

Record of Proceedings of a regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District of University City, St. Louis County, held at Ronald E. McNair Administration Building, 8136 Groby Road, University City, Missouri, November 17, 2011.

The following Board members were present:

Mr. Stacy Clay, President; Ms. Linda Peoples, Vice President; Ms. Ellen Bern, Secretary; Ms. Maria Chappelle-Nadal, Mr. Rod Jennings, Mr. Tom Peters, Mr. Rick Salamon, Directors; and Ms. Caroline Martinez, Student Representative to the Board.

Ms. Joylynn Pruitt, Superintendent; Dr. Darryl Cobb, Assistant Superintendent/Human Resources; Mr. Scott Hafertepe, Chief Financial Officer/Business & Financial Management; Ms. Bernadette White, Executive Director/Pupil Personnel; Mr. Karl Scheidt, Executive Director/Operations, and approximately 14 staff members, students, and citizens were present.

CALL TO ORDER

There being a quorum present, Mr. Clay called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Caroline Martinez highlighted various events that took place at University City High School.

Ms. Pruitt

- Wednesday, November 23 is an early release day for PreK-12 Professional Development. Schools and offices are closed on Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25. We wish all our students and staff a safe and happy Thanksgiving.
- Brittany Woods Middle School is hosting two days of FIRST Robotics qualifiers this weekend with teams from across the St. Louis area competing. The events begin at 8:00 a.m. and run through 4:30 p.m. both Saturday and Sunday. We invite parents and students of all ages, as well as our community members, to come see first-hand how robotics engages students in learning math, science and engineering. Good luck to our UCity teams that will be competing this weekend!
- University City Education foundation's annual winter shopping fundraiser at Plowsharing Crafts in the Delmar Loop is Monday, December 5 from 6:00 p.m. to

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9:00 p.m. Mention the Education Foundation at the register, and a portion of your purchase will be donated to help support schools in University City.

- The University City Parent Advisory Council for Special School District will host a parent-to-parent coffee on Wednesday, December 7 at 9:30 a.m. in the McNair Board Room. Parents are invited to attend this informal gathering to discuss the support services and resources available to SSD families.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

No one addressed the Board.

PREVIOUS MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes, was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items were presented under the Consent Agenda which can be approved by a single motion and vote.

Approval	12-00	Personnel Recommendations
Approval	12-47	Order for Drawing Checks

A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

12-48 HOME WORKS! THE TEACHER HOME VISIT PROGRAM

Home Works! The Teacher Home Visit Program trains and pays teachers to go to their students' homes to forge a relationship with the family. The mission of the program is to advance academic achievement by providing educators with the tools and support to strengthen relationships between students, parents and teachers.

Home Works! The Teacher Home Visit Program in St. Louis aims to raise academic achievement by building bridges between parents and teachers who may not be connecting and communicating effectively. The goals and outcomes are to:

- improve academic achievement and test scores
- decrease discipline referrals
- increase attendance at school for the students and at conferences for the parents
- increase parental involvement
- increase homework completion

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- improve behavior and attitudes about school

Home Works! The Teacher Home Visit Program has been implemented in the University City School District this semester at three schools: Pershing Elementary School, Barbara C. Jordan Elementary School and Julia Goldstein Early Childhood Education Center.

Ms. White, along with Ms. Karen Kalish, Founder and Executive Director of Home Works! The Teacher Home Visit Program presented an update on the program implementation in the District and responded to questions from the Board.

A lengthy question and answer period took place.

12-49 DISTRICT COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL IMPORVEMENT PLAN (CSIP) &
ACCOUNTABILITY PLAN UPDATE

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the proposed revisions to the District Comprehensive School Improvement Plan to include the new accountability targets as presented in the November 3, 2011 Board Work Session for implementation through 2012 with an annual review and presentation to the Board.

All districts are required by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) to develop a Comprehensive School Improvement Plan (CSIP). The CSIP is designed for district-wide improvement with a major focus on continuous student achievement. From a DESE perspective, the CSIP also serves as the district accountability plan.

DESE requires that the CSIP be reviewed and revised annually to reflect the completed and evolving work of the District. In addition, completion dates within the CSIP were revised to be accomplished within a two to three year window. On September 21, 2011, the District Accountability Committee, the CSIP monitoring committee, reviewed the revised CSIP and recommended that it is submitted to the Board of Education for approval.

