



NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
New Haven, Connecticut

SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION FINANCE AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

January 7, 2020

Gateway Center – 2nd floor Board Room

Meeting called to order: 4:36 p.m.
Adjournment: 6:26 p.m.

Present: Mr. Darnell Goldson, Ms. Yesenia Rivera, Mr. Matthew Wilcox

Staff: Dr. Iline Tracey, Ms. Patricia DeMaio, Ms. Melissa Manzione, Ms. Leslie Blatteau, Mr. David Diah, Ms. C. Ana Rodriguez, Mr. Glen Worthy, Mr. Phillip Penn, Mr. Marquelle Middleton, Dr. Paul Whyte, Dr. Michele Sherban, Mrs. Keisha Redd-Hannans, Ms. Typhanie Jackson, Ms. Gemma Joseph-Lumpkin, Mrs. Linda Hannans, Mr. Danny Diaz

Guests: Mr. Brian Zahn (New Haven Register), Ms. Sarah Miller (Parent Advocate Team)

MINUTES

Ms. Rivera noted that some of the Agreement memos were incomplete. Ms. Rivera advised staff that going forward; the Committee will not review incomplete Agreements or Abstracts.

INFORMATION ONLY

1. The Superintendent approved an Agreement by and between the New Haven Board of Education and FatHappy Media, to provide a tutorial video to assist parents in applying for New Haven Schools Choice & Enrollment Magnet Lottery process, from January 14, 2020 to April 30, 2020, in an amount not to exceed \$6,394.00.
Funding Source: Magnet 17-22 Program
Acct. # 2517-6251-56694-0000

On a motion by Ms. Rivera, seconded by Mr. Goldson, it was unanimously voted to recommend approval of four Abstracts and eight Agreements:

ABSTRACT

1. The Committee recommended **APPROVAL** of the Abstract, State Bilingual Education Grant, in the amount of \$220,399.00 for 2019 to 2020. This abstract was presented by Ms. C. Ana Rodriguez for Mr. Pedro Mendia.
Funding Source: CT State Dept. of Education
2. The Committee recommended **APPROVAL** of the Abstract, Carl D. Perkins Grant, in the amount of \$489,882.00 for 2019 to 2020. This abstract was presented by Dr. Paul Whyte.
Funding Source: CT State Dept. of Education

3. The Committee recommended **APPROVAL** of the Abstract, 21st Century Community Learning Center – Barnard, Brennan, Celentano grant, in the amount of \$200,000.00 for 2019 to 2020.
Funding Source: CT State Dept. of Education
Presenter: Ms. Gemma Joseph Lumpkin
4. The Committee recommended **APPROVAL** of the Abstract, State-After School, Martinez, Columbus, Hill Central, Fair Haven, grant, in the amount of \$169,660.00 for 2019-2020.
Funding Source: CT State Dept. of Education
Presenter: Ms. Gemma Joseph Lumpkin

AGREEMENTS

1. The Committee recommended **APPROVAL** of an Agreement by and between the New Haven Board of Education and PowerSchool, LLC, to provide customized on-site training for up to 15 participants and 20 hours of Keys to Ownership remote on-demand support, from January 14, 2020 to June 30, 2020, in an amount not to exceed \$20,200.00. This agreement was presented by Dr. Michele Sherban.
Funding Source: 2019-2020 Operating Budget
Acct. #190-41-56694
2. The Committee recommended **APPROVAL** of an Agreement by and between the New Haven Board of Education and Elm Village, to provide training for students and staff at Wexler-Grant, from October 7, 2019 to June 30, 2020, in an amount not to exceed \$8,760.00. This agreement was presented by Mr. David Diah.
Funding Source: Commissioner's Network – Wexler Grant Program
Acct. # 2547-6293-56694-0032
3. The Committee recommended **APPROVAL** of an Agreement by and between the New Haven Board of Education and Outfront Media, Inc., to provide highway and City billboard advertising for the Choice & Enrollment application process, from January 14, 2020 to April 30, 2020, in an amount not to exceed \$22,450.00. This agreement was presented by Mr. Marquelle Middleton.
Funding Source: Magnet 16-19 Carryover Program
Acct. # 2517-6232-56694-0000
4. The Committee recommended **APPROVAL** of an Agreement by and between the New Haven Board of Education and NBC Universal, LLC, to provide informational commercials about New Haven Public School education to support the Choice & Enrollment application process, from January 14, 2020 to April 30, 2020, in an amount not to exceed \$33,235.29. This agreement was presented by Mr. Marquelle Middleton.
Funding Source: Magnet 17-22 Program
Acct. # 2517-6251-56694-0000
5. The Committee recommended **APPROVAL** of an Agreement by and between the New Haven Board of Education and Focus Schools, to provide a monthly professional development program to staff at Hillhouse to build systems and structures to improve instruction and learning, from January 14, 2020 to June 30, 2020, in an amount not to exceed \$33,172.00. This agreement was presented by Mr. Glen Worthy.
Funding Source: School Improvement Grant (SIG) Hillhouse Program
Acct. # 2546-6265-56694-0062

