Bethlehem Township School District

Edward Abato, Superintendent/Director of Curriculum

Bree Brace, Principal
Thomas B. Conley School

Kirby Hendershot
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Dr. Sally Klemm
Director of Special Services

Kristopher Boganski, Principal
Ethel Hoppock Middle School

January 22, 2026

EXTRACT OF MEETING MINUTES

Date of Meeting: January 21, 2026 **Call to order: 6:38 p.m.**

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Ms. Yasmina Ben Bouchta, Mr. Greg Glazar, Mr. Thomas Gregor, Ms. Erin Roop, Ms. Jennifer Seibert, Ms. Stephanie Yager and Mr. Daniel MacDonnell

District Administrators Present: Edward Abato - CSA and Kirby Hendershot - SBA/BS

XIII. FINANCE

Committee Members: Yasmina Ben Bouchta, Thomas Gregor, Jennifer Seibert

F. Approval of the Rejection of Bids and Re-Bid of Security Vestibule for Ethel Hoppock Middle School and Thomas B. Conley Elementary School

WHEREAS, the Bethlehem Township School District Board of Education (the "Board") advertised for bids for the Security Vestibule Construction project (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Public School Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq. (the "Contracts Law"), provides that the Board must award bids to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for goods or services in excess of the bid threshold, as is defined in the Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, the Board received and publicly opened five bids in connection with the Project; and

WHEREAS, the bids were reviewed by the School Business Administrator and appropriate staff and professionals to determine whether they were both responsive and responsible; and

WHEREAS, after reviewing the bids, it was determined that the bids substantially exceeded the Board's cost estimates and appropriation for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Contracts Law provides that a board of education may reject all bids in certain situations, including where the lowest responsive bid received substantially exceeded the Board's cost estimates and appropriation for the Project.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board as follows:

Section 1. The bids received for the Project are hereby rejected because they substantially exceeded the cost estimates and appropriations for the Project.

Section 2. The specifications for the Project shall be reviewed by the School Business Administrator and

appropriate staff and professionals to determine whether modifications and/or revisions to the Project specifications, if any, should be made so that the Project can be rebid.
Section 3. The Board hereby directs the School Business Administrator to advertise the Project for rebid as soon as possible.

Motion by Mr. Gregor, seconded by Mr. Glazar to approve Finance items A-H. On a roll call vote, item A-H were approved as follows: 7-0-0 (aye Ben Bouchta, Glazar, Gregor, Roop (Abstain from E), Seibert ,Yager, MacDonnell)

The foregoing information is a true copy of the official records of the Bethlehem Township Board of Education having been extracted and compared to the original minutes by me.

Kirby Hendershot

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