



NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Monday, January 22, 2024
VIA ZOOM or HYBRID at
Barack Obama Magnet
69 Farnham Avenue, New Haven, CT 06515
5:30 PM

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. 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 60 minutes.
4. Action Items – Discussion and vote anticipated on each topic
 1. Approval of Board Minutes – *January 8, 2024*
 2. Personnel Report – *Dr. Madeline Negrón*
 3. Finance and Operations Committee – *Mr. Matthew Wilcox*

The Committee recommended approval of the following items:

AGREEMENTS:

1. Agreement with Labas Consulting, LLC, to evaluate and analyze multi-lingual programs and design, and deliver professional development opportunities to administrators and teachers serving multi-lingual learners, from January 23, 2024 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00.
2. Agreement with Learn Regional Educational Service Center, (LEARN), to provide professional development for Hillhouse teachers on effective instructional and engagement strategies, and utilizing block scheduling, from January 23, 2024 to June 25, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$122,000.00.
3. Agreement with Trifecta Ecosystems, Inc., to provide a farm to school program for Hooker Middle School, including installation of an outdoor garden and classroom, from January 23, 2024 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$71,500.00.
4. Agreement with Noble Story Group, to provide leadership training and coaching to the district's executive team, focused on adaptive leadership, from January 22, 2024 to June 20, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$100,500.00.
5. Amendment #1 to Agreement #96373706 with Shine Early Learning, to expand the Scope of Service to include work with the Head Start team in response to the Enrollment Plan of improvement, and to increase funding of \$70,000.00 by \$27,000.00 to \$97,000.00.
6. Amendment #2 to Agreement #95384021 with Catholic Charities to decrease the number of unfilled spaces at St. Francis Child Development Center by 3 spaces and to reduce 7 unfilled spaces from Catholic Charities Child Development, and to reduce funding of \$1,620,976.00 by \$44,620.00 to \$1,576,356.00.
7. Amendment #2 to Agreement # 95384033 with Farnam Nursery School, to increase the number of school year spaces by 5, and to increase funding of \$535,440.00 by \$23,310.00 to \$616,310.00.
8. Amendment #2 to Agreement #95384014 with St. Aedan's Preschool, to decrease the number of unfilled spaces by 3 spaces and to decrease funding of \$446,220.00 by \$13,386.00 to \$432,834.00.
9. Agreement with Foundation for the Arts and Trauma, Inc., (ALIVE Program), to provide preventive trauma-informed counseling services to students at HSC, and to provide a seminar for 9th grade



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students focused on transitioning to high school, from January 23, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$67,000.00.

10. Agreement under State Contract PEPPM with CDW Government LLC to provide Sophos licenses renewal which provides IT security operations and threat hunting to detect and intercept suspicious activity, from January 18, 2024 to January 18, 2027, in an amount not to exceed \$327,880.00 (yearly payment \$109,293.33).

CONTRACTS:

1. Award of Contract 21914 with CT Custom Aquatics to provide On Call Swimming pool repairs from January 23, 2024 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00.

PURCHASE ORDERS:

1. Purchase Order with PowerSchool LLC to provide attendance management and communications system in effort to provide efficient attendance identification, outreach and responses from January 23, 2024 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$60,356.61.

CHANGE ORDERS:

1. Change Order #2 to Contract 21679-4-4 with CT Controls Corp to increase funding amount from \$240,000.00 by \$95,000.00 for a total amount of \$335,000.00 to cover increased service for HVAC repairs due to loss of HVAC vendor.
2. Change Order #2 to Contract 21749A-3-4 with Tucker Mechanical to increase funding amount from \$240,000.00 by \$95,000.00 for a total amount of \$335,000.00 to cover increased service for HVAC repairs due to loss of HVAC vendor.

HEAD START CERTIFICATIONS:

1. Approval to submit an application for grant #01CH01090503C3 to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Head Start, requesting a carryover of Head Start Basic Funds in the amount of \$1,107,861.00 from the grant period dated July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023 to the July 1, 2023 -June 30, 2024 grant period.
2. Approval to submit a low-cost extension application for grant #01HE000822 to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Head Start, for the remaining balance of COVID funds in the amount of \$20,096.29 American Rescue Plan and \$47,962.49 for the grant period dated July 1, 2021 – March 31, 2023, extending the project period to March 31, 2024.

5. Student's Report
6. Teaching and Learning Report – Dr. Edward Joyner
7. Facilities Naming Committee Report – Dr. Edward Joyner
8. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Madeline Negrón
 - Strategic Operating Plan Development Process
9. President's Report – Ms. Yesenia Rivera
10. Head Start Report – Mr. Matthew Wilcox
11. Citywide School Building Committee Report – Mr. Matthew Wilcox
12. Finance & Operations Report – Mr. Matthew Wilcox
13. Governance Report – Dr. Abie Benitez
14. Food Service Task Group Report – Dr. OrLando Yarborough
15. Adjournment



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