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St. Louis Voices Academy of the Media Arts

Minutes

SLVA November 13, 2024 Board Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday November 13, 2024 at 6:00 PM

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

All board meetings will be in person

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85915146951?pwd=b3c0NnNxT01rT08zMm9qcGJKTUZlZz09

Per Missouri Revised State Statute Section 610.021, the Board of Directors may close this meeting for an Executive Session to discuss permissible subjects.

This notice is published at our school site (1220 Olive St. Suite 200 St Louis, MO 63103) and on our website (https://stlouisvoicesacademy.org).

Directors Present
A. Silverblatt, D. Catchings-Smith, E. Barnard, E. Woods (remote), L. Jackson

Directors Absent
K. Scott

Ex Officio Members Present
H. Russell-West

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

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

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 13, 2024 at 6:00 PM.

C. Mission Moment

Dr. Evelyn Woods expressed her appreciation for the school's new student studio, commending it after having the opportunity to tour the facility during the recent board retreat.

D. Introduction of Perspective Board Members

Art Silverblatt introduced Mr. Robert, a prospective board member, who comes highly recommended by Dr. Woods. Mr. Roberts provided an overview of his background.

II. Action Items

A. Approve October 30, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from SLVA October 30, 2024 Board Meeting on 10-30-24. The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

K. Scott	Absent
E. Barnard	Aye
E. Woods	Aye
A. Silverblatt	Aye
D. Catchings-Smith	Aye
L. Jackson	Aye

B.

Approve September and October Monthly Financials

L. Jackson made a motion to Approve the September 2024 and October 2024 monthly financials subject to audit.
E. Woods seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

III. Board Business

A. Approve Resolution to Change Bank Account Type

E. Barnard made a motion to Approve Resolution to Change Bank Account Type.
L. Jackson seconded the motion.
Guest speaker Tom shared a brief background about himself and informed the board about the banking resolution and the importance of its approval, which would authorize Director Dr. Russell-West to sign documents changing the bank account classification from commercial to corporate and allow her to execute documents related to the pending loan. Additionally, Mr. Tom advised the board on the Officers' Certificate, which authorizes Latonya Jackson to sign the certification, including several exhibits that will be included in the closing packet.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

D. Catchings-Smith	Aye
A. Silverblatt	Aye
E. Woods	Aye
E. Barnard	Aye
L. Jackson	Aye
K. Scott	Absent

B. Approve Resolution Allowing Executive Director to Sign Loan Documents

L. Jackson made a motion to Approve Resolution Allowing Executive Director to Sign Loan Documents.
A. Silverblatt seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

A. Silverblatt	Aye
K. Scott	Absent
L. Jackson	Aye
D. Catchings-Smith	Aye
E. Barnard	Aye
E. Woods	Aye

IV. Executive Director's Report

A.

Executive Director Update

Dr. Russell-West provided updates on student academic growth, reading proficiency, media and storytelling, school culture, attendance retention, and financial responsibilities. She also outlined the growth goals to be achieved by the end of the school year.

Additionally, Dr. Russell-West briefly discussed the Year 2 priorities, which include focusing on organizational goals, setting clear objectives with measurable results, and utilizing data-driven decisions along with adjusted strategies to ensure progress toward reaching targeted goals. She presented updates on current student enrollment, demographic data, and recruitment efforts. Furthermore, she shared school performance percentages for Fall 2024 in mathematics and language arts, as well as NWEA reading performance percentages for all grade levels.

For more detailed information, you can review this report by clicking on the attached link under the Executive Director's Update.

V. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
D. Catchings-Smith