Pursuant to a Notice Of Special Board Meeting called by the President of the Board of Trustees, a copy of which is attached as an addendum to these Minutes, and in accordance with Section 1.4.2 of the District Board Policies And Administrative Organization Manual, a special meeting of the Board of Trustees of The Junior College District of St. Louis, St. Louis County, Missouri was held on Friday, February 3, 1967 at 4:00 p.m. at the Central Office of the District, 7508 Forsyth Blvd., St. Louis, Missouri.

1. GENERAL FUNCTIONS

1.2 Roll Call

The President of the Board previously advised the recording secretary of the Board he would be late in arriving for this meeting. Mr. Williamson moved Mrs. Bastian act as temporary chairman until Mr. Stewart's arrival. Whereupon, Mrs. Bastian called the meeting to order at 4:17 p.m. The following members were present:

Mrs. Joseph C. Bastian

Messrs. Lester C. Geil

Guy S. Ruffin

Gerald V. Williamson

Donald M. Witte

Also present were Dr. Joseph P. Cosand, President of the District; Dr. Douglas F. Libby, Jr., Vice President-Campus Director; Mr. Paul H. Conole, Assistant To The President and Secretary of the Board of Trustees; Mrs. Dolores B. Tygard, Community
Relations Assistant; Mrs. Mary Jane Calais, Associate Coordinator, Business and Treasurer of the Board of Trustees — all of The Junior College District staff. Also present was Mr. Bruce E. Woodruff of the firm of Armstrong, Teasdale, Kramer and Vaughan counsel for the District.

1.4 Welcome to Guests

Dr. Cosand introduced Mr. Herbert Damron, Associate Coordinator recently appointed by the Board to head up the District Purchasing Department.

Mrs. Bastian welcomed newspaper reporters, Mr. Gus Lumpe of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat and Mr. Frank Leeming, Jr. of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. The following other visitors were welcomed by Mrs. Bastian: Mr. Oscar Ehrhardt of the St. Louis Labor Council; Mr. Harry Joseph, Business Manager of the Carpet and Floor Layers Union in St. Louis; Mr. Julius Berg, St. Louis attorney; Mr. Sol Abbott of Anchor Floor Company; Mr. Joseph Goldstein, President of Anchor Floor Company; Mr. C. E. Smith and Mr. London of Contractor's Furniture and Carpet Company of Chicago.

Mr. Stewart arrived at 4:20 p.m. and Mrs. Bastian yielded the chair to him.

1.5 Hearing of Citizens and Petitions

Mr. Stewart then asked if any members of the audience wished to be heard.

Thereupon, the Chairman recognized Mr. Julius Berg, citizen of St. Louis County and attorney with offices in the City of St. Louis. Mr. Berg pointed out the Missouri statutes provided guidelines for all school Districts in the State of Missouri in acceptance of bids and awarding of orders that purchases should be given to a local bidder when such bids were approximately equal with that of an out-of-town firm. Mr. Berg stressed that he would like to see a Missouri firm awarded the order for the carpeting for the three campuses of the District. He further stated that conditions in the industry indicated that bids received
on the rebidding of the carpeting contract might reflect lower unit prices.

Mr. Harry Joseph, Business Agent of the Carpet and Floor Layers Union in St. Louis, was granted permission to speak. Mr. Joseph, who had attended two previous Board Meetings, hoped the Board would accept the bid of a local firm for the installation of carpeting at the Forest Park Campus in order to cause no delay in opening of classes planned for this Fall, and that the Board would rebid the carpeting requirements for the other two campuses of the District.

Mr. C. E. Smith, of Contractor's Furniture and Carpet Company of Chicago, who also had attended the previous meeting of the Board, again pointed out that the change in price structuring and discontinuation of mill discounts occurred as of January 1, 1967. Mr. Smith asserted there had been no price changes affecting this bid since that time.

Mr. Joseph Goldstein, President of Anchor Floor Company, was granted permission to speak. Mr. Goldstein also emphasized the change in mill price structuring and felt that some price reductions could be effected because of newly issued price rates.

