

The Special Meeting of the Township of Franklin Board of Education was called to order on the above date and time.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Stanley S. Evans, Jr., Board President, who made the following statement: "The chair declares that, in accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, adequate public notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with statute by the Secretary of the Board of Education."

CALL TO ORDER

The flag salute was held at this time.

FLAG SALUTE

The following members were present at roll call: Mrs. Tina M. Toy, Mr. Norman F. Merckx, Jr., Mrs. Kimberly H. Kelly, Mrs. Barbara Ciancaglini, Mrs. Sandra L. Coulbourn, Miss Marie J. Grochowski and Mr. Stanley S. Evans, Jr. Also present were Dr. Barbara Morella, Interim Superintendent, Mrs. Elizabeth A. DiPietro, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, and B. Michael Borelli, Esq., Board Solicitor.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Harold R. Atkinson, Jr., was absent at roll call but arrived at 4:13 p.m.

Mr. Glenn J. McCormick, Sr. was absent.

There were no names on the Attendance Register.

ATTENDANCE REGISTER

Mr. Evans moved, Miss Grochowski seconded a motion to go into closed session:

CLOSED SESSION

Resolution

WHEREAS, The Open Public Meetings Act permits a public body to exclude the public from a portion of its meeting in order to discuss certain specific matters as set forth in that act; and

WHEREAS, This body finds it necessary to meet in closed session to discuss Personnel, Attorney-Client Privilege; and

WHEREAS, Under the Open Public Meetings Act, the public may be excluded from that portion of the meeting at which such matters are discussed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this meeting of the Township of Franklin Board of Education held on August 8, 2007 shall be closed to the public to permit discussion of the subject matter aforesaid;

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that this session shall last for approximately thirty (30) minutes, and the disclosure of matters discussed in the closed session shall take place at such time as all decisions with reference thereto are complete.

Motion carried unanimously.

Session adjourned 4:11 p.m.

Return to session 4:40 p.m.

Mr. Evans moved, Miss Grochowski seconded a motion to accept the resignation of Jessica Schwartz, grade 3 teacher, Main Road School, effective August 30, 2007.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
RESIGNATION - GRADE 3
TEACHER

Motion carried unanimously by roll call.

Mr. Evans moved, Miss Grochowski seconded a motion to approve, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the approval of the N.J. Dept. of Education, the employment of Lindsey Albano as grade 3 teacher for the 2007–08 school year at a salary in accordance with the Township of Franklin Education Association Negotiated Agreement, salary guide BA, step 1.

EMPLOYMENT - GRADE 3
TEACHER

Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Mr. Evans moved, Miss Grochowski seconded a motion to approve the following resolution:

OTHER BUSINESS
CAROLINE L. REUTTER
SCHOOL ADDITION -
CONTRACTS

RESOLUTION
of the Township of Franklin
Board of Education, Gloucester County

WHEREAS, the Township of Franklin Board of Education advertised for bids for additions and renovations to the Caroline L. Reutter School on two (2) occasions, bids having been received on June 19, 2007 and on July 10, 2007; and

WHEREAS, on June 20, 2007 and July 18, 2007, respectfully, the bids were rejected as they were not reasonable as to price on the basis of cost estimates prepared for the Board prior to advertising; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution adopted on July 18, 2007, the Board authorized negotiations with each responsible bidder for the award of general construction, HVAC, plumbing, electrical and steel work for the Caroline L. Reutter School addition and renovation project pursuant to the terms of N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5c; and

WHEREAS, the Board has complied with all applicable provisions of 18A:18A-5 et seq.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Franklin Board of Education, Gloucester County, as follows:

1. The Board hereby authorizes entering into a Contract for additions and renovations to the Caroline L. Reutter School with the vendors and for the amounts as follows:

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| Straga Brothers, Inc. | \$ 686,500.00 |
| Southern NJ Steel | \$ 59,999.00 |
| CJ Schmidt & Sons, Inc. | \$ 62,300.00 |
| Driscoll Mechanical, LLC | \$ 217,000.00 |
| DEC Electrical Contractors, Inc. | \$ 128,800.00 |
| Total | \$1,154,599.00 |

2. Prior to authorizing this Contract, the Board determined that the same or equivalent goods or services, at a cost which is lower than the negotiated price, are not available from any agency or authority of the United States, the State of New Jersey or of the County in which the Board of Education is located or any municipality in close proximity to the Board of Education.

3. The terms, conditions, restrictions and specifications set forth in the Contract being awarded are not substantially different from those which were the subject of competitive bidding for this project pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4, with the exception of the minor amendments and modifications as set forth in Addendum No. 3, dated July 19, 2007, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

4. The price in the Contract being awarded is lower than the lowest rejected bid price submitted on the second occasion of advertising and bidding by a responsible bidder, is the lowest negotiated price offered by an responsible bidder, and is a reasonable price for the goods and services provided.

Adopted by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the authorized membership of the Township of Franklin Board of Education on the 8th day of August 2007.

Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Mr. Evans moved, Miss Grochowski seconded a motion to adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth A. DiPietro
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Typed by: jmp