



NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Monday, January 8, 2024
VIA ZOOM or HYBRID at
Barack Obama Magnet
69 Farnham Avenue, New Haven, CT 06515
5:30 PM

1. Call to Order – *Mayor Justin Elicker*
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Welcoming of New Board of Education Member – *Ms. Andrea Downer*
4. Election of Officers
 - a. Election of Board of Education President
 - b. Election of Board of Education Vice President
 - c. Election of Board of Education Secretary
5. Public Participation (*see instructions below*)
 1. Public comments will be limited to three minutes per speaker. The Board will hear public comment for up to 60 minutes.
6. Action Items – Discussion and vote anticipated on each topic
 1. Approval of Board Minutes – *December 11, 2023 and December 21, 2023 (special)*
 2. *Request to Change date* of Monday, February 12, 2024 BOE regular meeting to Tuesday, February 13, 2024; in recognition of Lincoln’s Birthday, which is a State holiday.
 3. Personnel Report – *Dr. Madeline Negrón*
 4. Finance and Operations Committee – *Mr. Matthew Wilcox*

The Committee recommended approval of the following items:

ABSTRACTS:

1. Yale New Haven Hospital Career Awareness Program Grant, in the amount of \$4,760.00 for January 9, 2024 to April 30, 2024 to provide a virtual career awareness program for high school students.
2. Yale New Haven Hospital School to Career Program Grant, in the amount of \$16,659.00 for January 9, 2024 to June 30, 2024 to provide in-person, paid internships to 14 high school students.
3. FAFSA Challenge Grant in the amount of \$21,605.00 for December 11, 2023 to June 30, 2024, to support improvement of FAFSA completion rates for James Hillhouse, Wilbur Cross, New Haven Academy, Metropolitan Business Academy and COOP high schools.
4. Title IVA – Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grant 2024, in the amount of \$837,564.00 of which \$787,647.96 is designated for public schools and \$49,916.04 is designated for non-public schools.
5. CT-AUMH Integrated Care Pilot Project in the amount of \$24,000.00 per year for two years, to support a stipend for a Family Educator in the Fair Haven School Family Resource Center for January 1, 2024 to December 30, 2024.

AGREEMENTS:

1. Agreement with Trifecta Ecosystems, Inc., to plan, build and install an additional garden and outdoor education/community area at HSC, from January 9, 2024 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$75,000.00.



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2. Agreement with Great School Partnership, Inc., to provide professional development to faculty at HSC to support continued implementation of a project-based learning curriculum in a mastery-based grading system, from January 9, 2024 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$52,000.00.
3. Agreement with Leadership, Education and Athletics in Partnership, Inc., (LEAP), to provide an after-school literacy-based enrichment program for up to 245 students, grades 1st through 8th in Title I Schools, from February 1, 2024 to June 9, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00.
4. Agreement with Achievement First, to provide special education services for New Haven Public School students attend the Amistad Academy Charter School and Elm City Charter School, from August 28, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$497,414.00.
5. Amendment #1 to Agreement #91361165 with Cheshire Fitness Zone, to increase funding of \$141,960.000 by \$141,960.00 to \$283,920.00 and to increase Scope of Service to provide increased staffing for speech-language remediation and evaluation throughout the district.
6. Amendment #1 to Agreement #91362371 with RelayHub, LLC, to change the start date of the Agreement from August 28, 2023 to July 1, 2023, with no change in funding amount of \$97,200.00.
7. Memorandum of Understanding by and between the Connecticut Association for Infant Mental Health and the New Haven Board of Education, to participate in an Integrated Care Pilot Project at the Fair Haven School Family Resource Center, and to provide grant funding in the amount of \$24,000.00 to support a stipend for a Family Resource Center Educator, from January 1, 2024 to December 30, 2025.
8. Amendment #1 to Agreement #96399777 with ARTE, Inc., to expand the Scope of Service to include after school programming at Jepson and Clinton Avenue schools; to provide after school programming for McKinney-Vento families at the Atwater Senior Center; and, to provide Saturday Academy and College Readiness programming for McKinney-Vento homeless students at the Atwater Senior Center; and, to increase funding of 85,050.00 by \$43,130.00 to \$128,180.00.
9. Amendment #2 to Agreement #95384038 with Auntie Rose Child Care, to convert unenrolled slots converted into 9 infant/toddler slots, and to increase funding of \$365,708.00 by \$60,750.00 to \$426,458.00.
10. Amendment #3 to Agreement #95384040 with Calvin Hill Day Care Center to increase the number of slots from 11 by 1 to 12, and to increase funding of \$72,400.00 by \$3,600.00 to \$76,000.00.
11. Amendment #2 to Agreement #95384032 with First Step Child Care, to increase the number of slots by 2, and to increase funding of \$237,216.00 by \$8,924.00 to \$246,140.00.
12. Amendment #2 to Agreement #95384024 with Friends Center, to increase the number of slots from 60 by 1 to 61 slots, and to increase funding of \$593,040.00 by \$4,462.00 to \$597,502.00.
13. Amendment #2 to Agreement with Gateway Community College, to convert six open full day Pre-K slots to four infant toddler slots, and to increase funding of \$295,720.00 by \$27,000 .00 to \$322.720.00.
14. Amendment #2 to Agreement with The Little School House, to convert four unfilled Pre-K slots to four infant/toddler slots, and to increase funding of \$177,912.00 by \$27,000.00 to \$204,912.00.
15. Amendment #2 to Agreement #95384025 with Montessori School on Edgewood, to reduce the number of slots by 4, and to decrease funding of \$306,404.00 by \$17,848.00 to \$288,556.00.
16. Amendment #2 to Agreement with Westville Community Nursery School, to convert 2-part day slots to 1 school day slot, and to decrease funding of \$69,720.00 by \$3,000.00 to \$66,720.00.
17. Agreement with Winston Strategic Partners, LLC to provide marketing for the schools which includes cable tv, radio and digital advertising which is inclusive of all types of media, from December 26, 2023 to March 1, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00.
18. Amendment #1 under Agreement 2023-CON-0379 with Shipman & Goodwin to increase funding amount from \$35,000.00 by \$90,000.00 for a total amount of \$125,000.00, to cover the costs for the remainder of the fiscal year.



