

FLORHAM PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION

Public Work Session May 17, 2021

Board Conference Room and Via Telecommunications

67-71 Ridgedale Avenue

Public Work Session - 5:30pm

-MINUTES-

Mission Statement: The Florham Park Schools are committed to the achievement of individual academic excellence through high quality teaching, learning and community involvement. This results in students being well prepared to meet future educational challenges and to contribute to society. They will achieve these goals in accordance and alignment with the New Jersey Student Learning Standards, which guide our academic instruction.

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2020-2021 Board Goals

- Regardless of the learning environment (virtual, hybrid, in-person), the board will use student achievement data to monitor the effectiveness of all of our instructional programs, including but not limited to Special Education; and curricular updates that encompass the district's Social Justice vision.
- Ensure that all funds are used in an effective and efficient manner to achieve the Board and District goals; curricular needs; and meet the district's long-range facilities needs, including the capital improvement projects supported by the referendum.
- Continue to support effective and transparent communication with the community to further the development of an engaged, connected community, and a growing environment of local organizations and businesses.
- Support the health, safety, and welfare of the district's students and staff, with a continued emphasis on the district's Social-Emotional Learning initiative.
- Continue to recognize the accomplishments of staff and students.

2020-2021 District Goals

- Increase achievement of all students in the district including those who are not meeting grade-level benchmarks. (Supports Strategic Plan Goal 1)
- Continue to provide for the emotional well being and support for our students. (Supports Strategic Plan Goal 1)
- To assist in developing an engaged and connected environment within the community. (Supports Strategic Plan Goal 4)
- To create a learning environment that maximizes student access to 21st Century Tools. (Supports Strategic Plan Goal 3)

A. CALL TO ORDER:

B. ROLL CALL:

BOARD MEMBER	PRESENT	ABSENT
Ms. Sabatos (Stacey)	X	
Ms. Heinold (Kristina)		X
Ms. Crimi (Fabienne)	X	
Mr. Ritrivi (Nicholas)	X	
Mr. Perillo (Brian)	X	
Ms. Rozek(Linda)		X
Ms. Cali (Yvonne)	X	

C. FLAG SALUTE:

D. SUNSHINE STATEMENT:

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, (Chapter 231, P.L. 1975), adequate notification of this meeting has been provided by advertising in the Morristown Daily Record and the Madison-Florham Park Eagle. In addition, notices were posted at the Municipal Clerk's Office, Public Library, and the Board Administration Office at 67-71 Ridgedale Ave at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

E. WORK SESSION UPDATES:

- PD Update
 - Leadership
 - Math PD
- Reading Intervention Update
- Brain Camp Curriculum
- RMS Flex Period & Electives (Mr. Steffner)
- Brooklake & Ridgedale President's Award
- WIDA
- Online Programs Feedback
 - Reflex Math
 - Frax Math
 - Pear Deck
 - Ready Rosie
- Professional Learning Community (PLC)
 - *S.Caponegro discussed the 2020/21 PLC Administrative Book Club study discussions and reflections: Leading Well; Building Schoolwide Excellence in Reading and Writing by Lucy Calkins, and Engaging Children; Igniting a Drive for Deeper Learning k-8 by Ellin Oliver Keene*

F. PUBLIC COMMENT-OPEN: This portion of the meeting is open to any individuals for the purpose of addressing resolutions on this agenda or matters that they find is important to the Board of Education, and is governed by Board Policy 0167. Prior to making a comment, members of the public are required to state their names, addresses and subject matter of the comment. Comments are limited to three minutes per person. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic until all others who wish to speak on the topic have been heard. Comments made by members of the public **may or may not** be responded to by the Board. Any response that is provided will be made at the end of the public comment period, after all comments have been heard.

The Board asks that members of the public be courteous and mindful of the rights of other individuals when speaking. Students and employees have specific legal rights afforded by the laws of New Jersey. Therefore, comments regarding specific students and employees will not be responded to by the Board. The Board bears no responsibility nor will it be liable for any comments made by members of the public. Members of the public should consider their comments in light of the legal rights of those affected or identified in their comments and be aware that they are legally responsible and liable for their comments.

G. CURRICULUM:

H. OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS:

- Staffing Service - Award of Contract
- Bid Opening 5/7/21 Project#21 RMS Auditorium Renovation

Resolution(s) -

Finance Award of Educational Services Contract

Upon review of legal counsel and the recommendation of the Superintendent move to;

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Florham Park Board of Education awards a contract, in compliance with 18A:18A-1 et.seq. and 40A:11-4.5, to Educational Solution Services(ESS) for the **2021-2022** school year to provide Educational Services - Substitute Staffing Services and Paraprofessional Placement Services. ([On file in administration office.](#))

Motion; NR Second; BP

5 yes, 0 no

Finance Bid Award

Upon review of legal counsel and the recommendation of the Superintendent move to;

2. **Approve** as part of State Project#1530-030-19-3000 /Local Project Contract#21 Auditorium Renovations at Ridgedale Middle School contracting with GL Group, Inc. Bloomingdale, NJ the lowest responsive bidder in the amount of \$1,637,958.00(Base Bid Only, Reject Deduct Alternate #1).

Motion; NR Second; BP

5 yes, 0 no

I. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS:

Mrs. Cali discussed her attendance at a NJSBA training. Dr. Caponegro reiterated his communication sent out earlier today to the school community on COVID guideline updates to travel and the quarantine time frame being reduced from 14 days to 10 days. Dr. Caponegro also discussed that if the Close Contact guidelines remain, virtual instruction will still need to be delivered to students; therefore, the classrooms are currently being set up to meet these needs, unless guidelines change.

J. ADJOURNMENT -

Mr. Rituriv motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:23p.m. The motioned received a second from Ms. Crimi and carried by unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted,



John Csatos
Business Administrator/Board Secretary