



NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**  
**Monday, November 13, 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 – *October 23, 2023*
  2. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:** Second Reading of part of the 6000 Policies Series
  3. Personnel Report – *Dr. Madeline Negrón*
  4. Finance and Operations Committee – *Mr. Matthew Wilcox*

The Committee recommended approval of the following items:

**ABSTRACTS:**

1. School Improvement Grant, (SIG 1003) Wexler-Grant School, in the amount of \$260,000.00 for July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.
2. Title IIA Grant in the amount of \$861,843.00 of which \$809,796.05 is designated for public schools and \$52,046.95 is designated for non-public schools, for October 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

**AGREEMENTS:**

1. Amendment #1 to Agreement #95034078 with All Point Home Care, LLC, to expand the Scope of Service to include one additional special education student receiving 1:1 nursing service, and to increase funding of \$181,020.00 by \$72,000.00 to \$253,020.00 with no change in funding source or account number.
2. Agreement with Trifecta Ecosystems, Inc., to provide ongoing year-round maintenance, support and upkeep of the aquaponic system at John Martinez School, from November 14, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$30,870.00.
3. Agreement with Curriculum Associates, LLC to provide professional development on i-Ready Classroom and I-Ready Mathematics Core curriculum through a dedicated consultant assigned to NHPS, and to provide an additional 20 hours of tailored support sessions, from October 11, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$208,000.00.
4. Agreement with Common Ground School to design and install a new outdoor learning and garden space at Martinez School for students K-8, and to provide technical support and professional development for staff, from November 14, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$24,670.00.
5. Agreement with Eli Whitney Museum, to provide an after-school STEM program for students from Celentano, Wexler and Barnard schools, from November 14, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$57,615.00.



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6. Agreement with ARTE, Inc., to provide afterschool programming for up to 20 students per school from FAME, Daniels, Truman and Troup schools, from November 14, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$85,050.00.
7. Agreement with Little Scientists, to provide a STEM program for students at Lincoln Bassett and Hill Central schools, from November 14, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$23,175.00.
8. Agreement with S.P.O.R.T. Academy Est. 2013, Inc., to provide an after-school tutoring and activity program for students at Wexler, Clemente and Brennan-Rogers schools, from November 14, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$38,080.00.
9. Agreement with S.P.O.R.T Academy est. 2013, Inc., to provide outreach and case management to 50 students identified in Tier 4 and Tier 5 chronic absenteeism, from November 14, 2023 to June 14, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$48,000.00.
10. Agreement with Alpha to Omega Management Group, Inc., d/b/a Brown Girls Cooking and Conversation, to provide outreach and case management of 50 students identified in Tier 4 and Tier 5 chronic absenteeism, from November 14, 2023 to June 14, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$48,000.00.
11. Agreement with Connecticut Violence Intervention Program, Inc., to provide outreach and case management of 50 students identified as Tier 4 and Tier 5 chronic absenteeism, from November 14, 2023 to June 14, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$48,000.00.
12. Agreement with Abundant Harvest Outreach Community Engagement, Inc., to provide outreach and case management of 50 students identified as Tier 4 and Tier 5 chronic absenteeism, from November 14, 2023 to June 14, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$48,000.00.
13. Agreement with Kidz Kraze, to provide outreach and case management of 50 students identified as Tier 4 and Tier 5 chronic absenteeism, from November 14, 2023 to June 14, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$48,000.00.
14. Agreement with Marcella Monk Flake, d/b/a The Monk Center for Academic Enrichment and Performing Arts, to provide outreach and case management of 50 students identified as Tier 4 and Tier 5 chronic absenteeism, from November 14, 2023 to June 14, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$48,000.00.
15. Agreement with Christian Community Action, Inc., to provide services and referrals for families and students experiencing homelessness, from November 14, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00.
16. Agreement with Urban Community Alliance, to provide outreach and case management of 50 students identified as Tier 4 and Tier 5 chronic absenteeism, from November 14, 2023 to June 14, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$48,000.00.
17. Agreement with Friends Center for Children, to provide 60 full day/full year spaces, from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$46,760.00.
18. Agreement with Leila Day Nurseries, Inc., to provide 18 school day and 4 part- day spaces, from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$11,004.00.
19. Agreement with St. Aedan Preschool, to provide 50 full day/full year spaces from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$38,967.00.
20. Agreement with St. Andrew's Child Care Center, to provide 36 full day/full year spaces, from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$28,056.00.
21. Agreement with The Little Schoolhouse, to provide 18 full day/full year spaces, from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$160,632.00.
22. Agreement with Custom Insights, LLC to provide Climate survey for the district, from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 in an amount to exceed \$50,000.00.



