

**Board of Education of East Newark, Hudson County, NJ**  
**Special Meeting Minutes June 2, 2022**

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**Board President** Carla Fernandes called the Regular Meeting of the East Newark Board of Education to order on Thursday June 2, 2022 at 7:10 p.m., led the Board in the Salute to the Flag and read the following Opening Statement:

**OPENING STATEMENT**

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., adequate notification of this meeting has been provided by advertising in the Jersey Journal and posted at the Borough Clerk's Office

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Ms. Fernandes, President  
Ms. Sarro  
Ms. Ditchkus  
Ms. Perez  
Ms. Leone

**Absent:** Ms. Pinto

**Also Present:** Dr. Rosaura Bagolie, Acting Superintendent/Principal  
Robert Clark, Secretary Pro Temp  
Frances Febres, Board Attorney

**INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION 7:12 p.m.**

Ms. Fernandes read the following statement:

Be It Resolved, that the East Newark Board of Education hereby adjourns to Executive Session in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., for the reason(s) identified below. The minutes of the discussion during Executive Session will be available to the public when such minutes have been approved by the Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1 and the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

- Attorney - Client Privilege
- Personnel – employment matters affecting a specific prospective or current employees

Motion by: Ms. Ditchkus  
Seconded by: Ms. Fernandes

***All in favor***

**OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION BACK INTO PUBLIC SESSION – 9:08 p.m.**

Motion by: Ms. Fernandes  
Seconded by: Ms. Perez

***All in favor***

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No comments from the public

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**THE REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

No Report

**RESOLUTION BY BLOCK VOTE R6-1337- R6-1248-22**

Motion by: Mr. Fernandes

Seconded by: Ms. Ditchkus

**ROLL CALL: YES 5 NO 0 ABSTAIN: None**

- 6-1237-22** Approve Auditor and Forensic Audit
- 6-1238-22** Approve East Newark 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Bathroom Additions
- 6-1239-22** Approve Acting Superintendent/Principal Contract
- 6-1240-22** Approve Superintendent/Principal Contract
- 6-1241-22** Approve Job Description of the CST Coordinator/School Psychologist
- 6-1242-22** Approve CST Coordinator/School Psychologist
- 6-1243-22** Approve I-Ready Incentive / DARE Trip to FunPlex
- 6-1244-22** Approve End of the Year Carnival
- 6-1245-22** Amend Summer School Hours
- 6-1246-22** Approve Ashely Hempstead Summer School Paraprofessional
- 6-1247-22** Approve Derris Brown as Teacher in Charge for the 2022-2023 School Year
- 6-1248-22** Approve Interlocal Agreement with the Borough of East Newark

**6-1237-22 APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR AND FORENSIC AUDITOR**

**WHEREAS**, the East Newark Board of Education requires professional auditing services and

**WHEREAS**, the nature of the services to be performed meet the definition of “professional services” as defined by the Public School Contract Law, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1, et seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, the East Newark Board of Education is authorized by the Public School Contract Law N.J.S.A. 18A:18A5, to award a professional services contract by the adoption of a resolution at a public meeting, without having to publicly advertise for competitive bids; and

**WHEREAS**, there are sufficient funds available for the payment of such professional s services within the budget of the East Newark School District; and

**WHEREAS**, the East Newark Board of Education have decided that the appointment of Wielkotz and Company LLC firm to serve in an auditing capacity; and

**WHEREAS**, the firm that is being appointed have the expertise to provide the requested services, as well as are certified to provide auditing and accounting services for school districts in the State of New Jersey; and

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**WHEREAS**, the East Newark Board of Education intends for this appointment to commence immediately at its June 3, 2022 meeting and thereby, rescinds all other contracts with any other auditor firms previously approved therefore;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the East Newark Board of Education appoint Wielkocz and Company LLC, of Pompton Lakes, as the District's Auditor to provide professional accounting and auditing services related to the District's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, in an amount not to exceed of \$29,500 plus reimbursable expenses, as well as, forensic auditing services at an hourly rate of: Senior/Partner \$200, Senior Manager \$175, Manager \$150, Senior Associate, \$125, Associate \$100, Administrative \$75 AND;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Wielkocz and Company LLC. be authorized to provide consulting services to the Business Office for the additional audit services prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standard Board reporting requirements, as necessary including forensic accounting and auditing services for the District for a term that shall commence immediately

