FIRST MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE JUNIOR COLLEGE DISTRICT OF
ST. LOUIS-ST. LOUIS COUNTY

The first meeting of the Board of Trustees of the St. Louis-St. Louis County Junior College District was held on Monday, April 23, 1962, at 8:15 p.m. in the Founders' Room of the St. Louis Board of Education Building, 911 Locust Street, St. Louis, Missouri.

The following members of the Board of Trustees were present:

- Mrs. Joseph C. Bastian
- Lester C. Geil
- F. Wm. McCalpin
- Guy S. Ruffin
- Gerald V. Williamson

Morris Glaser was absent due to illness.

F. Wm. McCalpin was chosen to act as temporary Chairman of the meeting and Mrs. Dolores Exler was designated to act as temporary Secretary of the meeting.

The temporary Chairman announced that the first order of business at this meeting would be the organization of the Board by the election of officers.

The temporary Chairman then declared it was in order for nominations to be made for the office of President of the Board of Trustees of the St. Louis-St. Louis County Junior College District. Lester C. Geil nominated Gerald V. Williamson for the office of President and Guy S. Ruffin nominated Mrs. Joseph C.
Bastian for the office of President. Upon being nominated, Mrs. Bastian declined the nomination and asked that her name be withdrawn. There being no further nominations presented, upon motion duly made and seconded, Gerald V. Williamson was declared unanimously elected as President of the Board of Trustees for the ensuing year.

Thereupon, F. Wm. McCalpin, temporary Chairman, yielded the chair to the newly elected President, Gerald V. Williamson.

The President then declared it was in order for nominations to be made for the office of Vice President of the Board of Trustees of the St. Louis-St. Louis County Junior College District. F. Wm. McCalpin nominated Guy S. Ruffin for the office of Vice President. There being no further nominations presented, upon motion duly made and seconded, Guy S. Ruffin was declared unanimously elected as Vice President of the Board of Trustees for the ensuing year.

The President next declared it was in order for nominations to be made for the office of Secretary of the Board of Trustees. Guy S. Ruffin nominated Mrs. Joseph C. Bastian for the office of Secretary. There being no further nominations presented, upon motion duly made and seconded, Mrs. Joseph C. Bastian was declared unanimously elected as Secretary of the Board of Trustees for the ensuing year.
The President then declared it was in order for nominations to be made for the office of Treasurer of the Board of Trustees. Mrs. Joseph C. Bastian nominated Wm. McCalpin for the office of Treasurer. There being no further nominations presented, upon motion duly made and seconded, Wm. McCalpin was declared unanimously elected as Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Junior College District for the ensuing year.

The Chairman asked Wm. McCalpin to give a report of the drawing of lots for the terms of office which had taken place earlier this day immediately after the Trustees present took their oaths of office. Mr. McCalpin gave the following report:

Pursuant to § 165.803 of the Missouri Revised Statutes, Gerald V. Williamson and Wm. McCalpin drew two year terms; Mrs. Joseph C. Bastian and Morris Glaser drew four year terms; and Lester C. Geil and Guy S. Ruffin drew six year terms.

The Chairman then made a statement concerning the creation of the Junior College District and the empaneling of the Board of Trustees. He said that the Board took the occasion very seriously, realizes its great challenge and responsibility and recognizes the needs of the community and the increasing thousands of high school graduates that will be seeking college admissions in each year ahead. The Board realizes, he added, that it will face many and difficult problems and will need the full support of the community if the St. Louis-St. Louis County Junior College District is to fulfill
its purpose. The potential promise of the Junior College District is great. Where the Junior College has been well organized, administered and supported elsewhere it has proven to be of immeasurable value to its community. The Board seeks to establish that kind of success. The Board appreciates the interest that so many have shown and the strong support received at the polls. The Board accepts this challenge and responsibility as its directive and pledges its utmost.

All members of the Board subscribed to the President's comments.

Mr. McCalpin then drew the Board's attention to the fact that there was a meeting scheduled Tuesday, April 24th in the office of the Commissioner of Education concerning the distribution of funds appropriated by the last Legislature for Junior Colleges in the State of Missouri. Mr. McCalpin then moved that Mrs. Joseph C. Bastian be appointed the representative of this Board at that meeting to appear for the Board and act in the Board's behalf. The motion was duly seconded and upon the vote, the motion was carried.

The Chairman then extended to Morris Glaser's son-in-law the Board's regrets that Mr. Glaser was unable to be present with the Board on this date and the Board's sincere wishes for a rapid recovery for Mr. Glaser.

Mrs. Joseph C. Bastian moved that those members of the Board present be appointed as a committee to agree informally within
one week on the selection of a law firm to advise this Board on ordinary legal problems and that such a selection be made formally at the Board's next meeting. Motion was duly seconded and upon the vote, the motion was carried.

Discussion then took place as to the time of the next meeting. After discussion, it was decided that a regular meeting night should be set. The next meeting was set for Monday, April 30, 1962 at 8 p.m. Place of meeting remained open.

There followed a discussion as to facilities for temporary headquarters for the Board of Trustees. It was decided that the Board should come to the next meeting prepared to make recommendations for headquarters facilities.

Discussion then took place on the following subjects:

1. Setting up of various committees;
2. Consideration of whether the Board should have committees that would be comprised of responsible citizens who worked in the promotion of the campaign to act as lay advisers;
3. Setting up of a plan of procedure for method of operation.

It was agreed that the Board should be prepared to act on these matters at the next meeting.

The Chairman then stated that the Board of Trustees is going to need the good will and encouragement of the whole community. The Board agreed this was most important.

The Chairman suggested that the Board gather printed
material and other kinds of information on the operation of junior colleges throughout the country so that same could be circulated.

Discussion then took place on the following subjects:

(1) That the Board should contact universities and people in the educational field, so that the Board can determine the basic philosophy, scholastic curriculums and policies needed, in order to be better equipped to make a choice of a President to do the best job for the community;

(2) That the Board should study what features of the Junior College institution are best suited for this area;

(3) That experiences in some parts of the country have shown that industry and commercial establishments can help a great deal by providing material and equipment that a technical school needs, and might help locate the type of personnel needed for teaching these subjects.

F. Wm. McCalpin moved that the meeting be adjourned.
Motion was duly seconded and upon the vote, the motion was carried. Thereupon, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Joseph C. Bastian, Secretary