

MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA ITEM:		August 2019					
CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTING BOARD RESOLUTIONS							
STATUTORY AUTHORITY:		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Consent	<input type="checkbox"/>	Action	<input type="checkbox"/>	Report
Sections 161.092 and 162.081, RSMo			Item		Item		Item
STRATEGIC PRIORITIES							
<p>Access, Opportunity, Equity – Provide all students access to a broad range of high quality educational opportunities from early learning into post-high school engagement.</p> <p>Teachers and Leaders – Prepare, develop and support educators to ensure an effective teacher in every classroom and an effective leader in every school.</p>							
SUMMARY							
<p>Sections 162.081 and 162.1100, RSMo, allow the State Board of Education (State Board) to appoint members of a governing body for an unaccredited school district. The role of the governing board is to assist school districts to regain accreditation by improving student growth, increasing academic performance, providing effective leadership, and stabilizing finances.</p> <p>The terms for the members of the Special Administrative Board (SAB) of the St. Louis Public School District expired June 30, 2019. The State Board dissolved the Transitional School District of St. Louis at its meeting in April 2019, and district governance was returned to the elected board effective July 1, 2019.</p> <p>Richard Sullivan and Richard Gaines were members of the St. Louis Public School District’s SAB from 2007-2019; Darnetta Clinkscale was a member from 2016-2019; and Melanie Adams was a member from 2007-2016.</p> <p>In June 2014, the State Board authorized the establishment of the Normandy Schools Collaborative under the governance of the Joint Executive Governing Board (JEGB). In June 2015, the State Board appointed Rev. Cedric Portis, Sr., to the JEGB. Rev. Portis has resigned his position on the JEGB, effective July 22, 2019.</p> <p>To express the State Board’s appreciation for their dedicated service to the students and communities of their school districts, resolutions have been prepared. (The resolutions submitted for the SAB of the St. Louis Public School District will replace those approved in June 2019 to correct a discrepancy in the previous resolutions.)</p>							
PRESENTER							
Margie Vandeven, Commissioner of Education, will participate in the presentation and discussion of this agenda item.							
RECOMMENDATION							
The Department recommends that the State Board of Education adopt the proposed resolutions.							

MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Resolution

Whereas, Richard Sullivan was appointed by the Governor of the State of Missouri and has provided his expertise as a member of the Special Administrative Board, hereinafter SAB, of the St. Louis Public School District for twelve years, beginning with the establishment of the SAB in 2007; and

Whereas, he has acted as the President and CEO of the SAB since its inception, playing a vital role in steering the St. Louis Public School District towards improved performance and the attainment of full accreditation; and

Whereas, Richard Sullivan has worked to secure professional development opportunities for faculty and staff of the St. Louis Public School District and has helped oversee multiple committees and campaigns to provide additional funding and support for students of all grade levels in the St. Louis Public Schools district; and

Whereas, Richard Sullivan has participated in and facilitated multiple training processes for the advancement of the St. Louis Public School District in its return to an elected board, allowing for the work completed under the SAB to best serve the students, faculty and staff of the district; and

Whereas, Richard Sullivan has been an active member of the community by serving on various boards and civic groups on behalf of the St. Louis Public School District; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Missouri State Board of Education formally extends its gratitude to Richard Sullivan in recognition of his service to the schools and community of the St. Louis Public School District.

Adopted August 13, 2019, in Jefferson City, Missouri



Charlie Shields, President
Missouri State Board of Education

MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Resolution

Whereas, Richard Gaines was appointed by the Board of Aldermen for the City of St. Louis and has provided his expertise as a member of the Special Administrative Board, hereinafter SAB, of the St. Louis Public School District for twelve years, beginning with the establishment of the SAB in 2007; and

Whereas, Richard Gaines served as chair of the SAB's first strategic Comprehensive Long Range Planning (CLRP) committee, which served as the primary director towards leading the St. Louis Public School District to its improved performance and the attainment of full accreditation; and

Whereas, under his guidance, the St. Louis Public School District passed multiple measures that provided the district with the means to renovate school buildings, support early childhood education, provide competitive salaries, and train personnel in the areas of safety and security, all to the benefit of nearly 22,000 students currently in attendance in the district; and

Whereas, Richard Gaines has participated in and facilitated multiple training processes for the advancement of the St. Louis Public School District in its return to an elected board, allowing for the work completed under the SAB to best serve the students, faculty and staff of the district; and

Whereas, Richard Gaines has been an active member of the community and is a proud graduate of the St. Louis Public School District; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Missouri State Board of Education formally extends its gratitude to Richard Gaines in recognition of his service to the schools and community of the St. Louis Public School District.

