



**Voluntary Interdistrict Choice Corporation
Board Meeting Highlights • June 13, 2013**

In actions at their June 13 meeting, the Board of Directors of the Voluntary Interdistrict Choice Corporation

- Approved the VICC budget for 2013-2014. The proposed budget projects revenues of \$53,126,400 and expenditures of \$55,541,700. These amounts assume total student enrollment in September, 2013, of 4,935 students (down from the current year’s September enrollment of 5,130), and reflect the continued favorable impact of the new school funding formula under SB287. Cost of education payments to county districts will increase from \$7,000 to \$7,200 (including Title I funds) per pupil, for the 2013-2014 year. Transportation costs again are expected to decrease, reflecting lower enrollment and favorable new bus contracts.

All budget estimates are subject to adjustments as better information regarding actual enrollments and financial matters becomes available.

- Approved the purchase of an Intel Small Business Server for \$6,698.57, an SLQ Server for \$4,208.63 and a Backup and Disaster Recovery System for \$5,992.43 from Option Computer Services. The existing server and related equipment are over four years old and needed to be upgraded to meet current and future technology needs and demands.

- Approved a 2.75 percent salary increase for VICC staff for the 2013-2014 fiscal year.

- Approved all final VICC transportation routes for 2012-2013. As of the end of the 2012-2013 school year, a total of 4,931 students had been served by the VICC transportation service, with an average ride time (one way) of 55 minutes. In total, VICC buses and cabs traveled about 6.6 million miles during the past school year.

- Approved the officers presented by the Nominating Committee for VICC offices for the 2013-2014 year. They are:

Chairperson	Dr. Sarah Riss, Superintendent, Webster Groves School District
Vice-Chairperson	Dr. Kelvin Adams, Superintendent, St. Louis Public Schools
Treasurer	Dr. Keith Marty, Superintendent, Parkway School District
Secretary	Mrs. Lisa Gray, VICC
Program	Dr. Steve Brotherton, Superintendent, Affton School District
Budget	Dr. Keith Marty, Superintendent, Parkway School District
Transportation	Dr. Kevin Carl, Superintendent, Hancock Place School District

- Reviewed the summary of investments. As of April, 2013, \$31,669,538.26 was invested as follows: 0.00 percent in U.S. government agencies - MOSIP Fund; 0.00 percent in U.S. treasuries and securities; 19.43 percent in FDIC insured funds; 80.57 percent in collateralized repurchase agreements and 0.00 percent in prepaid interest.

- Received a report on VICC’s financial position. Through April, 2013, revenues totaled \$46,145,909.37. Expenditures through the same period totaled \$25,644,532.18.

- Received a report on weighted voting percentages for the VICC Board to be effective in 2013-2014 which are based upon May 30, 2013, enrollments. They are as follows:

Affton	1.8 %	Parkway	22.5 %
Bayless	2.6 %	Pattonville	0.1 %
Brentwood	2.3 %	Rockwood	34.4 %
Clayton	7.2 %	Valley Park	3.5 %
Hancock Place	4.1 %	Webster Groves	3.8 %

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Kirkwood	5.2 %	Special School	0.2 %
Lindbergh	1.4 %	St. Louis	1.4 %
Mehlville	9.5 %		

- Received a report on the status of applications to date. As of June 4, 2013, VICC had received 3,221 applications for transfers to county schools for the 2013-2014 school year, which is similar to the 3,478 received last year and the 3,261 received at this point two years ago. Interest on the part of city families remains high and the number of openings for 2013-2014 is lower than the new enrollments of the last three years, at 411 spaces. It is likely that the actual number of placements will exceed this number as most districts have indicated a willingness to accept siblings even in grades where no spaces are indicated. Competition for these spaces continues to be intense as VICC already has more eligible applications than openings at every grade level in almost every attendance area. While county to city (magnet) applications remain at relatively low levels, they are in the same range as previous years. Year-to-date applications for 2013-2014 total 144, compared to 124 and 168 the previous two years. Negative publicity regarding SLPS continues to influence parent perceptions in this regard; however, there was a nice response to recent publicity about the new University School of Medicine and Bioscience Magnet High School from eighth grade suburban families, including 23 suburban students accepted to this new school.

- Received a report which details the special education incidence rates as of January, 2013. The favorable trend that had developed during 2007 and 2008 (which was interrupted by an increase in 2009) continued as incidence rates decreased in eight of the 13 individual districts and the overall program average decreased from 21.6 percent in January, 2012, to 20.8 percent in January, 2013. The current rate remains significantly below the peak rate of 26.5 percent in January, 2006.

- Karen Kalish provided a brief update on the teacher home visit program, outlining data and successful results from the program in 2011-2012. She detailed opportunities for schools and their faculties to implement the program, if interested, for the 2014-2015 school year.

- Appreciation was extended to Dave Knes for serving as the VICC Chairperson for the 2012-2013 school year.

- Future Meetings for 2013-2014 are as follows:

- 10 a.m. Friday, September 13, 2013 at the VICC offices
- 10 a.m. Friday, November 15, 2013 at Lindenwood University
- 10 a.m. Friday, February 21, 2014 at the Cooperating School District's Offices (CSD)
- 10 a.m. Friday, April 25, 2014 at the Fox Service Center
- 10 a.m. **Thursday**, June 12, 2014 at the Urban League

The meeting marked Lindenwood University will be held in the Spellman Center, Leadership Center Conference Room at Lindenwood University, St. Charles, **prior to** the CSD Superintendents' Roundtable meeting. The meeting marked CSD will be held at 1460 Craig Road. Those marked VICC will be held in the Conference Room at the VICC Office, 7425 Forsyth Blvd., Suite 110. The Fox Service Center meeting will be held at 849 Jeffco Blvd., Arnold, MO 63010. 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.