

**GENERAL BUSINESS CONSENT AGENDA  
FOR INSTRUCTION & PROGRAM, OPERATIONS,  
FISCAL MANAGEMENT, PERSONNEL AND GOVERNANCE  
November 15, 2023**

**INSTRUCTION & PROGRAM**

I&P-1. PULLED

I&P-2. 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 amended amount of \$34,532.04. **APPROVED**

I&P-3. Approve participation in the ArtsPower Theatre on Demand program that will provide free access to streamed, fully staged, and performed musicals and dramas for Schools 2, 3, 5, Dr. Frank Napier, Jr, 9, 10, 12, 18, 20, 21, 24, 25, 28 and New Roberto Clemente, for the 2023-2024 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**

I&P-4. Approve the partnership between School No. 27 and the Girl Scouts of Northern New Jersey, to provide educational programs and scouting experiences in the areas of Mental Health, Science, Technology Engineering and Math, Social Justice and Girl Scout Traditions, for grades K-5, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an approximate cost of \$900.00 for stipends. **APPROVED**

I&P-5. Approve the partnership between Dr. Frank Napier, Jr. School and Pi Xi Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, for implementation of the Childhood Hunger Initiative Power Pack (CHIPP) Program, to provide weekend and holiday meals for children in grade 3, for the 2023-2024 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**

I&P-6. Approve the partnership between Senator Frank Lautenberg School and the Montclair State University (MSU) Men's Basketball Program, to implement "Reading with the Red Hawks", a literacy initiative where MSU basketball players read to elementary school students and donate books to the school, for the 2023-2024 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**

I&P-7. Approve Full-Service District and Community Partner Staff to attend the 2023 Promise Neighborhoods and Full-Service Community Schools National Network Conference in Arlington, VA, from December 11-13, 2023, focused on implementing Full-Service strategies, national opportunities for full service, and building capacity for successful place-based interventions, at an amount not to exceed \$9,249.52. **APPROVED**

I&P-8. Approve the establishing one COG Mild class at School No. 28, one S-LLD class at Senator Frank Lautenberg School, and eliminate one COG Mild class at School No. 3 and on Autism class at Senator Frank Lautenberg School, for the 2023-2024 school year. **APPROVED**

- I&P-9. Approve the collaboration with the Bergen County Special Services District, McKinney Vento project director, on the use of the Title I, Part A reserve for homeless students enrolled in non-participating attendance areas, for the 2023-2024 school year. **APPROVED**
- I&P-10. Approve entering into an agreement with Mountain Lakes Board of Education to provide independent Educational, Psychological, Speech Evaluations, Occupational and Physical Therapy, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$24,735.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-11 –
- I&P-14. Approve out of district placement/educational services for students. **APPROVED**
- I&P-15. Approve the amended list of field trip destination sites for the 2023-2024 school year. **APPROVED**

### **OPERATIONS**

- O-16. Approve entering into an agreement with American Speech-Language Association (ASHA) to provide virtual professional development to assist para-educators working with student's disabilities learn to be more effective and academic performance through a web-based service, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$2,592.00. **APPROVED**
- O-17. Approve entering into an agreement with Fahami & Valdez Learning Services, LLC, to provide professional development services in Bilingual Education, Sheltered English Instruction, and program development support for the upcoming Dual Language Program at School No. 16, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$17,000.00. **APPROVED**
- O-18. Approve that the Board of Education has received the Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying investigations for the month of September 2023, in which there were 25 incidents reported, and there were 12 being founded cases and 13 being unfounded cases. **APPROVED**
- O-19. Approve that the Board of Education has received the Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying investigations for the month of October 2023, in which there were 43 incidents reported, and there were 19 being founded cases and 24 being unfounded cases. **APPROVED**

### **FISCAL MANAGEMENT**

- F-20. Approve payment of bills and claims dated through November 15, 2023, beginning with check number 239747 and ending with check number 239921, along with direct deposit number beginning with 1862 and ending with 1871, in the amount of \$14,888,273.96. **APPROVED**
- F-21. Approve transfer of funds within the 2023-2024 school year budget for the month of September 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-22. Acknowledge receipt and accept the Monthly Financial Report, Board Secretary A148, for the month of September 2023. **APPROVED**
- F-23. Acknowledge receipt and accept the Monthly Financial Report, Reconciliation of Bank Account Statements, for the month of September 2023. **APPROVED**

