



November 16, 2020 ~ 6:00pm
Audit Committee Meeting of the ESM Board of Education
Regular Meeting to Immediately Follow
Video Conferencing Meeting via GoogleMeet

III-A-4272
12/14/2020

REGULAR MEETING

Board of Education Present: Mrs. Lori Aird, Mr. John Albanese, Mrs. Susan Cain, Mrs. Tracy Callahan, Mrs. Leah Cushing, Mrs. Kay Gallery, Mrs. Deborah Kolod, Mrs. Diane Seaman, Mr. D. Paul Waltz.

Board of Education Absent: 0

Administrative Personnel Present: Dr. Donna DeSiato, Supt.; Dr. Thomas Neveldeine, Deputy Supt.; Mrs. Katherine Skahen, Exec. Dir. of School Bus. Admin./Clerk; Mr. Douglas Mohorter, Executive Director of Employee Engagement & Accountability; Mr. Kieran O'Connor, Exec. Dir. of Planning, Development & Technology; Mr. N. Shane Hacker, Exec. Dir. of Curriculum, Learning & Assessment; Mr. John Young, Director of Facilities.

Other Present: Ms. Amanda Graham- Quirk, District Treasurer; Mrs. Yvette Hinman, ESM TA.

Interested Citizens: 10

MRS. DEBORAH KOLOD, PRESIDENT, CALLED THE REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:21 PM AT VIDEO CONFERENCING VIA GOOGLE MEET.

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

- A. School Related Professionals Recognition: *"SRP's Caring for their Community"*
- B. School Psychologists Appreciation Week
- C. Park Hill School Improvement Plan Highlight: *Little Changes, Big Impact*- Mrs. Buddendeck and Park Hill staff presented.

FIFTEEN MINUTE PERIOD: *Given this unprecedented time and the virtual nature of this meeting, there will not be a Fifteen Minute Period for public comment. Please follow District [Communications Protocols](#) or contact the [ESM Board Clerk](#) for further information.*

REPORTS:

- A. Acceptance of Minutes:
[October 26, 2020 Regular Meeting](#)
- B. President/Vice President/Board Member Reports:
All I Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten: Spartan Stage Fall Play, Live Streaming

November 20 & 21, 2020. Tickets available on ESM Website.

C. Superintendent Reports:

ESM Strategic Plan Update:

- Spartan Academy
- STEM Learning Ecosystem, Virtual Community of Practice

2020-2021 Reopening Status Report in Key Areas:

- Communication/Family and Community Engagement
- Health and Safety
- Facilities
- Social Emotional Well Being
- Technology and Connectivity
- School Schedules
- Teaching and Learning
- Extra Curricular Activities

Governors NYS Cluster Action Initiative:

- Yellow Zone Clarification

“RESOLVED BY MRS. GALLERY, SECONDED BY MR. WALTZ THAT, the Reports A – C, as recommended by the Superintendent be approved.”

Ayes – 9, Nays – 0, Motion Carried

ACTION ITEMS:

A. OCM BOCES Agreements for Cooperative Energy Purchasing (Electricity & Gas)

“**WHEREAS**, Article 5-G of the New York State General Municipal Law authorizes municipal corporations to enter into cooperative agreements for the performance or exercise of services, functions, powers or activities on a cooperative or contract basis among themselves or one for the other, and

WHEREAS, Section 119-n of the General Municipal Law defines the term "municipal corporation" for the purposes of Article 5-G as a county outside the city of New York, a city, a town, a village, a board of cooperative educational services, a fire district or a school district; and

WHEREAS, East Syracuse Minoa Central School District, Town of Dewitt, New York (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Participant") is a "municipal corporation" as defined above; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes for this municipal corporation to become or remain a Participant pursuant to the Municipal Cooperation Agreement For Energy Purchasing Services dated the 1st day of May 2005 (the “Agreement”), among municipal corporations collectively identified as the New York School and Municipal Energy Consortium ("NYSMEC") upon the terms of the Agreement and further wishes to authorize participation as an energy consumer as specified below.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board hereby determines that it is in the interests of the East Syracuse Minoa Central School District to participate in the NYSMEC, and authorizes and directs Mrs. Katherine Skahen to sign the Agreement/and or the Billing Schedule and Agreement for electricity on its behalf; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board authorizes the Administrative Participant (as defined in the Agreement) to prepare, advertise, disseminate and open bids pursuant to the General Municipal Law and to award, execute and deliver binding contracts on behalf of this Board for the purchase of electricity delivered to the delivery point of the local utility distribution company for the Participant's facility or facilities, on a firm basis, for this Participant to the lowest responsible bidder as is determined by the Administrative Participant at a price for such commodity electricity not to exceed \$0.0736 cents per kWh for a term of at least one year and no more than three years commencing May 1, 2021, and other terms and conditions, all as may be determined by the Administrative Participant, or to reject any or all such bids; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Participant agrees to advertise said bid as may be directed by the Administrative Participant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the officers and employees of this Participant are authorized to execute such other confirming agreements, certificates and other documents and take such other actions as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the intent of this resolution.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.”