**6-1238-22**

**RESOLUTION FOR CONTRACT AWARD FOR THE 2<sup>nd</sup> FLOOR BATH ADDITION PROJECT. TO BE PAID WITH ESSERS FUNDS.**

**WHEREAS**, the East Newark Board of Education (the "Board") is a member of the cooperative bidding system operated by the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey (the "ESCNJ") and administered by the ESCNJ;

**WHEREAS**, the Board may utilize the time and material pricing established through the competitive public bidding procurement processed conducted by the ESCNJ through the state approved approved cooperative pricing system #65MCESCCPS;

**WHEREAS**, on April 15, 2020, the ESCNJ received and publicly opened sealed bids for job order contracting –repair and maintenance Bid # ESCNJ 20/21-;

**WHEREAS**, based on the bids received by the ESCNJ on April 15, 2020, the ESCNJ determined that Murray Paving & Concrete, LLC in conjunction with The Gordian Group Inc. submitted the lowest time and material pricing and is qualified to perform job order contracting for repair and maintenance work on school districts in the County of Hudson;

**WHEREAS**, Murray Paving & Concrete, LLC in conjunction with The Gordian Group Inc. submitted a quote to the Board for work on the East Newark School 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Bathroom addition project based on pricing approved by the ESCNJ pursuant to the above referenced public bidding process;

**WHEREAS**, the Board, wishes to award the contract to Murray Paving & Concrete in conjunction with The Gordian Group, Inc. by utilizing the pricing established by the ESCNJ through its public bidding procurement process;

**WHEREAS**, under the ESCNJ's bidding procedures, the pricing offered by Murray Paving & Concrete, LLC in conjunction with The Gordian Group Inc. is valid through June 29, 2023;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby awards the contract for the project to Murray Paving & Concrete 17 Park Place, Paramus, New Jersey

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07652 in conjunction with the Gordian Group Inc., 820 Bear Tavern Road, Trenton, New Jersey 08628 in the amount not to exceed \$114,617.80;

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board 's award is subject to the terms and conditions of contracts to be prepared by Board counsel, which the Board President is authorized to execute on behalf of the Board.

**6-1239-22** **Be it Resolved**, that the Board of Education hereby approves the contract of employment with Dr. Rosaura Bagolie for Acting Superintendent/Principal, effective May 4, 2022 through June 30, 2022, at the salary rate of \$155,000.00 (Attachment   A  ), which authorization is expressly conditioned upon and subject to the approval by the Commissioner of Education.

**6-1240-22** **Be it Resolved**, that the Board of Education hereby approves the contract of employment with Dr. Rosaura Bagolie as Superintendent/Principal for a five-year term beginning July 1, 2022 and ending midnight on June 30, 2027, at the salary rates and terms and conditions set forth in the contract (Attachment   B  ), which authorization is expressly conditioned and subject to the approval of the Executive County Superintendent.

**6-1241-22** **Be It Resolved**, Be It Resolved, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the job description – CST Coordinator/School Psychologist, as attached.

**6-1242-22** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, approves Michael Cedeño as the CST Coordinator/ School Psychologist, for the 2022-2023 school year.

**6-1243-22** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, approves the following field trip:

Destination	Date	Admission	Transportation
The FunPlex	June 15, 2022	\$2,575.00	\$2,600.31

**6-1244-22** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, approves the end of the year carnival, which will take place at Veterans Field, at a cost of \$3,791.21.

**6-1245-22** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, amends resolutions 4-1211-22 and 4-1212-22 for Summer School 2022, scheduled hours from 5 hours per day to 4 hours per day, 4 days per week from July 5- July 28, 2022 for teachers and aides.

**6-1246-22** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, approves Ashely Hempstead as paraprofessional for Summer School 2022 from July 5-July 28, 2022, at her contractual rate, four hours per day, 4 days per week. To be paid from ESSERS II funds.

**6-1247-22** **Be It Resolved**, that the East Newark Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, approves Derris Brown as Teacher in Charge for the 2022-2023 school year at \$125 per day as needed in addition to her salary.

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**6-1248-22**      **Be it resolved,** that the Board of Education hereby agrees to enter into an Interlocal Services Agreement (as attached) with the Borough of East Newark for use of parking facilities. Effective June 13, 2022 through June 13, 2023.

**OLD BUSINESS**

NONE

**NEW BUSINESS**

NONE

**PUBLIC COMMENT/QUESTIONS**

NONE

**BOARD COMMENTS**

NONE

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by:      Mr. Fernandes

Seconded by:   Ms. Ditchkus

BE IT RESOLVED, that with no further business to come before the East Newark Board of Education, the meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m., all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,



R. Paul Vizzuso  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary