



NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Monday, December 11, 2023
VIA ZOOM or HYBRID at
Barack Obama Magnet
69 Farnham Avenue, New Haven, CT 06515
5:30 PM

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Public Participation (*see instructions below*)
 1. Public comments will be limited to three minutes per speaker. The Board will hear public comment for up to 90 minutes.
- IV. Action Items – Discussion and vote anticipated on each topic
 1. Approval of Board Minutes – *November 13, 2023 and November 27, 2023*
 2. Discussion and Possible Action – *Proposed 2024-2025 Committee Dates*
 3. Discussion and Possible Action – *Head Start Grant Application*
 4. Personnel Report – *Dr. Madeline Negrón*
 5. Finance and Operations Committee – *Mr. Matthew Wilcox*

The Committee recommended approval of the following items:

ABSTRACTS:

1. School Improvement Grant (SIG) – Hillhouse in the amount of \$170,798.00 for October 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024.
2. ARPA-Priority School Districts & Faith Acts Grant, in the amount of \$1,097,479.00 for March 13, 2021 to December 31, 2024.
3. School Improvement Grant (SIG) – Troup, in the amount of \$260,000.00 for July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

AGREEMENTS:

1. Agreement with Trident Machine Tools, LLC. to provide Manufacturing Lathes and Mills at Hillhouse and Cross High Schools for the Manufacturing program, from January 2, 2024 to January 2, 2025 in an amount not to exceed \$607,801.00.
2. Amendment #1 to Agreement #96399727 with Southern Connecticut State University, to expand the Scope of Service to include 2nd semester college courses for the Health Career Academy Pathway program at Hillhouse; to increase funding of \$19,928.00 by \$14,240.00 to \$34,168.00, and to change the end date of the Agreement from December 31, 2023 to June 14, 2024, with no change in funding source.
3. Non-Financial Data Sharing Agreement with Yale University, Office of New Haven Affairs, for New Haven Public School student participation in the Yale Pathways to Science and the Pathways to Arts & Humanities programs at Yale University, establishing mutually acceptable standards for protecting student information, from December 12, 2023 to January 30, 2028, with evaluation after June 30, 2026 and again sixty days prior to June 30, 2028.
4. Agreement with Boundless Literacy to provide trained tutors for small group reading interventions, from January 1, 2024 to June 15, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$175,000.00.

5. Agreement with Area Cooperative Educational Services, (ACES), to serve as the fiscal agent for the payroll portion of the LEAP 2.0 funding, and will be responsible for hiring the staff coordinator for the New Haven LEAP program and pay coordinator's part-time salary, from December 12, 2023 to June 14, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$24,787.00.
6. Agreement with ALK Mindfulness, LLC, d/b/a The ALK Mindfulness Initiative, to provide programming for students participating in the Saturday Success Academy at Wexler Grant, Roberto Clemente and Fair Haven schools, from December 12, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$45,000.00.
7. Amendment #1 to Agreement #96399768 with Little Scientists to expand the Scope of Service to provide after school programming at Nathan Hale, Jepson, East Rock and Martinez schools, and to increase funding of \$23,175.00 by \$32,175.00 to \$55,350.00.
8. Amendment #1 to Agreement #96399777 with ARTE, Inc., to expand the Scope of Service to include after school programming at Jepson and Clinton Avenue schools; and to provide Saturday Academy and College Readiness programming for McKinney-Vento homeless students and families at the Atwater Senior Center in New Haven, CT; and, to increase funding of \$85,050.00 by \$43,130.00 to \$128,180.00.
9. Agreement with Upon This Rock Ministries, to provide after school and extended hours programming and programming during Saturday Academy, from December 12, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$21,600.00.
10. Amendment #1 to Agreement with Gateway Community College, to increase funding of \$267,717.60 by \$28,000.00 to \$295,717.60 to reflect School Readiness Priority Enrollment Grant funds released in October 2023.

PURCHASE ORDERS:

1. Purchase Order under State Contract with SPORTS Construction to purchase Bleachers for Fair Haven School from December 4, 2023 to June 30, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$132,527.23.
2. Purchase Order under State Contract 20PSX0088 with Red Thread Spaces, LLC for removal and replacement of dance floor/padding for the dance classrooms at Coop High School from December 4, 2023 to June 30, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$21,478.00.
3. Purchase Order under State Contract 21PSX0106 with Tucker Mechanical to replace a heat exchange at FAME school from November 29, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$33,775.00.

CONTRACTS:

1. Award of Contract 21896 with Utility Communications, Inc. to provide On Call Security Maintenance Repairs from December 4, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00.
2. ~~Award of Contract 21907 with Re-Tech LLC to remove and replace wood deck entrances of the Sound School, from December 4, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$202,330.00.~~

Item Withdrawn

CHANGE ORDERS:

1. Change Order 1 to Contract 217679-4-4 with CT Controls Corp to increase funding amount from \$200,000.00 by \$40,000.00 for a total amount of \$240,000.00 to cover increased services for HVAC issues during summer cooling and fall heating season.

ITEMS PENDING RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL
from SPECIAL F&O MEETING 12/11/2023:



AGREEMENTS:

1. Agreement with EdAdvance, to provide 10 training days to staff, district-wide, on creating a comprehensive and integrated approach to attendance and engagement to address chronic absenteeism, from December 12, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00.
2. Amendment #1 to Agreement with SPORT Academy EST 2013 Inc, to expand the Scope of Service to provide after-school programming for students at Fair Haven School, and to provide programs during Saturday Success Academy for students at Wexler Grant, Roberto Clemente and Fair Haven schools, and to increase funding of \$387,080.00 by \$32,280.00 to \$70,360.00.
3. Amendment #1 to Agreement #96399771 with Eli Whitney Museum, to expand the Scope of Service to provide after-school programs at Roberto Clemente and East Rock schools, and to increase funding of \$57,516.00 by \$29,325.00 to \$86,940.00.

- V. Student's Report
- VI. Teaching and Learning Report – Dr. Edward Joyner
- VII. Facilities Naming Committee Report – Dr. Edward Joyner
- VIII. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Madeline Negrón
- IX. President's Report – Ms. Yesenia Rivera
- X. Head Start Report – Mr. Matthew Wilcox
- XI. Citywide School Building Committee Report – Mr. Matthew Wilcox
- XII. Finance & Operations Report – Mr. Matthew Wilcox
- XIII. Governance Report – Dr. Abie Benitez
- XIV. Food Service Task Group Report – Dr. OrLando Yarborough
- XV. Adjournment

Zoom Information:

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