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23. Agreement with GWWO Architects to provide architectural design services, concept study and schematic design for Adult Continuing Education from November 13, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$239,765.00.
24. Amendment 1 to Agreement with Innovative Engineering Solutions to change funding amount from \$200,000.00 by \$40,000.00 for a total amount of \$240,000.00 to cover costs incurred for additional projects that require engineering services.
25. Amendment 1 to Agreement with Svigal & Partners LLC to change funding amount from \$100,000.00 by \$20,000.00 for a total amount of \$120,000.00 to cover costs incurred for additional projects that require architectural services.
26. Amendment 1 to Agreement with DePino Nuñez & Biggs to change funding source from operating budget 190474000-56694 to funding source operating budget 19047700-56696, with no change in funding amount of \$50,000.00.
27. Agreement with Scholastic Education Solutions to provide scholastic book room for our elementary schools both physical library and digital library, from October 24, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$125,965.00.
28. Agreement with Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company to provide professional development coaching with HMH coaches for literacy program in the district, from October 11, 2023 to June 14, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$507,960.00.
29. Agreement with Recinotes, LLC to provide photo/video production from November 13, 2023 to June 30, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00.

**PURCHASE ORDERS:**

1. Purchase Order with Frontline Technologies Group, LLC to provide Frontline Central Solution and Recruiting and Hiring solution software from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$91,059.78.
2. Purchase Order with Active Internet Technology LLC. to provide blackboard wcm conversion and support for the district ParentLink Attendance App, including notification blasts, from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$126,328.00.
3. Purchase Order under State Contract 18PSX0025 with Total Communications to provide IT district level project support from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00.
4. Purchase Order under State Contract 18PSX0025 with Total Communications to provide IT school level project support from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00.
5. Purchase Order under CREC Contract #2018011-02 with SHI International Inc. to provide Microsoft 365 subscription from November 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$100,035.48.
6. Purchase Order under State Contract 18PSX0088 with Utility Communications to provide Milestone Security system license renewal for the district, from November 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$106,190.25.
7. Purchase Order under State Contract 20PSX0088 with Dalene Flooring to remove and replacement flooring in the Hillhouse Gym from November 6, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$72,565.00.
8. Purchase Order under US Commodity Contract 210487919 to Cintas Corporation to provide mops and mats districtwide from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$80,000.00.
9. Purchase Order with Imagine Learning LLC to provide digital platform that supports multilingual learners from November 14, 2023 to June 30, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$238,471.44.

**CONTRACTS:**

1. Award of Contract 21795-2-3 with E-Logic, Inc. to provide On Call Moving services from November 6, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in the amount of \$65,000.00.



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2. Award of Contract 21825-2-4 with Ruotolo Mechanical to provide On Call Plumbing services from November 6, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00.
3. Award of Contract 21829 to Boisvert Plumbing Inc. to provide Large HVAC Mechanical Services from October 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00.
4. Award of Contract 21749B-3-4 to Boisvert Plumbing Inc. to provide On Call HVAC repairs from November 6, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00.
5. Award of Contract 21692-4-5 to Concrete Creations LLC to provide On Call Equipment rental services from November 6, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00.
6. Award of Contract 50621A to Cheapsapes, LLC to perform snow removal services from November 6, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$157,500.00.
7. Award of Contract 50621B to Amazon Landscaping Design, LLC to perform snow removal services from November 6, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$9,000.00.
8. Award of Contract 50621C to M&M Total Construction to provide snow removal services from November 6, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$229,500.00.
9. Award of Contract 50621D to Tim's Enterprises, LLC to provide snow removal services from November 6, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$54,000.00.
10. Award of Contract 21811 with Southport Contracting Inc. to provide boiler replacement at Wilbur Cross High School from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$719,000.00.

**CHANGE ORDERS:**

1. Change Order 1 to Contract 21749A-3-4 with Tucker Mechanical to increase funding amount for On Call HVAC repairs from \$200,000.00 by \$40,000.00 for a total amount of \$240,000.00 to cover costs incurred for the remainder of the fiscal year.
2. Change Order 1 to Contract 21740A-3-4 with Auto Parts & Services Inc. to increase funding amount \$37,500.00 by \$7,500.00 for a total amount of \$45,000.00 to cover services while the second fleet service contract is being rebid.

V. Student's Report

- PRESENTATION: Our North Star *by Harmony Solomon Cruz-Bustamante & John Carlos Musser*

VI. Teaching and Learning Report – Dr. Edward Joyner

VII. Facilities Naming Committee Report – Dr. Edward Joyner

VIII. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Madeline Negrón

- PRESENTATION: On the Path to Mathematics Student Success

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. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- i. Executive Session pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. § 1-200(6)(B) and 1-201(B) 9 & 10 Regarding Records, Reports and Statements of Strategy or Negotiations with respect to Collective Bargaining (Local 3429, Council 4, AFSCME, AFL-CIO).
- ii. Executive session pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. §§ 1-200(6)(B) and §§ 1-210(b)(4) & (10) concerning strategy and negotiations with respect to pending litigation in the matter of CHRO ex rel. Rachel Genn v. BOE, including discussion which would result in the disclosure of attorney-client privileged communications.



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- iii. Discussion and possible action on matters heard in Executive Session.
- XVI. Adjournment
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**Zoom Information:**

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