
VICC



Voluntary Interdistrict Choice Corporation Board Meeting Highlights • June 11, 2021

In actions at their June 11 meeting, the Board of Directors of the Voluntary Interdistrict Choice Corporation

- Approved minutes of the April 16, 2021 regular Board meeting.
- Approved all final VICC transportation routes for 2020/21. As of the end of the 2020/21 school year, a total of 3,497 students had been served by the VICC transportation service. In total, VICC buses and cabs traveled about 3.2 million miles during the past school year.
- Approved the officers presented by the Nominating Committee for VICC offices for the 2021/22 year. They are:

VICC Officers:

Chairperson	Dr. Chris Gaines , Superintendent, Mehlville School District
Vice-Chairperson	Dr. John Simpson, Superintendent, Webster Groves School District
Treasurer	Dr. Brian Lane, Superintendent, Brentwood School District
Secretary	Mrs. Lisa Gray, VICC

- Approved a resolution allowing VICC to be eligible to participate in the election of directors at MOSIP's Annual Meeting of Participants.
- Approved the extension of VICC's office lease for a three-year period beginning September 1, 2021 at a rate of \$19.50 per square foot, a 9.1% increase. The rate will increase to \$20.08 (2.9%) per square foot on September 1, 2022 and \$20.69 (3%) per square foot on September 1, 2023.
- Approved the VICC budget for 2021/22. The proposed budget projects revenues of \$37,245,100 and expenditures of \$39,180,600. These amounts assume total student enrollment in September, 2021 of 3,135 students (down 257 from the current year's September enrollment of 3,392). Cost of education payments to county districts will remain at \$7,000 (including Title I funds) per pupil, for the 2021/22 year.

All budget estimates are subject to adjustments as better information regarding actual enrollments and financial matters becomes available.
- Approved a 3.00 percent salary increase for VICC staff for the 2021/22 fiscal year.
- Approved a proposal from Missouri Central to extend the current contract and address the ongoing driver shortage by allowing for a 29% wage increase for drivers, increasing overall transportation costs by 6.65% for 2022/23. The cost increase for 2023/24 is 3% as well as 2024/25.
- Reviewed the summary of investments. As of May, 2021, \$26,915,938.06 was invested as follows: 60.92 percent in in US Government agencies (MOSIP) and 39.08 percent in collateralized repurchase agreements.
- Reviewed a report on VICC's financial position. Through May, 2021, revenues totaled \$37,977,187.60. Expenditures for that period were \$14,945,607.69. Revenues are exceeding expectations.
- Received a report on the status of applications to date. As of June 1, 2021, VICC had received 305 applications for transfers to county schools for the 2021/22 school year, which is down compared to the 555 and 776 received at this point during the previous two years. With interest on the part of city families remaining high, we anticipate no difficulty in filling the number of new openings -- 175 -- a planned decrease from the last three years . 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. As a result, VICC's recruitment efforts, particularly at the secondary level, were curtailed. Year-to-date magnet applications for 2021/22, total 11, compared to 15 and 35 in 2020/21 and 2019/20, respectively. Magnet participation continues to remain strong primarily due to interest in the new Collegiate School of Medicine and Bioscience (CSMB).

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- Discussed instructional plans for 2021/22 related to COVID-19. Reviewed updated procedures to keep students and staff safe.

- Received a report on weighted voting percentages for the VICC Board to be effective in 2021/22 which are based upon May 27, 2021, enrollments. They are as follows:

Affton	2.3%
Bayless	3.1%
Brentwood	2.0%
Clayton	5.7%
Hancock Place	3.9%
Kirkwood	2.4%
Mehlville	6.3%
Parkway	30.7%
Rockwood	34.6%
Valley Park	2.9%
Webster Groves	2.5%
Special School	0.5%
St. Louis	3.2%

- Meetings for 2021/22 are as follows:

- 8:30 a.m. Friday, October 8, 2021 on Zoom
- 8:30 a.m. Friday, January 28, 2022, Location TBD
- 8:30 a.m. Friday, April 8, 2022, Location TBD
- 10:00 a.m. **Thursday**, June 9, 2022 at the Urban League

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.