- F-24. Approve payment for the gross payroll checks and direct deposits dated October 13, 2023, beginning with check number 1017426 and ending with check number 1017500 and direct deposit number D003550324 and ending with D003554564 in the amount of \$13,091,875.34, and payment for the gross payroll checks and direct deposits dated October 31, 2023, beginning with check number 1017501 and ending with check number 1017578 and direct deposit number D003554565 and ending with D003558947 in the amount of \$13,304,512.17. **APPROVED**
- F-25. Approve the use of the excess 2022-2023 Extraordinary Aid revenue to aid in the increased APSSD tuition costs, for the 2023-2024 school year, in the amount of \$1,609,833.00. **APPROVED**
- F-26. Approve regular payments to the Public Service Electric & Gas, City of Paterson, Paterson Solar, SSI-NELNET, Paterson Solar and Passaic Valley Water Commission, for the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school years. **APPROVED**
- F-27. Approve establishing a student activities bank account at TD Bank North in Paterson, NJ, for School No. 25. **APPROVED**
- F-28. Approve acceptance of grant funds from Trees for Schools to improve the learning environment, health, and quality of life for all schools, for the 2023-2024 school year, in the amount of \$250,000.00. **APPROVED**
- F-29. Approve acceptance of a donation from the Cigna Foundation to be deposited in the School No. 15 student activity account for World Children's Day, in the amount of \$3,000.00. **APPROVED**
- F-30. Approve acceptance of a donation from Engineering Tomorrow of Electric Vehicle Kits to develop and lead purpose-driven labs, so students gain real-life knowledge, for the 2023-2024 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- F-31. Approve revision to the contract for Blacktop and Concrete Work with AA Berms, LLC, to increase the not to exceed amount of \$200,000.00 by \$40,000.00, to an adjusted amount of \$240,000.00, for the 2023-2024 school year. **APPROVED**

## **PERSONNEL**

- P-32. Approve the personnel recommendations of the Superintendent of Schools for adoption at the November 15, 2023, board meeting. **APPROVED**
- P-33. Approve the research studies request through Columbia University Teachers College—Arora Prerna: Promoting Positive School Climate Among Newcomer Immigrant Adolescents, during the 2023-2024 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- P-34. Approve the research studies request through Seton Hall University—Mariam Carpen: Teacher Self-Efficacy and the Work Environment, during the 2023-2024 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**

## **GOVERNANCE**

- G-35. Approve submission of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Safe Return Plan to the New Jersey Department of Education, in accordance with the American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ARP-ESSER III), for all instructional and non-instructional school activities throughout the ARP-ESSER project period. **APPROVED**

## **ADDITIONAL**

- I&P-36. Approve submission of the single-year Innovation Dual Enrollment Pilot Grant to prioritize expanding dual enrollment opportunities for students who have been disproportionately represented in dual enrollment classes, beginning December 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024, in the amount of \$150,000.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-37. Approve acceptance of the single-year New Jersey Learning Acceleration Program: High-Impact Tutoring grant from the New Jersey Department of Education, to provide targeted tutoring interventions for students who have been disproportionately affected by the pandemic, beginning the fall of 2023 through August 31, 2024, at an amount not to exceed \$768,000.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-38. Approve acceptance of the Chapter 192 Nonpublic Additional Funding grant to provide E.S.L. Educational services for Paterson students attending non-public schools located in the City of Paterson, for the grant period of October 30, 2023 through June 30, 2024, in the amount of \$9,888.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-39. Approve award of a contract for Supplemental ESL Resources (RFP-442-24) to Vista Higher Learning, for the 2023-2024, 2024-2025, and 2025-2026 school years, at an amount not to exceed \$135,170.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-40. Approve entering into an agreement with Loving Care Agency d/b/a Aveanna Healthcare to provide 1:1 nursing services, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$73,500.00. **APPROVED**
- O-41. Approve award of a contract for Teacher Professional Development (RFP-427-24) to Inspired Instruction, for the 2023-2024 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00. **APPROVED**
- G-42. PULLED
- F-43. Authorize submission of the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan (CMP) for the 2024-2025 school year, in compliance with the New Jersey Department of Education requirements. **APPROVED**