

**GENERAL BUSINESS CONSENT AGENDA  
FOR INSTRUCTION & PROGRAM, OPERATIONS,  
FISCAL MANAGEMENT, PERSONNEL AND GOVERNANCE  
September 11, 2024**

**INSTRUCTION & PROGRAM**

- I&P-1. 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 2024-2025 school year, in the amount of \$13,092.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-2. Approve extension of the New Jersey Learning Acceleration Program: High-Impact Tutoring grant program, to provide targeted tutoring interventions for students who have been disproportionately affected by the pandemic, for the 2024-2025 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$569,122.49. **APPROVED**
- I&P-3. Approve acceptance of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Grant Allocation from the New Jersey Department of Education, for the improvement of secondary and postsecondary career and technical education programs, for the grant period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, in the amount of \$188,400.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-4. Approve the agreement with Bergen Community College to provide a dental hygiene experience for dental students, while providing preventive dental services for uninsured children residing in Paterson, in the District's Dental Clinic, for the 2024-2025 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- I&P-5. Approve extension of the contract for Credit Recovery Platform (RFP-463-21) with Imagine Learning, LLC (formerly Edgenuity, Inc.), for the 2024-2025 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$112,000.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-6. MOVED TO WORKSHOP
- I&P-7. Approve the use of therapy dogs at Schools 2, 13, Roberto Clemente and Dr. Hani Awadallah, for the 2024-2025 school year, with Alliance for Therapy Dogs (ATD) supplying an insurance certificate naming the district as an additional insured, with a written notification to parents of students who may be in contact with the therapy dog(s), outlining appropriate accommodations for students who are allergic to or fearful of dogs, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- I&P-8. Approve rejecting all proposals for Statistical Consultant (RFP-445-25) as the Board of Education decides to abandon the project, the provision or performance of the goods and/or services, for the 2024-2025 school year. **APPROVED**
- I&P-9. Approve acceptance of the Chapter 193 funding and approve Catapult Learning to provide services to Paterson students attending non-public schools, for the 2024-2025 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$198,262.36. **APPROVED**
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- I&P-12. Approve out of district placement/educational services for students. **APPROVED**
- I&P-13. Approve the amended list of field trip destination sites for the 2024-2025 school year. **APPROVED**

## **OPERATIONS**

- O-14. Approve award of a contract for Wilson Foundations Coaching (PPS-116-25) to Wilson Language Training Corp., for the 2024-2025 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$111,000.00. **APPROVED**
- O-15. Approve entering into an agreement with Up the Bar Educational Achievement, to provide professional development to teachers on the 'what' and 'why' of adopting best practices but also guide them through the 'how' to achieve tangible results, focusing on Sheltered English Instruction, for the 2024-2025 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$42,500.00. **APPROVED**
- O-16. Approve vice principal Asha Edwards to participate in Harvard University online professional development module: "Leading for Excellence and Equity", during the 2024-2025 school year, in the amount of \$1,995.00. **APPROVED**
- O-17. Approve award of contracts for Student Transportation Services (PPS-562-25) to transport special needs and regular education students to in-district and out-of-district schools, for the 2024-2025 school year, in the amount of \$3,985,299.88. **APPROVED**
- O-18. Approve award of quoted transportation contracts to various schools in-district and out-of-district, for the 2024-2025 extended school year, in the amount of \$250,199.42. **APPROVED**
- O-19. Approve attendance for twenty-seven (27) board and staff members to attend conferences/workshops, in the amount of \$43,061.55. **APPROVED**

## **FISCAL MANAGEMENT**

- F-20. Approve payment of bills and claims dated through September 11, 2024, beginning with check number 244572 and ending with check number 244714 along with direct deposit number 2166 through 2189 in the amount of \$18,993,771.59. **APPROVED**
- F-21. Approve transfer of funds within the 2023-2024 school year budget for the month of July 2024, 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 July 2024. **APPROVED**
- F-23. Acknowledge receipt and accept the Monthly Financial Report, Report of the Treasurer A149, for the month of July 2024. **APPROVED**
- F-24. Approve payment for the gross payroll checks and direct deposits dated August 15, 2024, beginning with check number 1020364 and ending with check number 1020370 and direct deposit number D003639426 and ending with D003640870 in the amount of \$3,557,605.63, payment for the gross payroll checks and direct deposits dated August 30, 2024, beginning with check number 1020371 and ending with check number 1020384 and direct deposit number D003640871 and ending with D003642318 in the amount of \$3,283,496.64. **APPROVED**