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19. Amendment #1 under Agreement 2023-CON-0377 with Shipman & Goodwin to increase funding amount from \$80,000.00 by \$130,000.00 for a total amount of \$210,000.00, to cover the costs for the remainder of the fiscal year.
20. Agreement with CT Custom Aquatics to provide start up and operational costs associated with Martinez Pool from January 2, 2024 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$52,500.00.
21. Agreement with Stantec Consulting Service, Inc. to provide landscape architectural for playgrounds in the district, from January 2, 2024 to June 30, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$75,000.00.

CONTRACTS:

1. Award of Contract 70205049X with Elite Construction Resources to supply and install of a motorized gym divider for King Robinson school gymnasium, from January 2, 2024 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$27,205.00.
2. Award of Contract 21907 to Concrete Creations to demolish and construct new wooden deck entrance at Sound School (Anderson, Thomas & McNeil) from January 2, 2024 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$202,330.00.
3. Contract 21903X with Tucker Mechanical to replace the existing make up air unit at Betsy Ross School from January 2, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$55,072.00.
4. Contract 21911X with New Haven Painter to renovate the contents of approximately 1,250 sq. ft. of an existing classroom acoustic sprayed ceiling at Career High School Class 302 from January 2, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$22,500.00.

PURCHASE ORDERS:

1. Purchase Order under contract 21892-4-5 with Concrete Creations, LLC to repair pipe trench at Cross High School from December 14, 2023 to June 30, 2024 in an amount \$78,800.00.
2. Purchase Order under State Contract 18PSX0319 with Sports Construction of Ct. to install and move bleachers at Cross High School from January 2, 2024 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$31,680.00.
3. Purchase Order under State Contract 21PSX0106AA with Tucker Mechanical to repair leaks on boiler at Cross High School from January 2, 2024 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$85,043.00.
4. Purchase Order under State Contract 19PSX0088 with Utility Communications to install a bidirectional amplifier system at Career High School from January 2, 2024 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$107,120.13.
5. Purchase Order under State Contract 19PSX0088 with Utility Communications to install a bidirectional amplifier system at Hillhouse High School from January 2, 2024 to June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$105,815.50.

CHANGE ORDERS:

1. Change Order #1 of Contract 21687-4-5 with Sports Construction of CT, LLC to increase funding amount from \$50,000.00 by \$10,000.00 for a total amount of \$60,000.00 to cover costs incurred for the remainder of the fiscal year.

- V. Student's Report
- VI. Teaching and Learning Report – Dr. Edward Joyner
- VII. Facilities Naming Committee Report – Dr. Edward Joyner
- VIII. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Madeline Negrón
- IX. President's Report – Ms. Yesenia Rivera
- X. Head Start Report – Mr. Matthew Wilcox



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- XI. Citywide School Building Committee Report – Mr. Matthew Wilcox
 - XII. Finance & Operations Report – Mr. Matthew Wilcox
 - XIII. Governance Report – Dr. Abie Benitez
 - XIV. Food Service Task Group Report – Dr. OrLando Yarborough
 - XV. Adjournment
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Zoom Information:

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