

MINUTES

**BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING
YONKERS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Monday, June 29, 2020 (4:30 PM)**

THE FOLLOWING ACTION IS HEREBY RECORDED OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON JUNE 29, 2020 AT 4:30 P.M.

In adherence with social distancing requirements and Governor Cuomo’s Executive Order, the Board of Education Special Meeting scheduled for Monday, June 29, 2020 was held via video conference via Zoom. The meeting was streamed live at www.yonkerspublicschools.org

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ROLL CALL

UPON THE ROLL BEING CALLED, THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT:

BOARD MEMBERS:

Rev. Steve Lopez
Judith Ramos Meier
Kevin Cacace
Dr. John Castanaro
Dr. Rosalba Corrado Del Vecchio
Abdool H. Jamal

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Superintendent Dr. Edwin M. Quezada, Deputy Superintendent Dr. Andrea Coddett, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Corey Reynolds, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Luis Rodriguez, Assistant Superintendent Rose Collins Judon, Assistant Superintendent Lissette Colon Collins, Dr. Fenix Arias, Brad Gorson and various staff.

CALL TO ORDER

1.1 CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order by President Rev. Steve Lopez at 4:35 p.m.

1.2 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was led by Vice President Judith Ramos Meier.

1.3 PRAYER

“Almighty God, we acknowledge our dependence upon Thee and ask Thy blessing upon us and Thy guidance in our deliberations. May Thy blessing rest upon all those who serve in our schools, upon our students, and upon our city and our country.”

The Prayer was led by Vice President Judith Ramos Meier.

1.4 MOMENT OF SILENCE

Moment of Silence

ROLL CALL AND QUORUM CHECK

2.1 ROLL CALL AND QUORUM CHECK

ROLL CALL

REVEREND STEVE LOPEZ- Yes

JUDITH RAMOS MEIER - Yes

ANDREA BROWN - Absent

KEVIN CACACE - Yes

DR. JOHN CASTANARO - Yes

DR. ROSALBA CORRADO DEL VECCHIO - Yes

ABDOOL H. JAMAL - Yes

FROM BOARD MEMBERS

3.1 COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD

Comments from the Board Members

Board President Rev. Steve Lopez spoke about the recent year-end thank you letter sent from the Board of Education Trustees expressing appreciation to all stakeholders in the school district and community. The letter is also available on the district website.

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

4.1 SUPERINTENDENT UPDATES

Communication from the Superintendent

Superintendent Dr. Edwin M. Quezada gave an update on the summer school programs in the district and introduced the resolution on tonight’s agenda.

TRANSPORTATION

5.1 ADOPTION OF TRANSPORTATION REPORT - 5.2

May I have a motion to vote on the Adoption of Transportation Report - 5.2

Resolution: ADOPTION OF TRANSPORTATION REPORT - 5.2

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Dr. John Castanaro**) Moved, Member (**Kevin Cacace**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'ADOPTION OF TRANSPORTATION REPORT - 5.2'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **7** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 6 - 0**

Abdool H. Jamal	Yes
Dr. John Castanaro	Yes
Dr. Rosalba Corrado Del Vecchio	Yes
Judith Ramos Meier	Yes
Kevin Cacace	Yes
Rev. Steve Lopez	Yes

5.2 Award-RFB#6514-YPS Summer Transportation Services (Category #7) 2020 w/option to extend Summer 2021 & Summer 2022

Bid Abstract-category 7- Summer School 2020 Master Cost not to Exceed Amounts - Schedule B Performance Based Contract Guidelines BOCS

As required Yonkers Public Schools Board of Education is requesting approval to AWARD RFB#6514-Category 7- Summer 2020 transportation services to the lowest bidders: First Student Inc., Academy Bus Company, First Steps Trans Inc., and MAT BUS Corp (In & Out of District transportation services).

