

SHREWSBURY BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
November 3, 2023 - Special Meeting, 8:02 am
Media Center, 20 Obre Place, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702

MINUTES

1. Opening Procedures

1.0 Call to order – 8:02 am

1.1 Flag salute

1.2 Opening Statement

1.3 “Public notice of this was emailed to the Asbury Park Press and Star Ledger on October 10, 2023 in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act PL 1975 CH 231, effective January 16, 1976. Notice has been posted in the Fern Ross entrance and Bell Foyer entrance to Shrewsbury Borough School. A copy of this notice is also on file in the office of the Borough Clerk.

1.4 Roll Call:

Ms. Groom (President)

Mr. Galvin

Mr. Jannuzzi

Mr. Ngo

Ms. Gourley-Thompson (Vice President)

Ms. Hepburn-Goldberg (Arrived at 8:08 AM)

Ms. Montgomery

Absent:

Ms. Barber

Ms. Hemel

Also Present:

Mr. MacConnell, Superintendent

Ms. Case, Business Administrator

1.5 Mission Statement:

The mission of the Shrewsbury Borough School District, a system built on successful cooperation among family, school and community, is to prepare all students to achieve excellence and to become responsible citizens through rigorous educational programs consistent with the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content State Standards and which respect individual differences and diversity. Students will be prepared to meet the challenges presented in the regional high school and the world beyond.

2.0 Executive Session - None

3.0 Correspondence to the Board - None

4.0 Public Participation - Agenda Items Only - None

The Board of Education recognizes the value of public comment on matters of interest to the school community. Individuals wishing to speak **must state their name and address**. Comments are limited to three minutes’ duration, but an individual may speak a second time after all others who wish to speak on the topic have been heard. All statements should be directed to the Board President and no participant may address or question Board members individually. All speakers are requested to express themselves in a civil manner, with due respect for the dignity and privacy of others whose legal rights may be affected. Please note: While it is not the Board’s intention to stifle comment on matters of legitimate concern, the public should be aware that if their statements violate the rights of others under the law of defamation or invasion of privacy, they may face personal liability to

the injured party. If speakers are uncertain of the legal ramifications of their comments, the Board urges them to seek guidance beforehand from their own legal advisor.

5.0 Superintendent's Report - Mr. MacConnell

It was motioned by Ms. Montgomery, seconded by Mr. Galvin, to approve the following item as listed:

5.1 The Superintendent recommends that the Shrewsbury School District Board of Education approve Kate Hoppe, Reading Specialist, as a member of the Response to Intervention (RTI) Committee for the 2023-2024 school year.

6.0 Finance & Facilities - Mr. Jannuzzi

It was motioned by Mr. Jannuzzi, seconded by Mr. Galvin to approve the following items as listed:

6.1 The Superintendent recommends that the Shrewsbury Borough School District Board of Education approve the NJQSAC DIP (District Improvement Plan) for the 2022-2023 school year as submitted.

6.2 Motion of the Shrewsbury Borough Elementary School Board of Education accepting the bid of Ben R. Harvey Company, Inc. for the addition and renovation project and the Shrewsbury Borough Elementary School and reauthorizing the entry into a project labor agreement with the general contractor and all sub contracts related to this project.

The Board, after review of the bid submissions and results of the bid opening on October 27, 2023, for an Addition and Renovation Project at Shrewsbury Borough Elementary School (the "Project"), and for good cause, the Administration makes the following recommendation:

1. To accept the bid of Ben R. Harvey Company, Inc., submitted in the amount of \$17,950,000.00 as the lowest responsible bidder.
2. To accept the alternate bids of Ben R. Harvey Company, Inc., for alternate bids 1- Indoor Basketball Equipment and Accessories in the amount of \$176,000.00, 2-Front Loop Parking Lot in the amount of \$236,000.00 and 4-Upgrade Storage Room 703A in Addition to Served 703A in the amount of \$124,000.00 as the lowest responsible bidder.
3. To reject Alternate Bid 3- Air Condition Existing Corridors in the amount of \$630,000.00.
4. To allow administration, namely the Superintendent and Business Administrator to work with the professionals, including, but not limited to, the project managers, architects, and attorneys to facilitate the finalization of this contract.
5. To reaffirm its August 23, 2023 decision to include a Project Labor Agreement in these bid specifications upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, as a condition of award of this contract with regard to this construction project; and, the Board plans to have construction performed on district facilities, namely the elementary school; and, N.J.S.A. 52:38-1, et. seq. permits boards of education to condition awards of construction contracts whose costs are equal to or will exceed \$5,000,000 to only those contractors who agree to be bound by a project labor agreement with local labor unions; and, the Board, has consulted with its professionals (Architect, Construction Manager, and Board Attorney) to obtain information necessary for it to make a decision about whether it will condition the award of the contract for this contract to contractors who agree to be bound by a project labor agreement; and, the Board Attorney has reviewed a proposed project labor agreement with the Monmouth and Ocean Counties Building and Construction Trades Council, AFL-CIO and the County of Monmouth and has determined that it complies with the legal requirements of N.J.S.A. 52:38-5; and that the Board hereby determines, taking into consideration the size, complexity, and anticipated cost of this project, that conditioning the award of the project to a contractor who agrees to be bound by the project labor agreement substantially in the form proposed by the Monmouth and Ocean Counties Building and Construction Trades Council, AFL-CIO and the County of Monmouth will promote labor stability, advance the Board's interests in cost, efficiency, skilled labor force, quality, safety and timeliness, and promote the employment of residents of

the school district; and that the Board did previously on August 23, 2023 authorize the Board Secretary/Business Administrator, the Architect, Construction Manager, and Board Attorney to prepare bid specifications for this district project conditioning the award upon the successful bidder agreeing to a project labor agreement that meets the legal requirements of N.J.S.A. 52:38-5 and herein reaffirms this decision and acknowledges that Ben R. Harvey Company, Inc. and all listed subcontractors have executed a Letter of Assent and agreed to participate in a Project Labor Agreement with relation to this project.

6.3 The Superintendent recommends that the Shrewsbury Borough School District Board of Education approve the proposal from RFP Solutions (NJ state contract #80801) for \$98,336.21.

7.0 Curriculum and Instruction - Ms. Montgomery - None

8.0 Personnel - Mr. MacConnell

It was motioned by Mr. Galvin, seconded by Mr. Ngo to approve the following items as listed:

8.1 The Superintendent recommends that the Shrewsbury Borough School District Board of Education approve Carey Abeleda as Long Term Leave Replacement Speech Teacher at the rate of \$125.00/day for days 1-20 then BA/Step 1 \$55,125 from November 6, 2023 - May 15, 2024 for the 2023-2024 school year.

8.2 The Superintendent recommends that the Shrewsbury Borough School District Board of Education approve Jennifer Patton to serve as a Tiger Buddy to Lisa Campbell and Kelly Schlosser to Kate Hoppe for the 2023-2024 school year at the SBEA hourly rate of \$46 an hour not to exceed 10 hours.

9.0 Policy/Special Education - Mr. Ngo - None

10.0 School & Community Relations - Ms. Hepburn-Goldberg - None

11.0 Vote/Roll Call on Agenda Items

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	COMMENTS
Ms. Barber				X	
Mr. Galvin	X				
Ms. Hemel				X	
Ms. Hepburn-Goldberg	X				
Mr. Jannuzzi	X				
Ms. Montgomery	X				
Mr. Ngo	X				
Ms. Gourley-Thompson	X				
Ms. Groom	X				

On a voice vote, seven (7) members voted yes, zero (0) members voted no, and two (2) members were absent.

12.0 Unfinished Business - None

13.0 Public Participation - All Topics

- Mr. Daly - Thank you, big move for the town, Council happy to help.

14.0 Board President's Report - Ms. Groom - None

15.0 Adjournment

It was motioned by Mr. Galvin, seconded by Mr. Jannuzzi to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 am.

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	COMMENTS
Ms. Barber				X	
Mr. Galvin	X				
Ms. Hemel				X	
Ms. Hepburn-Goldberg	X				
Mr. Jannuzzi	X				
Ms. Montgomery	X				
Mr. Ngo	X				
Ms. Gourley-Thompson	X				
Ms. Groom	X				

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