- F-25. Authorize the completion of an application and receipt of a safety grant through the New Jersey Schools Insurance Group (NJSIG), to provide members the necessary resources to complete risk reduction projects and improve the safety of the population NJSIG members serve, for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, in the amount of \$11,800.00. **APPROVED**
- F-26. Authorize the award of a cooperative pricing agreement with Haig Service Corporation under the Ed-Data, for the procurement of burglar alarm monitoring/maintenance and related services, for the 2024-2025 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$600,000.00. **APPROVED**
- F-27. Authorize the award of a cooperative pricing agreement with W.W. Grainger Industrial under NJ Start, for the utilization of time and material contracts for the procurement of feminine supplies and dispensers, as needed, for the 2024-2025 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$400,000.00. **APPROVED**
- F-28. Approve award of a contract for Security Vestibule at EWK School (PPS-294-25) to RBUILD, LLC, for the 2024-2025 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$356,800.00. **APPROVED**
- F-29. Authorize the award of a cooperative pricing agreement with Envirocon under the Ed-Data Services Cooperative, for the procurement of kitchen equipment repairs, for the 2024-2025 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00. **APPROVED**
- F-30. Approve award of a contract for support and maintenance of proprietary computer software and hardware to Horizon Software International, Inc., to provide the Department of Food Services with the necessary annual maintenance services agreement, beginning August 1, 2024 through July 31, 2025, at an amount not to exceed \$29,076.05. **APPROVED**
- F-31. Approve award of a contract to Culinary Digital Inc., for the purpose of implementing a new initiative to digitize school lunch and/or breakfast menus, with accompanying nutritional facts information for all district schools, but at a contracted minimum of four, for the 2024-2025 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00. **APPROVED**
- F-32. Approve award of a contract to Big Mix, LLC, to provide ServSafe training (which will result in ServSafe safety certification) to all foodservice personnel, during the 2024-2025 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$6,500.00. **APPROVED**
- F-33. Approve award of a contract to ArchiveSocial, Inc., to help ensure Paterson's social website is digitally accessible per ADA guidelines, for the 2024-2025 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$9,588.00. **APPROVED**

## **PERSONNEL**

- P-34. Approve the personnel recommendations of the Superintendent of Schools for adoption at the September 11, 2024, board meeting. **APPROVED**
- P-35. Approve adoption and use of the Focal Point Model evaluation instrument listing for the 2024-2025 school year for certificated staff members and recommends its submission to the Commissioner of Education for review and approval in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:6-122. **APPROVED**

- P-36. Approve research studies request through Spalding University – Wrathell Gause: A Case Study of Teacher Recruitment and Retention in a High-Needs Urban School District, during the 2024-2025 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**

## **GOVERNANCE**

- G-37. 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 2024-2025 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$175,500.00. **APPROVED**

## **ADDITIONAL**

- I&P-38. Approve adoption and implementation of the revised Computer Science curricula and courses of studies for Introduction to Artificial Intelligence for the 2024-2025 school year. **APPROVED**
- I&P-39. Approve award of a contract for an After School Instructional Music Program (RFP-439-25) to Wharton Institute for the Performing Arts, for the 2024-2025 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$376,308.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-40. Approve entering into an agreement with Musical Instrument Museum for participation in a virtual education program, for the 2024-2025 school year, at not cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- O-41. Approve entering into an agreement with Susette Jaquette to provide professional development for Eastside High School Algebra I teachers, for the 2024-2025 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$8,075.00. **APPROVED**
- O-42. Approve entering into a contract with NOBOX, Inc., to provide professional development training for instructional staff and program support for staff and students at Joseph A. Taub School, to train and empower educators to create and promote a student-centered, collaborative learning environment that addresses specific students’ needs through professional planning, for the 2024-2025 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$5,370.00. **APPROVED**
- O-43. Approve ratification of the addendum to transportation contracts to add additional days and additional aides, for the 2024-2025 school year, in the amount of \$10,413.00. **APPROVED**
- O-44. Approve award of quoted transportation contract to an out-of-district school, for the 2024 extended school year, in the amount of \$2,800.00. **APPROVED**
- P-45. Approve research studies request through William Paterson University – Veronica Ricigliano: Building Administrators’ Perceptions of Their Preparedness as leaders of Special Education, during the 2024-2025 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- I&P-46. Approve adoption and implementation of the revised Multilingual ESL and World Language curricula and courses of studies for grades 6-8, for the 2024-2025 school year. **APPROVED**

- I&P-47. Approve payment of the Project Lead The Way (PLTW) Engineering annual participation fee for schools offering the PLTW courses and curriculum, for the 2024-2025 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$6,400.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-48. Approve award of a contract to Halls that Inspire, Inc., to create two murals at Alexander Hamilton Academy, for the 2024-2025 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-49. Approve award of a contract for Community Art Program (RFQ-910-25) to Halls that Inspire, Inc., for the 2024-2025 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$41,000.00. **APPROVED**
- I&P-50. Approve entering into an agreement with the music educators of D.S. Education Alliance, LLC, to work with the students at Young Men's Leadership Academy, to address development of cognitive skills, development of discipline skills, development of teamwork, development of creativity and expressive skills, character development, and development of autonomous learning and self-management, for the 2024-2025 school year, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**
- I&P-51. Approve award of a contract for Gift Cards (PPS-108-25) to Rellevate, Inc., for the 2024-2025 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00. **APPROVED**
- O-52. Approve submission of the Statement of Assurance and acknowledge that the Board of Education has reviewed the New Jersey Department of Education School Self-Assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights (ABR) for the 2023-2024 school year, and that the public was given advance notice of the Self-Assessment and an opportunity to ask questions and provide input. **APPROVED**
- F-53. Approve entering into a consultancy contract with Garden State Environmental for chemical hygiene program services, for the 2024-2025 school year, at an amount not to exceed \$33,430.00. **APPROVED**
- G-54. Approve entering into a contract with Frantz Law Group, APLC, as special counsel in mass tort litigation against pharmacy benefit managers for overcharging the district and its insured employees and their dependents for insulin medication, for the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 school years, at no cost to the district. **APPROVED**