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## St. Louis Voices Academy of the Media Arts

### Minutes

#### SLVA November 8, 2023 Board Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Wednesday November 8, 2023 at 6:00 PM

**Location**

St. Louis Voices Academy of Media Arts  
1220 Olive St. Ste #200  
St Louis, MO 63103

THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD VIRTUALLY. Please join using the link below:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85915146951?pwd=b3c0NnNxBT01rT08zMm9qcGJKTUZlZz09>

**Directors Present**

A. Silverblatt (remote), D. Catchings-Smith (remote), E. White (remote), E. Woods (remote), J. Flory (remote), K. Scott (remote), L. Jackson (remote)

**Directors Absent**

E. Barnard

**Directors who arrived after the meeting opened**

E. White, E. Woods

**Ex Officio Members Present**

H. Russell-West (remote)

**Non Voting Members Present**

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H. Russell-West (remote)

**Guests Present**

B. Taylor (remote), D. Wright (remote)

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**I. Opening Items**

**A. Record Attendance**

E. White arrived.

E. Woods arrived.

**B. Call the Meeting to Order**

D. Catchings-Smith called a meeting of the board of directors of St. Louis Voices Academy of the Media Arts to order on Wednesday Nov 8, 2023 at 6:10 PM.

**II. Action Items**

**A. Approve October 18, 2023 and October 30, 2023 Meeting Minutes**

A. Silverblatt made a motion to approve the minutes from SLVA October 18, 2023 Board Meeting on 10-18-23.

J. Flory seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

E. Barnard            Absent

L. Jackson           Aye

E. Woods            Absent

A. Silverblatt        Aye

E. White             Absent

K. Scott             Aye

J. Flory              Aye

D. Catchings-Smith Aye

K. Scott made a motion to approve the minutes from SLVA October 30, 2023 (Virtual) Emergency Board Meeting on 10-30-23.

L. Jackson seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**III. Board Business**

**A. Financial Report Training**

**B. Board Sustainability and Transitions**

The committee spoke about board members who will be resigning this upcoming year and the status of the remaining board committee members. The board also spoke about a potential new board candidate.

**C. Retreat Outcome: Board Goals**

- Discussion of Board Goals included:

1. Recruitment & Retention Goals
2. Student & Families
3. Academic & Performance
4. Facilities & Future Expansion

All committee members will work together to accomplish these set goals.

**IV. Board Committee Reports**

**A. Finance & Facilities**

No updates at this time

**B. Development**

No updates at this time

**C. Governance**

No updates at this time

**D. School Performance**

No updates at this time

**V. Executive Director Report**

**A. E. D. Updates**

1. E. D. shared an updates on current staffing & student for this current school year,
2. E.D discussed first quarter projections vs. reality, concerning enrollment, SPED, transportation cost, and before & aftercare.
3. E.D. discussed academics (NWEA-MAP), achievements by grade, discipline (referrals, suspensions, and support along with enrollment and attendance.

B. Taylor - gave an update on meeting required submissions request, transportation, and ATT dispute.

## **VI. Closing Items**

### **A. Next Step**

E.D. discussed concerns about what's missing at SLVA

1. Quality playground space
2. Media Lab
3. Paraprofessional SPED needs
4. Sensory equipment
5. Fulltime recruitment

### **B. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

D. Catchings-Smith