

**GENERAL BUSINESS CONSENT AGENDA  
FOR INSTRUCTION & PROGRAM, OPERATIONS,  
FISCAL MANAGEMENT, PERSONNEL AND GOVERNANCE  
December 20, 2023**

**INSTRUCTION & PROGRAM**

- I&P-1. Approve submission of the IDEA amended application for FY23/24 IDEA-B in the amount of \$7,589,949.00 (FY23/24 \$6,743,676 plus FY22/23 carry over of \$846,273) and IDEA-B Preschool in the amount of \$416,346.00 (FY23/24 \$205,962 plus FY22/23 carry over of \$210,384) for the grant period of July 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024. **APPROVED**
- I&P-2. Approve submission of the FY22/23 IDEA-B Consolidated Final Report for IDEA-B and IDEA-B Preschool, with a balance of unexpended funds of \$846,273.00 (IDEA-B Basic) and \$210,384.00 (IDEA-B Preschool). **APPROVED**
- I&P-3. Approve acceptance of the 2023 Full Service Community Schools (FSCS) Grant to service Schools 10, Joseph A. Taub, Eastside High and International High Schools, in the amount of \$2,097,165.00 for January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, with a five-year total of \$11,349,762.00, during the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2028, and authorize a contribution of matching and in-kind services as required by the 2023 FSCS grant. **APPROVED**
- I&P-4. Approve acceptance of the Full Service Community Schools (FSCS) Grant award to continue servicing Alonzo T. Moody Academy and School 16, in the amount of \$499,959.00 for January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, with a five-year total of \$2,499,795.00, during the period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2027, and authorize a contribution of matching and in-kind services as required, and approves Metis Associates as grant evaluator for \$50,000.00 per year and William Paterson University for \$1,500.00 per year, funded by the 2022 FSCS grant. **APPROVED**
- I&P-5. Approve acceptance of the Southeastern Planetarium Association (SEPA) mini-grant to be used to purchase Astronomy/STEM reading texts and materials, for the 2023-2024 school year, in the amount of \$1,000.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-6. Approve entering into an agreement with Ohr Yisroel of Ridgewood, as a recipient of the FY2024 Teach STEM Classes in Nonpublic Schools grant, in partnership with German Rojas who is employed by the Paterson Public School District, to provide additional remuneration for public school teachers to teach STEM classes in nonpublic schools during hours mutually agreed upon by the partnering teacher, school district and nonpublic school, for the 2023-2024 school year, in the amended amount of \$31,829.46. **APPROVED**
- I&P-7. Approve submission of the Three-Year Preschool Operational Plan and Enrollment Projection for the 2024-2025 school year. **APPROVED**
- I&P-8. Approve the occasional use of therapy dogs at Alonzo T Moody Academy to reduce stress, improve physical and emotional well-being, lower blood pressure, decrease anxiety, improve self-esteem, normalization of the environment, and improve academic achievement, for the 2023-2024 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**

- I&P-9. Approve entering into an agreement with Freespace Dance to provide an eight week dance residency for neurodivergent students at Senator Frank Lautenberg School(6) and STARS/T.I.E.S. Program, beginning January 2024 through June 2024, at an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-10. Approve the partnership between School No. 10 and the Girl Scouts of Northern New Jersey, to provide leadership experience, which features a variety of fun, challenging and experimental activities that empower girls as they develop five attitudes, skills and behaviors essential to effective leadership, for grades 1-6, for the 2023-2024 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- I&P-11. Approve entering into an agreement with Kula for Karma to provide twelve weeks of yoga instruction for students at one Full Service Community School (elementary or middle school), beginning January 2024, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- I&P-12. Approve entering into an agreement with William Paterson University for participation in the WP Music Mentors Project, to provide individual instruction and mentoring through instructional/vocal music to five students from Rosa L. Parks School of Fine & Performing Arts, for the 2023-2024 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- I&P-13. Approve the partnership between the Department of Family and Community Engagement and Visions Federal Credit Union to provide a mentoring program that will encompass financial literacy education, personal, and professional development, STEM/STEAM education enrichment, beginning January 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
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- I&P-22. Approve out of district placement/educational services for students. **APPROVED**
- I&P-23. Approve a field trip for staff and students of the International High Globe Trotters Club at International High School, to France, Austria, Germany, and Switzerland, from March 28 to April 5, 2024, with the cost incurred by the student and fundraising activities. **APPROVED**

