

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

INSTRUCTION & PROGRAM

- I&P-1. Approve acceptance of funding for the Nita M. Lowery 21st Century Community Learning Centers, Continuation Grant for after school and summer programs at Schools 2 and 16, under the FOCUS 21 program, for students to participate in academic remediation and enrichment activities in tandem with a board array of other enrichment activities in the areas of arts and culture, youth development, and physical activity, for the 2023-2024 school year, in the amount of \$425,000.00 and authorize a contribution of in-kind services as required and available. **APPROVED**
- I&P-2. Approve acceptance of the Chapter 192 Nonpublic Funding grant to provide Compensatory Education services and English as a Second Language (E.S.L.) services for Paterson students attending non-public schools located in the City of Paterson, for the period of September 7, 2023, through June 30, 2024, in the amount of \$193,031.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-3. Approve acceptance of grant funds from Children & Nature Network for the development of the Green Schoolyard initiative to provide outdoor learning and recreational spaces for Paterson students and the larger community, reduce stormwater runoff events, improve air quality, and reduce surface temperature, for the 2023-2024 school year, in the amount of \$20,000.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-4. Approve acceptance of Nonpublic Textbook Aid Grant from the State of New Jersey to provide textbooks for students attending nonpublic schools within the City of Paterson, for the 2023-2024 school year, in the amount of \$14,394.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-5. 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 Michele Grevesen 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 amount of \$33,632.04. **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 Lynn Hazelman 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 amount of \$33,182.04. **APPROVED**
- I&P-7. Approve adoption and implementation of the Arabic Grade 6 Units I-IV, Arabic Grade 7 Units I-IV, and Arabic Grade 8 Units I-IV, for the 2023-2024 school years. **APPROVED**
- I&P-8. Approve award of contracts for Full-Service Community School Programs for Schools 2, 10, JFK, EHS, IHS (RFP-496-24) to NJ Community Development Corp. in the amount of \$131,178.00, New Destiny Success Centers, Inc. in the

amount of \$47,000.00, Boys & Girls Club of Paterson and Passaic in the amount of \$67,087.00, and Oasis-A Haven for Women & Children, Inc., in the amount of \$212,588.00, for the 2023-2024 school year with an option to renew for the 2024-2025 school year, at a not to exceed amount of \$457,853.00 in total. **APPROVED**

- I&P-9. Approve the partnership between United Way of Passaic County and the Paterson Public Schools' Full-Service Community Schools at Schools 2, 10, 15, 16, and Alonzo Moody Academy (or other FSCS locations), to establish school gardens through the Farm to School Grant Program, for the 2023-2024 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- I&P-10. Approve the amendment to the contract for the Community Art Program (RFP-489-23(2) with Halls That Inspire, Inc., for the 2023-2024 school year, in the amount of \$4,000.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-11. Approve continuation of the contract for Tutoring Services (RFP-434-22) with Tutor.com/Princeton Review, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$264,000.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-12. Approve the articulation agreement between John F. Kennedy High School and Northeast Carpenters Apprenticeship Fund, for students to enroll in the Carpenters Union apprenticeship program and earn credits towards accreditation, for the 2023-2024 school year, in the amount of \$5,000.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-13. Approve the partnership between John F. Kennedy High School and Servant's Heart Ministry for the construction pathway, for students to gain hands-on experience in the trades of plumbing and electrical skills, beginning the 2023-2024 school year, in the amount of \$2,700.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-14. Approve the extracurricular Esports Club offering at John F. Kennedy High School, to develop strategic thinking, teamwork, collaboration, goal setting, preparation, and managing success and failure, as well as traveling to competitions and managing schoolwork, for the 2023-2024 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- I&P-15. Approve participation with Musical Instrument Museum to provide all staff and students with access to its Virtual Education Program, featuring three video collections and lesson materials for a standards-based experience in discovering culture, history and music, for the 2023-2024 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- I&P-16. Approve entering into an agreement with Sharron Miller's Academy for the Performing Arts (SMAPA) to provide an eight-week dance residency in eight elementary schools, grades K-8 and one high school, 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 \$27,200.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-17. Approve award of a contract for an After School Music Program (RFP-439-24) to Wharton Institute for the Performing Arts, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$314,736.00. **APPROVED**

