



CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NEW BRITAIN

New Britain Board of Education | Finance, Facilities, and Transportation Committee Regular Meeting

December 18, 2023 – 6:15 PM | New Britain Educational Administration Center

Members of the public may attend meeting in person or view a live broadcast of the meeting online via the livestream link:

<https://www.csdnb.org/board/>

1. Call to Order and Opening

Finance, Facilities and Transportation Chair, Anthony Cane called the meeting to order at 6:40 PM

Board Members Present:

Mr. Anthony Cane*, Mr. Joseph Listro*, Ms. Barbara Marino, Ms. Annie Parker*, Ms. Joan Pina*, Mr. Jose Rivera*, Ms. Tina Santana

**Committee member*

CSDNB Staff Present

Ms. Ann Alfano, Ms. Amy Anderson, Ms. Aja Edwards, Dr. Anthony Gasper, Ms. Rebecca Gonzalez, Ms. Maryellen Manning, Dr. Silvia Mayo-Molina, Mr. Jeff Prokop, Mr. Tyrone Richardson, Dr. Nicole Sanders, Mr. Paul Salina, Mr. Robert Smedley, Mr. Mark Spalding, Ms. Ivelise Velazquez

2. New Business

- A. Review and Approve Minutes from Finance, Facilities, and Transportation Committee Meeting on October 23, 2023
Submitted by Ms. Aja Edwards

Mr. Cane motioned to approve Minutes from Finance, Facilities, and Transportation Committee Meeting on October 23, 2023. Ms. Joan Pina abstained from voting, Motion carried unanimously.

- B. Facilities/IT Update
Presented by Ms. Rebecca Gonzalez and Mr. Jeff Prokop

Presentation attached.

- C. Accept donation from Stacey Lombardo to support 4th and 5th grade students – Chamberlain Elementary (\$2,000.00)
Submitted by Mr. Zaldivar

Mr. Cane motioned to add this item to the Board's consent Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting in January. Motion carried unanimously.

- D. Accept grant from the Commission on Community & Neighborhood Development for the purchase and installation of a playground – Lincoln Elementary (\$233,000.00)
Submitted by Mr. Robert Smedley

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Mr. Cane motioned to add this item to the Board's consent Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting in January. Motion carried unanimously.

- E. Accept grant from The Office of Early Childhood to provide one-time support to the private providers that received FY 2023 Cost-of-Living Adjustments (COLAs) – Districtwide (\$172,859.53)
Submitted by Mr. Christopher Badenhop

Mr. Cane motioned to add this item to the Board's consent Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting in January. Motion carried unanimously.

- F. Accept grant from The Office of Early Childhood to support any costs associated with providing early childhood care and education services from April 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024 – Districtwide (\$28,350.00)
Submitted by Mr. Christopher Badenhop | Funding Source: Infant and Toddler Expansion Grant

Mr. Cane motioned to add this item to the Board's consent Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting in January. Motion carried unanimously.

- G. Approve afterschool programming stipends to provide extracurricular activities to benefit students – Pulaski Middle School (\$40,000.00)
Submitted by Mr. Alex Ortiz | Funding Source: Commissioner's Network 23470531000151181

Mr. Cane motioned to add this item to the Board's consent Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting in January. Motion carried unanimously.

- H. Approve purchase order between CSDNB and Total Communications for replacement of phone system – Districtwide (\$1,320,814.02)
Submitted by Mr. Robert Smedley | Funding Source: ESSER

Mr. Cane motioned to add this item to the Board's consent Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting in January. Motion carried unanimously.

- I. Approve contract and purchase order between CSDNB and Yang's US Taekwondo to offer afterschool program – Smalley Elementary (\$15,000.00)
Submitted by Ms. Andrea Foligno | Funding Source: Commissioner Network 204 601210002-53200

Mr. Cane motioned to add this item to the Board's consent Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting in January. Motion carried unanimously.

- J. Approve purchase order between CSDNB and PowerSchool Group LLC, for the renewal of E-Collect add on – Districtwide (\$21,369.00)
Submitted by Mr. Jeff Prokop | Funding Source: MIS Local Software Budget 101092110000-53510

Mr. Cane motioned to add this item to the Board's consent Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting in January. Motion carried unanimously.

- K. Approve purchase order between CSDNB and PowerSchool Group, LLC for yearly renewal of licensing, cloud hosting, and registration services – Districtwide (\$143,126.25)
Submitted by Mr. Jeff Prokop | Funding Source: MI Local Software Budget 101092110000-53510

Mr. Cane motioned to add this item to the Board's consent Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting in January. Motion carried unanimously.

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- L. Approve purchase order between CSDNB and Dr. Szachowicz & Mr. McNulty to conduct a full day of interviews with District Leadership to support Future-Focused Academic Improvement Planning (\$9,000.00)
Submitted by Dr. Tony Gasper | Funding Source: ESSER

Mr. Cane motioned to add this item to the Board's consent Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting in January. Motion carried unanimously.

- M. Approve an Audit on Board Policies to be conducted by CABE (\$3,000)
Submitted by Mr. Joseph Listro

Mr. Cane motioned to add this item to the Board's consent Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting in January. Motion carried unanimously.

- N. Accept financial report – October 31, 2023 & November 30, 2023
Submitted by Ms. Ann Alfano

Mr. Cane motioned to add this item to the Board's consent Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting in January. Motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Gasper recommended that Mr. Tony Cane motion to add additional Items A through D to the Finance, Facilities and Transportation agenda.

Mr. Cane motioned to add additional Items A through D to the agenda, seconded by Ms. Parker. Motioned carried unanimously.

Additional Items

- A. Accept donation from the NBHS Band Boosters to fund a stipend position for a Color Guard Advisor – NBHS (\$2,500.00)
Submitted by Mr. Damon Pearce

Mr. Cane motioned to add this item to the Board's consent Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting in January. Motion carried unanimously.

- B. Approve contract and purchase order between CSDNB and The Modern Classroom Project to provide 50 full online mentorship subscriptions to teachers – Districtwide (\$72,500.00)
Submitted by Mr. Tyrone Richardson | Funding Source: ESSER 20639610002-53200

Mr. Cane motioned to add this item to the Board's consent Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting in January. Motion carried unanimously.

- C. Approve contract between CSDNB and New Britain Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Development to collaborate with after-school programming in the middle and elementary schools – Districtwide (\$112,000.00)
Submitted by Mayra Rodriguez | Funding Source: Extended School Hours State Grant Professional and Technical Services

Mr. Cane motioned to add this item to the Board's consent Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting in January. Motion carried unanimously.

- D. Approve contract and purchase order between CSDNB and Klinberg Family Centers to provide mental health services and "Love Wins" based interventions based on the needs of the students and families – Districtwide (\$90,000.00)
Submitted by Ms. Donna Clark | Funding Source: Title IV Grant 2019 969 10001 53340

Mr. Cane motioned to add this item to the Board's consent Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting in January. Motion carried unanimously.

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3. Closing and Adjournment

- A. Other Business as Permitted by Law
- B. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM