

Okemos Board of Education Okemos, Michigan 48864
SPECIAL MEETING AUGUST 12, 2024

The special meeting of the Okemos Board of Education was called to order by President Gebara at 5:30 p.m.

Members Present: Tom Buffett, Mary Gebara, Melanie Lynn, Andy Phelps and Jayme Taylor

Administration: Superintendent John Hood

Representatives from Veridas, TowerPinkster and Christman provided an update regarding the 2022 bond, including bid package #3B contract award recommendations. Representatives reviewed timelines and project schedule, the bid process, the scope of the bid package and the results of the bid process. They also described the post bid interview process.

Members inquired about the following: incomplete bids; and factors considered in the vetting process.

No one addressed the board.

MOVED by Tom Buffett, SUPPORTED by Melanie Lynn that the board approve the employment of Jodie Flynn, MLL Teacher at Hiawatha Elementary and Central Montessori; and Katie Keith, 5th Grade Teacher at Kinawa effective August 12, 2024 in accordance with sections 1230 (2) and 1230 a (2) of the Revised School Code conditioned upon receipt of acceptable criminal history checks and criminal records checks.

AYE: 5 NAY:0 ABSENT 2 **MOTION CARRIED**

MOVED by Melanie Lynn, SUPPORTED by Andy Phelps that the board adopt the Everyday Speech Social Emotional Learning Curriculum for use by K-4th grade students, beginning with the 2024-2025 school year and to be funded through ESSR grants.

AYE: 5 NAY:0 ABSENT 2 **MOTION CARRIED**

MOVED by Andy Phelps, SUPPORTED by Melanie Lynn that the board award contracts not to exceed \$7,074,575 for the trade contractors listed below and to assign those contracts to The Christman Company pursuant to the construction manager-as-constructor project delivery method: Choice Concrete Construction Inc.; Schiffer Mason Contractors, Inc.; Suburban Fabrication, LLC; CEI Michigan, LLC; Christman Constructors, Inc.; Professional Thermal Systems, Inc.; and Summit Contractors, Inc.

Roll Call Vote

Tom Buffett	Yes	Melanie Lynn	Yes
Katie Cavanaugh	---	Andrew Phelps	Yes
Mary Gebara	Yes	Jayme Taylor	Yes
Shulawn Doxie	---		

AYE: 5 NAY:0 ABSENT 2 **MOTION CARRIED**

Members discussed the board prioritization tool responses.

President Gebara adjourned the special meeting at 5:58 p.m.

Andy Phelps, Secretary