Ms. Pruitt and Dr. Williams presented this item and responded to questions from the Board.

A brief discussion ensued.

A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

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12-50 BOARD OF EDUCATION PROCEDURES

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the Board Procedures as outlined.

1. Any Board member can ask the president to place an item on the upcoming agenda. It will be done in the upcoming or the next meeting, depending on the length of the agenda.
2. Board members will make quarterly oral reports to the Board on their committees.

President Stacy Clay presented this item and responded to questions from the Board.

A lengthy discussion took place.

A motion to approve was made and seconded.

After further discussion, Mr. Salamon withdrew his motion. Mr. Clay indicated that this item will be pulled and brought back at a later time pending further clarification and discussion.

12-51 2012 ANNUAL ELECTION

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the Resolution and Timeline for the April 3, 2012 election.

The election will be for two (2) members to serve for a term of three (3) years.

Candidates for Director on the Board of Education may pick up their materials for their information and use in declaring their candidacy, prior to the first day of filing, in the Board of Education Office, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The first day of filing is December 13, 2011, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; the closing date is January 17, 2012, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The McNair Administration Building is not accessible before 6:30 a.m., the day of filing.

A brief discussion ensued.

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It was requested that the Resolution include language regarding the usage of paper ballots.

A motion to approve, as amended, was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

12-52 NEW AND/OR REVISED POLICIES & REGULATIONS

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the policies below as presented.

First Reading/Final Approval

Section B: School Board Governance and Operations

BCA Board Organizational Meeting

Section K: School-Community Relations

KB Public Information Program

Ms. Pruitt presented this item and responded to questions from the Board.

A brief discussion took place.

A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

12-53 NEW AND/OR REVISED POLICIES & REGULATIONS

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the policies below as presented.

First Reading/Final Approval

Section F: Facilities Development

FF Facility Names

FFA Memorials on Facilities and Grounds

Section I: Instruction

IA Instructional Goals/Priority Objectives

IF Curriculum Development

IGA Basic Instructional Programs

IGAC Teaching about Religion

IGAD Occupational Education

IGAEA Teaching about Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco

IGBC Parent/Family Involvement in Instructional and Other Programs

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IGBCA	Programs for Homeless Students
IGBCB	Programs for Migrant Students
IGBD	At-Risk Students
IGBG	Homebound Instruction
IGBH	Programs for English Language Learners
IGBI	Home Schooling
IGC	Extended Instructional Programs

Ms. Pruitt, along with Ms. White, presented this item and responded to questions from the Board.

A frank and cordial exchange of views ensued.

A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

12-54 SMART BOARDS

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the purchase of 17 SMART Boards and installation by Kansas City Audio Visual in the amount of \$48,331.00.

In keeping with its mission that is aligned with achieving the District's CSIP goals, Technology Support Services would like to purchase 17 SMART Boards with installation from Kansas City Audio Visual (KCAV).

Technology Support Services solicited three bids from SMART Board dealers: TSI, KCAV, and Schiller's. Installation is included in the unit price.

Overall, adding the SMART Boards increases the District's technology structure, which allows the teachers to infuse technology in the classroom. The SMART Boards also allow for factors of the Instructional Core to be implemented using technology.

<u>Vendors</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>	<u>Total</u>
TSI	17	\$3,283.10	\$55,812.70
Schiller's	17	\$3,113.95	\$52,937.15
KCAV	17	\$2,843.00	\$48,331.00

Dr. Barcus Jackson presented this item and responded to questions from the Board.

A brief discussion took place.

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A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to hold an executive session before the regularly scheduled meeting on December 15, 2011 for discussions of personnel, real estate, legal matters, pupil personnel, and meet and confer. The meeting, records and votes are to be closed to the public. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously by a roll call vote: Ms. Bern, Ms. Chappelle-Nadal, Mr. Jennings, Ms. Peoples, Mr. Peters, Mr. Salamon, and Mr. Clay.

A Board Work Session will be held on December 1, 2011, at 5:45 p.m. in the McNair Board Room. The public is invited to attend but cannot participate.

A motion to adjourn this meeting at 8:57 p.m. was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

Ms. Maria Chappelle-Nadal was excused at this time – 8:59 p.m.

A motion to resume the executive session at 9:00 p.m. was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

Stacy Clay, President

Ellen Bern, Secretary