Resolution: WHEREAS the following is contingent upon the lowest responsible bidders complying with Section 112 of the City Code of the City of Yonkers regarding Hack Licenses and all other requirements of RFB-6514; and WHEREAS the Yonkers Public Schools Board of Education wishes to enter into a contract with First Student Inc., Academy Bus Company , First Steps Trans Inc., and MAT BUS Corp as mentioned above on resolution to provide Summer transportation services for Summer 2020 with the option to extend, WHEREAS, the following is contingent upon the School District's actual utilization of the aforementioned line items and services; and WHEREAS the district administration has designed in conjunction with First Student Inc., Academy Bus Company , First Steps Trans Inc., and MAT BUS Corp as mentioned above on resolution, a service which meets the objectives set forth by the Board. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to enter into an agreement with First Student Inc., Academy Bus Company , First Steps Trans Inc., and MAT BUS Corp as mentioned above on resolution at a cost not to exceed \$1,999,280.00 that the following line items are awarded as follows: First Steps Trans not to exceed \$822,920.00, First Student not to exceed \$730,110.00, Academy Bus not to exceed \$285,000.00 and MAT Bus Corp not to exceed \$161,250.00 It is acknowledged and agreed

that pursuant to the terms of that certain intermunicipal agreement by and between the City of Yonkers Board of Education ("BOE") and the City of Yonkers (the "City") as filed in the Office of the City Clerk on June 16, 2014, the terms of this agreement are subject to review and revision by the Corporation Counsel, as well as approval by the City's Board of Contracts and Supply. Furthermore, this agreement shall not be enforceable until signed by all parties and approved by the Corporation Counsel's Office.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Dr. John Castanaro**) Moved, Member (**Kevin Cacace**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'WHEREAS the following is contingent upon the lowest responsible bidders complying with Section 112 of the City Code of the City of Yonkers regarding Hack Licenses and all other requirements of RFB-6514; and WHEREAS the Yonkers Public Schools Board of Education wishes to enter into a contract with First Student Inc., Academy Bus Company , First Steps Trans Inc., and MAT BUS Corp as mentioned above on resolution to provide Summer transportation services for Summer 2020 with the option to extend, WHEREAS, the following is contingent upon the School District's actual utilization of the aforementioned line items and services; and WHEREAS the district administration has designed in conjunction with First Student Inc., Academy Bus Company , First Steps Trans Inc., and MAT BUS Corp as mentioned above on resolution, a service which meets the objectives set forth by the Board. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to enter into an agreement with First Student Inc., Academy Bus Company , First Steps Trans Inc., and MAT BUS Corp as mentioned above on resolution at a cost not to exceed \$1,999,280.00 that the following line items are awarded as follows: First Steps Trans not to exceed \$822,920.00, First Student not to exceed \$730,110.00, Academy Bus not to exceed \$285,000.00 and MAT Bus Corp not to exceed \$161,250.00 It is acknowledged and agreed that pursuant to the terms of that certain intermunicipal agreement by and between the City of Yonkers Board of Education ("BOE") and the City of Yonkers (the "City") as filed in the Office of the City Clerk on June 16, 2014, the terms of this agreement are subject to review and revision by the Corporation Counsel, as well as approval by the City's Board of Contracts and Supply. Furthermore, this agreement shall not be enforceable until signed by all parties and approved by the Corporation Counsel's Office'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **7** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 6 - 0**

Abdool H. Jamal	Yes
Dr. John Castanaro	Yes
Dr. Rosalba Corrado Del Vecchio	Yes
Judith Ramos Meier	Yes
Kevin Cacace	Yes
Rev. Steve Lopez	Yes

ADJOURNMENT

6.1 ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn meeting.

Resolution: Motion to adjourn.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Judith Ramos Meier**) Moved, Member (**Abdool H. Jamal**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Motion to adjourn'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **7** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 6 - 0**

Abdool H. Jamal	Yes
Dr. John Castanaro	Yes
Dr. Rosalba Corrado Del Vecchio	Yes
Judith Ramos Meier	Yes
Kevin Cacace	Yes
Rev. Steve Lopez	Yes