## **OPERATIONS**

- O-24. Approve entering into a contract with William Paterson University for membership in the Professional Development Network to provide a Professor in Residence at International High School, to provide high quality job-embedded professional development and support for novice and experienced teachers, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$12,000.00. **APPROVED**
- O-25. Approve the virtual/online Project Lead the Way (PLTW) training for one freshman seminar teacher at International High School, from January 22, 2024 through March 27, 2024, at an amount not to exceed \$2,400.00. **APPROVED**
- O-26. Approve school bus evacuation drills for the 2023-2024 school year pursuant to New Jersey Administrative Code (N.J.A.C. 6A:27-11.2) to be conducted twice each school year. **APPROVED**

- O-27. Approve entering into a jointure agreement with Clifton Board of Education, to transport regular and special needs pupils to schools in-district and out-of-district, for the 2023 extended school year and the 2023-2024 school year, at an approximate cost of \$10,000.00. **APPROVED**
- O-28. Approve award of contracts for Student Transportation Services (PPS-557-24) to transport special needs and regular education students to in-district and out-of-district schools, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an approximate amount of \$2,081,404.71. **APPROVED**
- O-29. Approve award of quoted transportation contracts to various schools in-district and out-of-district, for the 2023-2024 extended school year, in the amount of \$260,105.02. **APPROVED**
- O-30. Approve award of quoted transportation contracts to various schools in-district and out-of-district, for the 2023-2024 school year, in the amount of \$81,859.04. **APPROVED**
- O-31. Approve award of quoted transportation contracts to various schools in-district and out-of-district, for the 2023-2024 school year, in the amount of \$73,716.00. **APPROVED**
- O-32. Approve ratification of addendums to various transportation contracts to add additional mileage, 1:1 aides, additional days and providing transportation for a student out of Paterson, for the 2023-2024 school year, in the amount of \$60,503.40. **APPROVED**
- O-33. Approve award of a contract for Student Transportation Services (PPS-557-24) to transport special needs and regular education students to in-district and out-of-district schools, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an approximate amount of \$36,305.00. **APPROVED**
- O-34. Approve award of quoted transportation contracts to various schools in-district and out-of-district, for the 2023-2024 school year, in the amount of \$29,901.00. **APPROVED**
- O-35. Approve award of quoted transportation contracts to various schools out-of-district, for the 2023-2024 school year, in the amount of \$21,689.00. **APPROVED**
- O-36. Approve ratification of addendums to various transportation contracts to add additional mileage and additional days, for the 2023-2024 school year, in the amount of \$10,436.82. **APPROVED**
- O-37. Approve the cancelation of transportation routes to out-of-district schools, as the vendors are unable to fulfill the routes or no longer needed, for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year, in the amount of (\$138,742.00). **APPROVED**
- O-38. Approve the cancelation of transportation routes to in-district and out-of-district schools, as the vendors are unable to fulfill the routes or no longer needed, for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year, in the amount of (\$70,158.00). **APPROVED**
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## **FISCAL MANAGEMENT**