Adopted August 13, 2019, in Jefferson City, Missouri



Charlie Shields, President
Missouri State Board of Education

MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Resolution

Whereas, Darnetta Clinkscale was appointed by the Mayor of the City of St. Louis and has provided her expertise as a member of the Special Administrative Board, hereinafter SAB, of the St. Louis Public School District for three years, beginning in 2016; and

Whereas, under governance of the SAB during Darnetta Clinkscale's tenure, the St. Louis Public School District has improved performance and attained full accreditation; and

Whereas, the students, staff and faculty of the St. Louis Public School District have benefited in the success of the district through her experience brought from her time as a board member of delegate of the Missouri School Boards' Association; and

Whereas, Darnetta Clinkscale has provided valuable feedback and helped institute multiple processes that will allow for the work completed under the SAB to best serve the students, faculty and staff of the district under its return to an elected board; and

Whereas, Darnetta Clinkscale has been an active member of the community by serving on various boards and civic groups on behalf of the St. Louis Public School District; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Missouri State Board of Education formally extends its gratitude to Darnetta Clinkscale in recognition of her service to the schools and community of the St. Louis Public Schools district.

Adopted August 13, 2019, in Jefferson City, Missouri



Charlie Shields, President
Missouri State Board of Education

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Resolution

Whereas, Dr. Melanie Adams was appointed by the Mayor of the City of St. Louis and has provided her expertise as a member of the Special Administrative Board, hereinafter SAB, of the St. Louis Public School District for nine years, beginning in 2007 and ending in 2016; and

Whereas, she acted as the Vice President of the SAB from its inception through 2016, playing a vital role in steering the St. Louis Public School District towards improved performance and the attainment of full accreditation; and

Whereas, Dr. Melanie Adams chaired the search committee that selected Dr. Kelvin R. Adams as the St. Louis Public School District's superintendent; and

Whereas, the students, staff and faculty of the St. Louis Public School District have benefited in the success of the district through her experience brought from time spent as a member of the St. Louis Public Schools community; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Missouri State Board of Education formally extends its gratitude to Dr. Melanie Adams in recognition of her service to the schools and community of the St. Louis Public School District.

Adopted August 13, 2019, in Jefferson City, Missouri



Charlie Shields, President
Missouri State Board of Education

MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Resolution

Whereas, Reverend Cedric A. Portis Sr. was appointed by the Missouri State Board of Education and has provided his expertise as vice president, then chair, of the Joint Executive Governing Board, hereinafter JEGB, of the Normandy Schools Collaborative for four years, beginning in 2015; and

Whereas, Reverend Portis is an alumnus of Normandy High School's Class of 1987 and returned to the Normandy Schools Collaborative to serve the students, faculty, staff and community as a member of the JEGB ; and

Whereas, under governance of the JEGB during Reverend Portis's tenure, the Normandy Schools Collaborative has improved performance and attained provisional accreditation; and

Whereas, Reverend Portis drew upon his engineering background to provide critical insight and guidance during construction of additions at Washington and Jefferson Schools and the construction of the Normandy Early Learning Center; and

Whereas, Reverend Portis led the move toward energy efficiency upgrades in Normandy Schools Collaborative buildings, cutting energy costs and earning energy improvement rebates for the Collaborative; and

Whereas, Reverend Portis has extended his volunteer service beyond the JEGB to the communities of Riverview Gardens, Hazelwood and Florissant; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Missouri State Board of Education formally extends its gratitude to Reverend Cedric A. Portis Sr. in recognition of his service to the schools and community of the Normandy Schools Collaborative.

Adopted August 13, 2019, in Jefferson City, Missouri



Charlie Shields, President
Missouri State Board of Education