- I&P-18. Approve the purchase of books and materials from Lakeshore Learning Materials, based on children's sensory and social emotional needs for 218 preschool classrooms, for the 2023-2024 school year, in the amount of \$65,308.44. **APPROVED**
- I&P-19. Approve implementation of the Paterson Music Project (PMP) at School No. 16 to utilize the school facilities for students from various schools who are enrolled in the program, cover the after school and Saturday cost of security and chief custodian, and provide School No. 16 students opportunities to join the music program, for the 2023-2024 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- I&P-20. Approve payment of the Project Lead The Way (PLTW) Engineering annual participation fee for schools offering the PLTW courses and curriculum, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$3,200.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-21. Approve entering into an agreement with FIT4BASIC, LLC, for John F. Kennedy High School and Paterson STEAM Academy students to participate in the Fall 2023 Professional Trades Introduction and Certificate Programs, at an amount not to exceed \$59,950.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-22. Approve participation in an evaluation of The Creative Curriculum for Preschool with The National Institute for Early Education Research (NIEER) and Teaching Strategies, with professional development to refine teaching and coaching practices, and focus on implementing The Creative Curriculum with fidelity, during the 2023-2024 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- I&P-23. Approve partnership with the Paterson Museum to create and facilitate a STEM Day Community Outreach event, where students can lead STEM based activities while actively participating in a real-world experience that is meaningful and authentic, for the 2023-2024 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- I&P-24. Approve acceptance of the Chapter 193 funding and approve Catapult Learning to provide services to Paterson students attending non-public schools, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$192,049.72. **APPROVED**
- I&P-25 –
- I&P-27. Approve out of district placement/educational services for students. **APPROVED**

OPERATIONS

- O-28. Approve entering into an agreement with Educational Development Software, LLC, for professional development, student and staff hosting data, and technical support of software for HIBster online reporting system, ONSPIRE Professional Development services, Curriculum Remediation (C3/R3) and HIBsterVention-Intervention and Referral Services, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$95,000.00. **APPROVED**
- O-29. Approve entering into an agreement with the New Jersey Principal and Supervisors Association – Foundation for Educational Administration to provide professional development services for administration at School No. 10, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$9,000.00. **APPROVED**
- O-30. Approve entering into an agreement with Inspired Instruction, LLC, to provide professional development for all instructional staff and program support for staff and students at School No. 18 to train and empower educators to create and sustain a highly engaged student learning environment in order to improve

student achievement and critical thinking, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$29,940.00. **APPROVED**

- O-31. Approve entering into an agreement with Dr. Michael Viega to provide professional development virtually and support via email to district music teachers directly tied to best practices in arts instruction, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$3,000.00. **APPROVED**
- O-32. Approve entering into an agreement with Dr. Daniel Summer to provide professional development virtually and support via email to district art teachers directly tied to best practices in arts instruction, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$700.00. **APPROVED**
- O-33. Approve entering into an articulation agreement between John F. Kennedy High School and Montclair State University, Faculty in Residence, to provide professional development for school staff in the areas of Equity and SEL for teachers to successfully incorporate techniques in classes to increase student scores, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$12,000.00. **APPROVED**
- O-34. Approve entering into a contract with William Paterson University for membership in the Professional Development Network to provide a Professor in Residence at John F. Kennedy High School, to provide professional development in the areas of Math differentiation and SEL for teachers to successfully incorporate techniques in classes to increase student scores, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$12,000.00. **APPROVED**
- O-35. Approve award of contracts for Student Transportation Services (PPS-555-24) 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 \$10,232,353.72. **APPROVED**
- O-36. Approve ratification of the addendum to transportation contracts for additional 1:1 aide for Routes DGS1, JATESY4, JATESY5, additional eight days for Route STARS90Q, at an approximate amount of \$5,114.00, and cancelling Route WPL1, CELS1 and PS3S1 because they are no longer needed in the amount of (\$203,876.00), for the 2023-2024 school year. **APPROVED**
- O-37. Approve entering into a jointure agreement with Greater Egg Harbor Regional High School District, to transport regular and special needs students to in-district and out-of-district schools, for the 2023 extended school year and the 2023-2024 school year, at an approximate amount of \$10,000.00. **APPROVED**
- O-38. Approve award of quoted transportation contract to an out-of-district school, for the 2023-2024 school year, in the amount of \$1,359.84. **APPROVED**
- O-39. Approve attendance for eleven (11) staff members to attend conferences/workshops, in the amount of \$9,556.68. **APPROVED**

FISCAL MANAGEMENT

- F-40. Approve payment of bills and claims dated through September 20, 2023, beginning with check number 238906 and ending with check number 239180, along with direct deposit number beginning with 1794 and ending with 1803, in the amount of \$23,879,291.76. **APPROVED**