5. BUSINESS AND FINANCE

5.1 Acceptance Of Bids For Carpeting

Mr. Bruce Woodruff, legal counsel for the District commented that there is no question about the State interpretation that any approximately equal bid should go to the lowest qualified bidder. Dr. Cosand asked Mr. Woodruff to comment on the mandate from the federal government to abide by the state-ent "lowest qualified bidder" and whether the Chicago bidding firm had a right to do a job in the State of Missouri. Mr. Woodruff reported that at the request of the staff, he contacted the Regional Counsel for the Department of Housing and Urban Development in Fort Worth. The Regional Counsel had advised him that as far as the specifications were concerned, they took precedence with respect to federal...
government funds over any local State statute. The Regional Counsel indicated, therefore, that unless the bids were identical, or nearly so, he would not approve any contract in which the District selected other than the low bidder in spite of the existence of the local State statute. The Regional Counsel further advised Mr. Woodruff that the difference in bids was, the view of the counsel, significant.

Mr. Woodruff further stated that since the District had amended its bid proposal authorizing bidders to bid on the carpeting requirements on all three campuses or those of any one campus, the Board could, in his opinion, let the bid for the carpeting requirements for any one of the campuses and reject the bids on all of the other campuses, if it so desired. Certainly the Board could reject all bids or accept the bid of the Chicago firm.

Mr. Witte moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the District accept the bid of A. S. Greenwald d/b/a Contractor's Furniture and Carpet Company for the carpeting requirements at the Forest Park Campus for the base bid Alternate #1 (sponge rubber backing) in the amount of $60,508.78 which said sum is to include both regular carpeting requirements and indoor/outdoor carpeting.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the President of the Board be and hereby is authorized and directed to execute the appropriate contract with A. S. Greenwald d/b/a Contractor's Furniture and Carpet Company in the form attached to these Minutes.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board reject the bids for installation of carpeting at the Florissant Valley Community College and Meramec Community College and direct the staff to cause the readvertising and rebidding for said carpeting requirements.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That in the event protective covering be required for any of said carpeting, the staff advertise for bids for said protective covering for consideration by the Board.

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Bastian and upon the vote, passed four to two.
Those voting FOR:  
Mrs. Joseph C. Bastian  
Mr. Guy S. Ruffin  
Mr. Gerald V. Williamson  
Mr. Donald M. Witte

Those voting AGAINST:  
Mr. Lester C. Geil  
Mr. Joseph G. Stewart

The Chairman announced the motion, having received a majority-affirmative vote of the whole Board, had passed.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

The above items completing the agenda so set forth for this specially called meeting of the Board, Mr. Stewart asked if there were any further business to come before the Board. There being no further business to be discussed, upon motion by Mr. Williamson, seconded by Mrs. Bastian, and with the unanimous approval of all members of the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul H. Connole  
Secretary, Board of Trustees  
The Junior College District of  
St. Louis, St. Louis County, Missouri

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TO: Mrs. Joseph C. Bastian
Mr. Lester C. Geil
Mr. Guy S. Ruffin
Mr. Joseph G. Stewart
Mr. Gerald V. Williamson
Mr. Donald M. Witte
Mr. Bruce E. Woodruff

FROM: Mr. Joseph G. Stewart
President, Board of Trustees

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Board Policies and Administrative Organization Manual, Section 1.4.2, as President of the Board, I hereby call a special meeting of the Board of Trustees of The Junior College District for the hour of four p.m., the third day of February, 1967, said meeting to be held in the Board Room at the Central Office of the District, at 7508 Forsyth Blvd.

The business to be conducted at the meeting shall be the acceptance of bids and awarding of a contract for the purchase of carpeting for all three campuses of the District, all as more fully set out on the attached agenda.

Dated this 31st day of January, 1967.

Respectfully submitted,

s/
Joseph G. Stewart
President, Board of Trustees

ATTEST:

Secretary, Board of Trustees