- F-40. Approve payment of bills and claims dated through December 20, 2023, beginning with check number 240243 and ending with check number 240472 along with direct deposit number beginning with 1896 and ending with 1905 in the amount of \$19,167,640.62, and wire in the amount of \$1,383,554.39, for a total of \$20,551,195.01. **APPROVED**
- F-41. Approve transfer of funds within the 2023-2024 school year budget for the month of October 2023, so that no budgetary line-item account has been over-expended and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations. **APPROVED**
- F-42. Acknowledge receipt and accept the Monthly Financial Report, Board Secretary A148, for the month of October 2023. **APPROVED**
- F-43. Acknowledge receipt and accept the Monthly Financial Report, Reconciliation of Bank Account Statements, for the month of October 2023. **APPROVED**
- F-44. Approve payment for the gross payroll checks and direct deposits dated November 15, 2023, beginning with check number 1017579 and ending with check number 1017666 and direct deposit number D003558948 and ending with D003563340 in the amount of \$13,230,747.64, and payment for the gross payroll checks and direct deposits dated November 30, 2023, beginning with check number 1017667 and ending with check number 1017760 and direct deposit number D003563341 and ending with D003567779 in the amount of \$13,293,588.46. **APPROVED**
- F-45. Approve establishing a student activities bank account at TD Bank North in Paterson, NJ, for the Newcomers High School. **APPROVED**
- F-46. Approve removal of Eileen Shafer from the Board of Trustees of Fund for Paterson Public Schools and appoint Dr. Laurie W. Newell as Trustee and President of Fund, effective July 1, 2023. **APPROVED**
- F-47. Approve acceptance of a donation from Claverack Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution of 60 American classroom flags with their brackets for School No. 8, at a value of \$728.96. **APPROVED**
- F-48. Approve acceptance of a donation from Maggie Dates Interior Design and The Jeni Fund of a TV, video game console, books, and board games, for the remodeling of the School No. 13 "JagDen" in honor and memory of Ms. Jennifer Doherty, a teacher who passed away last year. **APPROVED**
- F-49. Approve acceptance of the Space Station Tiles through NASA's Artifact Module, to serve as a valuable educational tool as a hands-on display and instructional aid for all visitors to the Planetarium at Paterson P-Tech, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- F-50. Approve acceptance of a donation from the North Jersey Super Football Conference of \$2,500.00 for Eastside High School's Full Service Community Schools Program. **APPROVED**
- F-51. Approve acceptance of a donation from the Shekinah Group, LLC, of two \$500.00 checks to be placed in Eastside High School and John F. Kennedy High Schools' athletic activity fund to support their programs. **APPROVED**

- F-52. Approve award of a contract for HIB Online Platform Software & Related (RFP-441-24) to Educational Development Software (EDS), for the 2023-2024 school year in the amount of \$170,000.00, the 2024-2025 school year in the amount of \$175,100.00, and the 2025-2026 school year in the amount \$180,352.00. **APPROVED**
- F-53. Approve entering into an agreement with Emerald Coast Wireless, LLC, to receive student information so that students can obtain Wi-Fi (hot spots and/or tablets) for the 2023-2024 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- F-54. Approve submission to the Passaic County Superintendent of Schools of the Health and Safety Evaluation of School Buildings Facilities Checklist for each location owned or leased by the district has been completed where Section A at 100% and Section B at 80% of items are in compliance. **APPROVED**

### **PERSONNEL**

- P-55. Approve the personnel recommendations of the Superintendent of Schools for adoption at the December 20, 2023, board meeting. **APPROVED**
- P-56. Approve the research studies request through St. John's University—Seokhee Cho: School Social Service Problems for Gifted Students, during the 2023-2024 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**

### **GOVERNANCE**

- G-57. Authorize the Superintendent of Schools to execute the Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education in the mass tort litigation against Juul Labs, Inc. and its affiliates, including Altea Group, Inc., and enter into a Settlement Agreement negotiated by outside counsel Frantz Law Group, APLC. **APPROVED**
- G-58. District approves entering into a consultant agreement with Deborah L. Keys Write of The Write Keys 2 Consulting, LLC to facilitate up to four professional development series in the area of governance practices, plus travel expenses, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00. **APPROVED**

### **ADDITIONAL**

- I&P-59. Approve the purchase of Wilson Language Reading Foundation kits, a structured literacy approach grounded in the science of reading to make learning to read fun while laying the groundwork for lifelong literacy, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$460,423.60. **APPROVED**
- I&P-60. Approve the purchase of 200 licenses of Math Intervention Software (RFP-408-24) from Savvas Learning Successmaker for Grades 6-8 at School No. 21, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$8,700.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-61. Approve entering into an agreement with Sharron Miller's Academy for the Performing Arts (SMAPA) to extend the eight-week dance residency for an additional 16 sessions at Renaissance One School of Humanities, to reinforce motor skills, stimulate creativity through the use of imagination and explore rhythm, space and time, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$2,000.00. **APPROVED**

- I&P-62. Approve entering into an agreement with the Girl Scouts of Northern New Jersey for the use of Paterson P-TECH High School to host the “Girl Scout STEM Exploration Program” four-session program for Paterson female students in grades 9-12 will participate in activities to enhance their interest in leadership, STEM, and entrepreneurship, from January 26, 2024 through February 17, 2024, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- O-63. Approve entering into an agreement with Earl Brown Education Consulting LLC, to provide eight workshops on Parent University and podcast sessions, through the Department of Family and Community Engagement, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$6,392.00. **APPROVED**