# REGULAR MEETING NOVEMBER 15, 2023

#### **DUNMORE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Dunmore Board of School Directors was held Wednesday, November 15, 2023, at 6:00pm in the High School Cafeteria. The Work Session was held Monday, November 13, 2023, at 6:00pm in the Board Room. Mr. Kranick presided.

#### I. ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS

MR. BUTLER	PRESENT
MR. COLEMAN	PRESENT
MR. HALLINAN	PRESENT
MR. HUNT	PRESENT
MR. KRANICK	PRESENT
MS. LIBASSI	PRESENT
MS. MCDONOUGH	PRESENT
MR. MCHALE	PRESENT
MR. MURACCO	PRESENT

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Marichak, Mrs. Lopatka, Atty. Matthew Dempsey

# \*\*\* PUBLIC DISCUSSION - None

# II. APPROVED MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Hallinan seconded by Mr. Butler to approve the MINUTES of the Regular Meeting October 18, 2023.

ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR

# III. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Motion by Mr. Butler seconded by Ms. McDonough that permission be granted to Following for the use of District facilities/equipment:
  - 1. Volleyball Fundraiser DHS Gym 12/26/23 5pm to 9pm.
  - 2. DHS Cheerleaders fundraiser 11/22/23 Kids Night from 6pm to 8pm.

# THIS IS SUBJECT TO CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL DURING CONSTRUCTION

The use of District facilities is subject to the conditions established by the Dunmore School District and may not conflict with any regularly scheduled activity.

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#### OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

- B. Motion by Mr. Muracco seconded by Mr. Hallinan to set the Board Reorganization date For December 4, 2023 at 6:00pm.

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- C. Motion by Ms. Libassi seconded by Mr. McHale to enter into an Agreement with PSBA For Administrative Regulations Services at a cost of \$905.25.

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- D. Motion by Mr. Muracco seconded by Mr. Hallinan to enter into an Agreement with Edu Consult LLC. For Grant Capturing Services and Lobbying Activity. The cost is \$2,000.00 per month for a minimum of twenty four (24) months pending Solicitors Review and approval by 12/1/23.

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- IV. PERSONNEL
- A. Motion by Mr. Butler seconded by Mr. Hallinan to accept the Personnel Reports.
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- B. Motion by Mr. Butler seconded by Mr. McHale to appoint Colin Kearney, Volunteer Swim Coach.

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### V. EDUCATION

- A. Motion by Mr. Hunt seconded by Mr. Hallinan to update Policies: 815 Internet, Computers and Websites and 819 Suicide Awareness.

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- B. Motion by Ms. Libassi seconded by Mr. Hallinan to approve lending Library Agreement With NEIU #19 for 2023-2024 School year. (See attached)
  ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR

#### VII. FINANCE

A. Motion by Mr. Muracco seconded by Mr. Hallinan to approve the following payrolls: 10/27 &11/9/23;

10/27/23

\$424,443.32

11/9/23

<u>\$426615.08</u>

\$851,058.40

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WHEREAS, this contract shall take effect immediately with a start date of July 1, 2023, and shall continue with the period ending June 30, 2024.

WHEREAS, the LEA wishes to enter into an agreement with the Northeastern Educational Intermediate Unit to borrow designated lending library equipment on an as-needed basis during the term of this Agreement.

WHEREAS, Northeastern Educational Unit 19 (NEIU) desires to create an arrangement with the LEA whereby equipment may be provided to the LEA.

NOW THEREFORE, intending to be legally bound hereby, the parties hereto agree as follows:

- This contract shall commence on July 1 and conclude on June 30 of the designated school year.
- 2. Borrowing of Equipment.
  - a. The NEIU possesses and will provide the equipment as listed in the online Lending Library Environment.
    - 1. Upon request by the LEA, and when such requested items are available and in good . working order. The LEA may take possession of the borrowed equipment for a period no longer than two calendar weeks ("borrowing period") from the date on which it is received from NEIU:
    - 2. Renewal periods may be available to the LEA at the discretion of NEIU. For equipment that is in high demand or in need of repair and/or maintenance, the NEIU reserves the right to delay or defer renewal periods where the LEA has already borrowed the equipment for at least one borrowing period.
  - b. The NEIU reserves the right to deny the borrowing of any equipment at their discretion.
  - c. The NEIU will insure equipment is delivered via the courier unless the LEA provides another means or request.
  - d. The NEIU will require LEA staff requesting the equipment to undergo brief training either digitally or face to face, on the proper use of the item.
  - e. The borrowed items shall be returned in the packaging in which the LEA received the equipment and in the same conditions as when it was borrowed, with the exception of normal wear and tear.
  - f. The LEA shall maintain general liability and/or property insurance that will cover the equipment against any damage incurred while it is in the possession of the LEA. The LEA shall compensate the NEIU for any losses to the equipment that are beyond normal wear and tear.
  - Serving the Schools of Lackawanna, Pike, Susquehanna, Wayne, and Wyoming Countles NEIU is an Equal Opportunity Employment, Educational and Service Organization



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g. Upon return of the equipment which may be arranged from the courier, the NEIU will review the equipment and will notify the LEA in writing of any damage assessed within sixty (60) days.

h. Upon completion of agreement, requests for equipment can be made by LEA employed teachers.

I. Drones may be available in the lending library. Any LEA borrowing a drone must have an adopted district policy concerning drone use. All NEIU drones may only be used indoors.

