. This service supports Pillar 1: Excellent Schools, Goal 1C: Financial Sustainability. This contract has a renewal option for two additional years.

(04-09-24-21) To approve a contract with IPNS from RFP #009-2024 to provide EOL maintenance for the period of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at a cost not to exceed \$300,000 annually, pending funding availability. This contract has a renewal option for two additional years. This is for equipment that is no longer covered through SmartNet. This service supports Pillar 1: Excellent Schools, Goal 1C: Financial Sustainability.

(04-09-24-22) To approve a new contract with TSI from RFP #010-2024 to provide network wiring (new projects), wiring repair for non-E-Rate schools and auditorium, microphones, and other audio-visual equipment for all schools during the period of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at a cost not to exceed \$110,000 pending funding availability. This contract has a renewal option for two additional years. This service supports Pillar 1: Excellent Schools, Goal 1C: Financial Sustainability.

PRESENTATIONS

- Dr. Claire Crapo presented the Calendar update.
- Dr. Myra Berry presented the Staffing update.
- Charles Wright Jr. presented the Procurement transformation update.

REPORTS OF THE BOARD

- Matt Davis gave an Audit Committee meeting report. The Audit will be voted on at the next Board meeting. The next

legislative committee meeting is April 8, 2024 at 4 pm via Zoom. MSBA has begun their policy revisions for SLPS. There will be a six month roll out.

- Toni Cousins-Gave a report on the legislative and ESSER breakout sessions at the Council of the Great City Schools conference. A special thank you to every effort for the Ballin' in the Lou and 314 Day events.
- Donna Jones- Gave a report on the Legislative conformance report from the conference hosted by the Council of the Great City Schools.
- Emily Hubbard- Gave a report on the March 14, 2024 Proposition S oversight committee meeting.
- Tracy Hykes-Jefferson Elementary and Local 420 is sponsoring a program that pays parents to read to their children.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Matt Davis, seconded by Tracy Hykes.

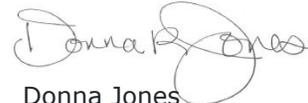
The meeting adjourned at 8:11 pm.

Aye: Tracy Hykes, Sadie Weiss, Emily Hubbard, Natalie Vowell, Donna Jones, Matt Davis, Toni Cousins

Nay: None

The motion passed.

Attested By:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Donna Jones". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Donna Jones
Board Secretary