

Voluntary Interdistrict Choice Corporation Board Meeting Highlights • February 22, 2019

In actions at their February 22 meeting, the Board of Directors of the Voluntary Interdistrict Choice Corporation

- Approved minutes of the November 16, 2018 regular Board meeting.
- Approved minutes of the January 31, 2019 Strategic Planning meeting.
- Approved extending TransPar Group's agreement for transportation management services for a five year period beginning July 1, 2019 at an annual increase of 3%.
- Approved the proposal from Logicalis in the amount of \$9,610.20 for a one-year renewal of transportation management operating system software licenses and support for March 1, 2019 through February 28, 2020.
- Approved changing the phone and internet services from Windstream to a 36 month contract with AT&T at \$1,083.50/month and purchase of Polycom telephones at a cost of \$6,432.
- Approved the 2018/19 budget adjustments, resulting in revenues of \$46,688,100 (increase of \$108,000) and revised expenditures of \$47,803,600 (a decrease of \$550,000). The projected reimbursement cap for county districts is unaffected by these adjustments and remains at \$7,000 per student (including Title 1 funds.)
- Approved the appointment of the following to serve as the committee to recommend VICC salary increases at the April meeting for the 2019/20 school year:

Kevin Carl, VICC Board chair and Hancock Place School District Superintendent

Ron Tucker, Treasurer and Finance Committee Chair, Bayless School District Superintendent

Mary Jo Gruber, School District of Clayton

Patty Bedborough, Parkway School District

Paul Northington, Rockwood School District

David Knes, Valley Park School District

David Glaser, VICC CEO

• Approved the VICC Board meeting schedule for 2019/20, as follows:

October 11, 2019Education Plus Offices8:30 a.m.January 10, 2020Education Plus Offices8:30 a.m.April 17, 2020Education Plus Offices8:30 a.m.June 11, 2020Urban League10:00 a.m.

- Reviewed the summary of investments. As of January, 2019, \$13,969,448.85 was invested as follows: 66.23 percent in FDIC insured CDs; 4.18 percent in US Government agencies—MOSIP Fund; and 29.59 percent in collateralized repurchase agreements.
- Reviewed a report on VICC's financial position. Through January, 2019, revenues totaled \$27,235,777.87. Expenditures for that period were \$17,127,849.22.
- Continued discussion of strategic planning for VICC including a review and discussion of our dedicated two hour meeting on January 31, 2019 focused on this matter, options to discuss more in-depth in the future and discussion of an abstract of research needed and questions to investigate.
- Reviewed and discussed the preliminary draft budget for the 2019/20 year. The proposed budget projects revenues of \$44,181,800 and expenditures of \$45,623,500. These amounts assume total student enrollment in September, 2019, of 3,770 students (down slightly from the current year's September enrollment of 4,003), and reflect the continued favorable impact of the new school funding formula under SB287. Cost of education payments to county districts will remain at \$7,000 (including Title I funds) per pupil, for the 2019/20 year. Transportation costs are expected to decrease, reflecting increased bus contractor costs offset by fewer buses. A final budget package will be presented for approval at the June 13 board meeting.

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- Received a report on the status of applications to date. As of February 14, 2019, VICC had received 750 applications for transfers to county schools for the 2019/20 school year, which is down from the 1,325 and 1,828 received at this point during the previous two years due to targeted and significantly reduced recruitment mailings based on available spaces. Consistent with prior years, the vast majority of new spaces are at the kindergarten through second grade levels, although some districts are making some spaces available at the middle school and high school levels. At this point, VICC already has more applications than openings at almost every grade level in almost every attendance area. While not all applications are ultimately determined to be eligible due to behavior, city residency or special education issues, it appears that there will be no trouble filling all available spaces in all districts. Year-to-date magnet applications for 2019/20, total 24, compared to 107 and 127 in 2018/19 and 2017/18, respectively. Year-to-date magnet placements stand at 20 compared to 28 and 44, respectively, in the prior two years.
 - Future Meetings for 2018/19 are as follows:
 8 a.m. Friday, April 12, 2019 at Education Plus Offices
 10 a.m. Thursday, June 13, 2019 at the Urban League

The Education Plus meetings will be held at 1460 Craig Rd., St. Louis, MO 63141. The Urban League meeting will be held at 3701 Grandel Square. Agendas will be available at the VICC Office one week prior to the meeting. Interested parties are welcome to attend, and those who wish to address the board are requested to sign in prior to the start of the meeting.