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board authorizes the Administrative Participant (as defined in the Agreement) to prepare, advertise, disseminate and open bids pursuant to the General Municipal Law and to award, execute and deliver binding contracts on behalf of this Board for the purchase of natural gas delivered to the city gate of the local utility distribution company for the Participant's facility or facilities, on a firm basis, for this Participant to the lowest responsible bidder as is determined by the Administrative Participant at a price for such commodity natural gas not to exceed \$0.583 cents per therm for a term of at least one year and no more than three years commencing May 1, 2021, and other terms and conditions, all as may be determined by the Administrative Participant, or to reject any or all such bids; and

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This Resolution shall take effect immediately.”

“RESOLVED BY MRS. CALLAHAN, SECONDED BY MRS. AIRD THAT, the Action Items A, as recommended by the Superintendent be approved.”

Ayes – 9, Nays – 0, Motion Carried

B. Health and Safety Committee

“NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the East Syracuse Minoa Central School District, Onondaga County, New York, as follows:

The following qualified individuals are approved as members of the East Syracuse Minoa Central School District Health and Safety Committee for the 2020-21 school year:

Dr. Thomas Neveldine, Katherine Skahen, John Young, Douglas Mohorter, Ronald Perry, Pamela Buddendeck, Lori Aird, Amanda Graham-Quirk, Tracy Lothridge, Eileen Christopher, Tammy Ciotti, Karen Dooling, Kelly Dutton, Kathryn Jaquin, Cynthia Todd, Robert Harper, Catherine Burke, Hayley Schober, Kayleigh Kinney, Maria Korik, Yvette Hinman, Bryan LaMacchia, Matthew Twichell, Trisha Hargraves, Susan Reynolds, James Stoddard, Reba McIntosh, Kenneth Waldby (BOCES), Evan Todd (BOCES).

This resolution shall take effect immediately.”

“RESOLVED BY MR. ALBANESE, SECONDED BY MR. WALTZ THAT, the Action Items B, as recommended by the Superintendent be approved.”

Ayes – 9, Nays – 0, Motion Carried

CONSENT AGENDA:

- Treasurer’s Report (Sept-20 & Oct-20)
- Extra Classroom Activity Fund Reports CHS/PGMS (Sep -20)
- Appropriation Status Reports (Sept-20 & Oct-20)
- Budget Transfers (Sept-20 & Oct-20)
- Revenue Status Report (Quarterly)
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- CSE/CPSE Reports
- Donations

“RESOLVED BY MRS. CALLAHAN, SECONDED BY MRS. CUSHING, THAT, the Consent Agenda, as recommended by the Superintendent, be approved.”

Ayes –9, Nays – 0, Motion Carried

PERSONNEL ITEMS:

A. Resignation

Paul Carr, Social Studies Teacher - CHS, Eff. 01/04/2021

B. Appointment

Instructional, Annual Appointment

Lisa Stoothoff, Permanent Itinerant Substitute - Woodland Elem., Eff. 11/17/2020-06/30/2021

C. Amended Substitute List

“RESOLVED THAT, the enclosed substitute list dated 11/16/2020, be approved.”

“RESOLVED BY MR. WALTZ, SECONDED BY MRS. CALLAHAN THAT, Personnel Items A-C, as recommended by the Superintendent, be approved.”

Ayes –9, Nays – 0, Motion Carried

POLICY DISCUSSION: None

POLICY ACTION: None

RESOLVED BY MR. WALTZ, SECONDED BY MRS. AIRD THAT, THE REGULAR
MEETING BE ADJOURNED AT 8:12 PM”

Ayes - 9, Nays - 0, Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Skahen
District Clerk

Approved _____
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VI. POLICY DISCUSSION: None

VII. POLICY ACTION: None