- F-41. Approve transfer of funds within the 2023-2024 school year budget for the month of July 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 July 2023. **APPROVED**
- F-43. Acknowledge receipt and accept the Monthly Financial Report, Report of the Treasurer A149, for the month of July 2023. **APPROVED**
- F-44. Approve payment for the gross payroll checks and direct deposits dated August 15, 2023, beginning with check number 1017231 and ending with check number 1017232 and direct deposit number D003538937 and ending with D003538973 in the amount of \$35,460.39, payment for the gross payroll checks and direct deposits dated August 15, 2023, beginning with check number 1017233 and ending with check number 1017238 and direct deposit number D003538974 and ending with D003540376 in the amount of \$3,337,555.40, and payment for the gross payroll checks and direct deposits dated August 31, 2023, beginning with check number 1017239 and ending with 1017250 and direct deposit number D003540377 and ending with D003542153 in the amount of \$3,459,231.81. **APPROVED**
- F-45. Approve acceptance of funds offered by the State of New Jersey for having been approved to participate in the USDA Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program, for the 2023-2024 school year, in the amount of but not limited to \$354,928.58. **APPROVED**
- F-46. Approve acceptance of funds offered by the New Jersey Department of Agriculture for the Local Food For Schools Cooperative Agreement Program, for the purchase of domestic local foods for distribution to schools, in the amount of \$146,226.91. **APPROVED**
- F-47. Approve acceptance of the International Space Station Model through NASA's Artifact Module, to serve as an educational tool and displayed for all visitors to the Planetarium at Paterson P-Tech, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- F-48. Approve acceptance of a donation from Emergence Church and installation of a fence for the garden at School No. 2, for the 2023-2024 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- F-49. Approve acceptance of a donation from Donor's Choose of school supplies/materials for classrooms, laptops, furniture, interactive programs, etc., for School No. 5, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- F-50. Approve cancellation of Multisensory Literacy Professional Development (RFP-419-24) to abandon the project for provision or performance of the goods of service, for the 2023 through 2026 school years. **APPROVED**
- F-51. Approve rejecting all proposals for Psychiatric Evaluation Services (RFQ-907-24) for the 2023-2024 school year, to substantially revise the specification. **APPROVED**
- F-52. PULLED
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- F-54. Approve establishing a qualified pool of engineers/architects for Professional Services – Engineering/Architectural (RFQ-902-24) for Becht Engineering BT, Inc., Clarke Caton Hintz, CTS Group, DeGroup Architecture, DMR Architects, EI Associates, FKA Architects, FVHD Architects, Greenman-Pedersen, Inc., H2M Architects & Engineers, Inc., LAN Engineering, Mount Vernon Group Architects, Parette Samjen Architects, Paulus, Sokolowski and Sarter Engineering, and Remington & Vernick Engineers, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000.00. **APPROVED**
- F-55. Approve award of a contract to the City of Paterson, for the Police Department to cover selected schools, for the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school years, at an hourly rate of \$46.00. **APPROVED**

PERSONNEL

- P-56. Approve the personnel recommendations of the Superintendent of Schools for adoption at the September 20, 2023, board meeting. **APPROVED**

GOVERNANCE

- G-57. Approve entering into an agreement with the YMCA of Paterson to conduct physical and health education classes and extracurricular activities on its premises at 128 Ward Street, Paterson, NJ, for students at Alonzo “Tambua” Moody Academy and Young Men’s Leadership Academy, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$175,500.00. **APPROVED**
- G-58. Approve payment of travel expenses for Deborah L. Keys Write for the September 30, 2023, board retreat on governance practices and goal setting, at an amount not to exceed \$1,500.00. **APPROVED**

ADDITIONAL

- I&P-59. Approve award of a contract for Medical Services for the Full Service Community Schools and 21st Century Programs (RFP-479-24(2) to Health & Wellness Services LLC, for the 2022-2024 school year, with the option to review for the 2024-2025 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$1,149,046.00 annually. **APPROVED**
- I&P-60. Approve entering into an agreement with Bromley Productions, LLC, to provide the assembly program Yojo “Bully No More” at School No. 18, at an amount not to exceed \$1,000.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-61. Approve the Family & Community Engagement “Parent Welcome Back to School Kickoff Conference” which includes guest speakers, facilities, refreshments, bus, teacher’s stipend, childcare/workshops, and supplies, to be held at John F. Kennedy High School, during the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$20,952.00. **APPROVED**
- O-62. Approve submission of the School Safety, Emergency Management and Operations Plan for the 2023-2024 school year. **APPROVED**
- O-63. Approve award of transportation contracts (PPS-556-24) to Scholastic Bus Company, to transport special needs and regular education students to an in-district school, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an approximate amount of \$266,760.00. **APPROVED**

- O-64. Approve entering into a contract with William Paterson University for membership in the Professional Development Network to provide a Professor in Residence, for the 2023-2024 school year, to work with School No. 21 to maintain the positive trajectory in both Student Growth, Chronic Absenteeism, supporting SEL needs, at an amount not to exceed \$24,000.00. **APPROVED**
- F-65. PULLED
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- F-67. Approve rejection of all bid proposals submitted for Student Uniforms (PPS-113-24) as the district wants to substantially revise the specifications, for the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school years. **APPROVED**
- I&P-68. Approve the collaboration with the I.A.A.M. (Infiltrate, Adopt a School, Adopt a Block, Make Disciplined Ones) Initiative, Reverend Michael D. McDuffie, President, to enhance the success of every student, and the vision and mission of Paterson Public Schools for the 2023-2024 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**