

# SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING Tuesday, September 26, 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 September 11, 2023
  - 2. Personnel Report Dr. Madeline Negrón
  - 3. Finance and Operations Committee Mr. Matthew Wilcox

The Committee recommended approval of the following items:

## **ABSTRACTS:**

- 1. Biotechnology & Biomedicine Education Grant for purchase of equipment and supplies for molecular and genomic sciences students at Hill Regional Career High School in College Biology and STEM Careers, in the amount of \$25,000 for September 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.
- 2. ARP ESSER Homeless Children & Youth II, year 3 of 3, to support wraparound services, supplies and personal care items for homeless children and families, in the amount of \$312,664.00 for July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

## **AGREEMENTS:**

- 1. Agreement with Bilingual Special Education Services of Connecticut, to provide psychological evaluations for special education eligibility students, from September 11, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$89,000.00.
- 2. Agreement with NCS Pearson, Inc. to provide scoring protocols and license renewal for the school psychologist department in our district from September 19, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$63,750.00.
- 3. Agreement with Powerschool, LLC to provide fundamental tools for supporting college, career and life readiness, plus advanced analytics and reporting in Naviance Achieve Works, insights premium, and Naviance Career and Alumni tracker from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$46,977.14.
- 4. Agreement with Yale Child Study Center to provide professional development on child and adolescent development and other developmental milestones for central office staff, administrators, teachers and school staff; and to provide consultation and cross-district collaborative teams, from September 18, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$325,000.00.
- 5. Amendment #1 with Agreement 95034082 with Area Cooperative Education Services (ACES) to add a funding source ARP ESSER IDEA in the amount of \$188,483.00, and reduce IDEA Program from



\$353,320 by \$188,483.00 to \$164,837.00, with no change in total funding of \$594,756.00 and no change in scope of service.

6. Agreement with The Justice Education Center, Inc., to provide a Career Pathways Construction and Automotive Pre-Apprentice Program for Hillhouse High School students, from September 26, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00.

## **CONTRACTS:**

1. Award of Contract 21879 with Reliable Refrigeration Plus, Inc. to provide On Call Kitchen Refrigeration repair services from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$210,000.00.

## **PURCHASE ORDERS:**

- 1. Purchase Order with Utility Communications under State Contract 19PSX0088 to provide security system repair services to several locations in the district, from September 25, 2023 to June 30, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$43,301.16
- V. Student's Report

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- VI. Teaching and Learning Report Dr. Edward Joyner
- VII. Facilities Naming Committee Report Dr. Edward Joyner
- VIII. Superintendent's Report Dr. Madeline Negrón
  - Student Attendance
  - Elementary Reading and Language Arts HMH Implemented Core Program: K-5
  - President's Report Ms. Yesenia Rivera
    - Retreat
- 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:
  - Executive session pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. § 1-200(6)(B) (pending claims) and (C) (security) regarding update on status of cyber theft investigation and security.
  - Discussion and Possible action on matters heard in Executive Session.
- XVI. Adjournment

## **Zoom Information:**

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## **Public Participation:**



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