

MINUTES OF THE PATERSON BOARD OF EDUCATION WORKSHOP MEETING

February 9, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.
Remote - Zoom

Presiding: Comm. Kenneth Simmons, President

Present:

Ms. Eileen F. Shafer, Superintendent of Schools
Ms. Susana Peron, Deputy Superintendent
Khalifah Shabazz-Charles, Esq., General Counsel
Boris Zaydel, Esq., Board Counsel

Comm. Vincent Arrington
Comm. Emanuel Capers
Comm. Jonathan Hodges

Comm. Dania Martinez
Comm. Nakima Redmon, Vice President
Comm. Corey Teague

Absent:

Comm. Oshin Castillo-Cruz
Comm. Manuel Martinez

Comm. Simmons read the Open Public Meetings Act:

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of, and to attend the meetings of the Paterson Public School District, as well as other public bodies at which any business affecting the interest of the public is discussed or acted upon.

In accordance with the provisions of this law, the Paterson Public School District has caused adequate and electronic notice of this meeting:

**Workshop Meeting
February 9, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.
Virtual
90 Delaware Avenue
Paterson, New Jersey**

to be published by having the date, time and place posted in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Paterson, at the entrance of the Paterson Public School offices, on the district's website, and by sending notice of the meeting to the Arab Voice, El Diario, the Italian Voice, the North Jersey Herald & News, and The Record.

PRESENTATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

School Safety Data System (SSDS) Report

Ms. Shafer: Thank you, Mr. President. Good evening, Paterson community, Board members, and staff. Tonight, we have our School Safety Data System Report, the SSDS Report. I'm going to introduce now Nicole Payne for the HIB report. I think Nicole is having some technical difficulties, so we're going to move on to Laurel Olsen.

*Eileen Shafer	RIEL First Annual Symposium	February 4, 2022	\$49.00 (registration)
Superintendent of Schools	Virtual		
*Cicely Warren	2022 NAPDS Annual Conference	February 9-12, 2022	\$1,642.41 (registration, transportation, lodging, meals)
Assistant Superintendent	Chicago, IL		
Michele Borak	Custom Computer Specialists Data Days & Master Schedule	March 1-3, 2022	\$799.00 (registration) **Anyone in the district w/access to Infinite Campus can participate at no additional cost
Supervisor/MIS	Virtual		
Maria Choy	Institute for Professional Development: Government Ethics in the Modern Era	March 9, 2022	\$50.00 (registration)
Purchasing Coordinator	Virtual		
Emanuel Capers	NSBA 2022 Annual Conference	March 31 - April 4, 2022	\$3,672.00 (registration, transportation, lodging, meals)
Board Member	San Diego, CA		
Tiffany McBride	ASCD 2022 Annual Conference	April 20-22, 2022	\$699.00 (registration)
Vice Principal/School 5	Virtual		
Maria Choy	CEUnion S.W.O.T. Analysis	April 28, 2022	\$55.00 (registration)
Purchasing Coordinator	Virtual		

TOTAL CONFERENCES: 9
TOTAL AMOUNT: \$7,214.41

***FOR RATIFICATION**

Resolution No. 4

Recommendation/Resolution: Approve professional services contract with DMR Architects, 77 Terrace Avenue, 6th Floor, Suite 607, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ 07604

WHEREAS, at the Board of Education meeting of June 17, 2020, Resolution #54 was approved to award a contract for professional services to produce a Redistricting Plan, DMR Architects, of Hasbrouck Heights, NJ; and

WHEREAS, at the Board of Education meeting of November 12, 2020, Resolution #2 was approved for additional professional services to complete and submit a Major Amendment to the District's Long-Range Facility Plan (LRFP) to; and

WHEREAS, Paterson Public Schools (the "District") has a need for additional professional services, to produce a district-wide plan that creates Middle Schools zones with sending Elementary Schools and to update to the approved LRFP that was approved on August 25, 2021;
and

WHEREAS, the term "professional services" is defined in N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-2 to mean services performed by a person lawfully practicing a regulated profession that requires advanced knowledge which is acquired through a formal course of specialized instruction, other than general academic instruction or apprenticeship and training, or services necessary to provide original and creative goods or services in a recognized field of artistic endeavor,

WHEREAS, the District has determined to acquire such services through a non-fair and open contract in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A 20.4 and 20.5, and without public advertising for bids pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5;

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract will not exceed 12 consecutive months, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-42;

WHEREAS, DMR Architects has submitted a proposal offering to provide such services for a total price that will not exceed \$19,760; and

WHEREAS, the awarding of this contract is in line with the "A Promising Tomorrow Strategic Plan 2019-2024". Goal Area #2: Facilities, Objective 1.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to enter into a contract with DMR Architects for professional services, in an amount not to exceed \$19,760 for the 2021-2022 school year, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notice of the award will be published within 20 days in an official newspaper stating the nature, duration, service, and amount of the contract, and that the resolution and contract are on file and available for public inspection in the office of the board of education, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(1) and N.J.A.C. 5:34-9.5.

It was moved by Comm. Teague, seconded by Comm. Redmon that Resolution Nos. 1 through 4 be adopted. On roll call all members voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

**Paterson Board of Education
Standing Abstentions**

Comm. Arrington

- Self
- Family

Comm. Capers

- Self
- 4th and Inches
- Westside Park Group
- Insight
- Jersey Kids