#### 3. Fees.

- a. The use of lending library equipment is free of cost to LEAs, public schools, charter schools and non-public schools in Lackawanna, Susquehanna, Wayne, Wyoming and Pike Counties.
- b. When items that are found to be damaged beyond the scope of the warranty, or are returned incomplete and/or damaged, the LEA will be charged the cost to repair or replace the item, whichever is cheaper. Replacement costs are subject to change based on fluctuating costs of items, being replaced.
- c. If item(s) are not returned on or before the due date, and/or are returned in a state not in conformance with 3b, above, an LEA may forfeit, at the discretion of the NEIU, the opportunity to borrow items in the future.
- d. Where items are not returned, the LEA will be charged the actual cost of replacing the item, and not the value of used, comparable goods.

## 4. Termination.

- Either party may terminate this agreement by providing sixty (60) days' notice. Upon termination by either party, any amounts due and owing the Northeastern Educational Intermediate Unit for services provided under this Agreement up to and including the date of notice of termination, will be immediately due and payable.
- 5. This Agreement may not be modified, amended, altered or rescinded orally. Any and all changes must be made in writing and signed by the parties.
- 6. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Questions regarding equipment and training necessary to borrow the equipment can be directed to Stephanie Williams, STEM Support Specialist.

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Please complete, sign and return this page to Stephanie Wiliams, STEM Support Specialist % NEIU 19 ·1200 Line Street Archbald, PA 18403 OR

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Treasurer's Report Real Estate Tax Collector's Report Activities Reports Wage Tax Collector's Report

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C. Motion by Mr. McHale seconded by Mr. Hunt to approve LIST OF BILLS; \$444,192.58.

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D. Motion by Mr. McHale seconded by Mr. Muracco to approve the District's Property/ Casualty/Fleet proposal including Boiler and Machinery Insurance with Utica National Insurance Co. The cost for the 2023-2024 School year is \$55,413.00. (Increase \$5,693.00 from prior year)

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E. Motion by Mr. Muracco seconded by Ms. Libassi to approve a one (1) year contract with TRU-Green for lawn care services for 2024. The cost of the contract \$8,675.99. (Increase Of \$1,266.32 from prior year)

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F. Motion by Mr. Butler and seconded by Mr. Hallinan to approve Capital Project Payments;

#### CM3 BUILDING SOULUTIONS INC.

	DOORS & WINDOWS	\$38,096.15
-	VARIOUS PROJECTS	\$1,750.00

# SCRANTON ELECTRIC HEATING & COOLING SERVICES, INC.

- PLUMBING	\$22,991.00
- MECHANICAL	\$40,362.00
SPANO CONSTRUCTION	\$592,587.90
HEMMLER CAMAYD	\$8,990.16
ROBERT M. SIDES FAMILY	\$12,101.00
NORTHEASE DATA, INC.	\$101,809.60
IWDA	\$1,348.00

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G. Motion by Mr. Hallinan seconded by Mr. Hunt to retain the services of Government Software Services, Inc. for the 2023 Homestead/Farmstead Printing mailing services as required by the Taxpayer Relief Act (Act 1) At a cost of the \$.35 per mailing. (No increase from prior year) ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR

#### VII. NEW BUSINESS -

Mr. Butler congratulated Mr. McHale for his service and was a pleasure serving with him. Mr. Hallinan also thanked Mr. McHale for his service. Mr. Muracco and the rest of the Board congratulated Mr. McHale on a great job for the School District.

Long discussion in regards to discipline and keep conversation going and create a subcommittee. Mr. Kranick stated policy and procedure that is in place is worth looking into.

# NOVEMBER SUPERINTENDENT'S NOTES 11/15/23

- I am pleased to announce that the following students from our High School have produced posters that are finalists in the Holiday Poster Contest sponsored by the Lackawanna/Susquehanna Office of Drug and Alcohol Programs
  - o Geanne Kircher, Lily Massaro and Sophia Welk
    - We collected 3 of the 5 finalist winner
  - There will be an awards ceremony on Wednesday, November 29 at the Scranton Cultural Center where the winner will be named
    - Thanks to Mrs. Hogan and the students for their magnificent work
- The Administrative Team as well as our School Resource Officers participated in a very intense safety training at PENN SSI in Mechanicsburg. It is offered through PSBA and provided our team with some valuable information, training and insight into keeping our schools as safe as possible.
- 6 of our High School chorus students qualified for PMEA District 9 ensemble.
  - o 5 of these students qualified and will participate in a festival at Dallas High School from January 24-26. If they are successful they will move on to Region 4 Chorus.
    - Emma Renard, Geanna Kirchner, Julianna Argust, Jackson Madajeski and Conor Roberts
  - o Thanks to Mr. Frank Jones for his hard work on this project
- The Crimson Company will perform the play "The Bugs" is Thursday, November 16th and Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. The curtain goes up at 7 both nights
  - o I would like to thank Ms. Carlier for her dedicated efforts with our drama students
- The following are events conducted by or will be conducted by our service club:
  - Will be helping the United Neighborhood Center with the distribution of Thanksgiving food on Tuesday November 21st.
  - Conducted a food drive during Homecoming Week where items collected were donated to the NEPA Youth Shelter
  - Raised close to \$4,000 for the NEPA Cancer Wellness Center during Pink Game
     Week
- We have the mobile vaccination clinic on campus on Monday Dec. 4th from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM.
  - The clinic is provided through the Wright Center and is free of charge. It is open to our students and their families and all vaccinations will be available

# VIII. PRESIDENT'S REPORT -

Mr. Kranick also wished Mr. McHale well and congratulated him. He also acknowledged Fall Sports were doing well and CTC – Dunmore kids a great job with assisting with 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

# IX. <u>SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT</u> – See attached

## X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. McHale seconded by Mr. Butler to adjourn to meet in Regular Session or at the call of the CHAIR.

ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Libassi Board Secretary