6. The Committee recommended **APPROVAL** of an Agreement by and between the New Haven Board of Education and Area Cooperative Educational Services, (ACES), to provide 33 full days of professional development sessions to staff at Hillhouse, from January 14, 2020 to June 30, 2020, in an amount not to exceed \$33,172.00. This agreement was presented by Mr. Glen Worthy.
Funding Source: School Improvement Grant (SIG) Hillhouse Program
Acct. # 2546-6265-56694-0062

7. The Committee recommended **APPROVAL** of an Agreement by and between the New Haven Board of Education and Christian Community Action Agency, to provide homeless youth support and services for enrollment in New Haven Public Schools, from January 14, 2019 to June 30, 2020, in an amount not to exceed \$9,996.21. This agreement was presented by Ms. Gemma Joseph-Lumpkin.
Funding Source: McKinney Vento Program
Acct. # 2503-5027-56697-0000

8. The Committee recommended **APPROVAL** of an Agreement by and between the New Haven Board of Education and Junta for Progressive Action, to provide support and services for homeless children and youth who desire enrollment in or are currently enrolled in New Haven Public Schools, from January 14, 2020 to June 30, 2020 in an amount not to exceed \$9,996.21. This agreement was presented by Ms. Gemma Joseph-Lumpkin.
Funding Source: McKinney Vento Program
Acct. # 2503-5027-56697

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- **November 2019 Financial Report:** Mr. Penn reviewed the financial report noting key changes in the deficit forecast which include: an improved outlook on utility costs after re-examining bills for July-October 2019; maximizing use of grants to offset certified salaries and late invoices for additional transportation costs. Mr. Penn noted that the upcoming deficit forecast should decrease substantially in future budget reports.
- **Other Contractual Services Report:** Mr. Penn reviewed the report, noting that eight vendors make up the majority of spending. He will look at the possibility of adding more information on future reports.
- **2020-2021 Budget Update:** Mr. Penn reported that the budget process is underway. Principals and Administrators have submitted staff rosters and preliminary budgets are due from schools and departments by January 8, 2020. Mr. Penn noted that the planning calendar includes community forums. He anticipates a draft budget for review at the January 21, 2020 Finance & Operations Committee meeting and January 27, 2020 Board of Education meeting.
- **Budget Mitigation Committee Update:** Ms. Leslie Blatteu presented recommendations from the committee. The recommendations will be forwarded to the Board of Education for review.
- **Executive Session:** On a Motion by Ms. Rivera, seconded by Mr. Goldson, it was unanimously voted to go into Executive Session at 6:12 p.m., for the purpose of discussing statements of strategy or negotiation with respect to collective bargaining for the SAA contract, passed. Ms. Rivera invited Mr. Penn, Mr. Pinto and Dr. Tracey.

On a Motion by Ms. Rivera, seconded by Mr. Goldson to reconvene the Public Session at 6:24 p.m. Ms. Rivera noted that no votes were taken.