

Howard Gardner MI Charter School Special Public Board Meeting – Held Remotely

Wednesday, September 23, 2020

The Howard Gardner MI Charter School (HGMICS) held a Special Public Board of Trustees meeting via ZOOM on Wednesday, September 23, 2020. Dr. Susan Trussler, President called the special meeting to order at 5:34 PM and then subsequently presided over the meeting. Dr. Trussler led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance and then took roll call for the board members and non-voting members.

The following Trustees attended: Dr. Susan Trussler, Laila Kane, Stephanie Westington, Laurie Cadden, Dr. Clarence Lamanna, Aaron Nivert, Dr. Fran Langan and Dr. John Ruddy. Absent from the meeting: John Ezbiansky, Sam Ceccacci, Susan Hennemuth, and Dr. John Ruddy.

Also, in attendance: Dr. Marie George, CEO; TreeAnne McEnery, Principal; Chuck Wallinger, Business Manager; Joe Ross, Director of Facilities and Security, Janet Kania, School Secretary, and Joshua Pollack, Esq., Solicitor.

Dr. Susan Trussler welcomed visitors and asked if any visitor had comments regarding September Special Public Board Meeting agenda items. At this time, the visitors virtually in attendance had no comments or questions regarding the agenda. The meeting proceeded.

I. Update on HGMICS Construction Project

Dr. Marie George

Dr. Susan Trussler informed everyone that this Special Public Board Meeting was to present updates on HGMICS' construction project for the building addition. At this time Dr. Trussler turned the meeting over to Dr. George. Dr. George presented an overview of the value engineering process that now needs to involve the four low bid prime contractors. Therefore, the Board has agreed to move forward with an agreement for each contractor with a provision that the School's financial target must be met before the project can proceed. This special meeting is for the purpose of presenting those resolutions prepared by the School Solicitor, Joshua Pollack, Esq. of the McKenna Snyder LLC law firm.

II. Resolutions for 4 Prime Contractors

Joshua Pollack

A. General Trades: Mar-Paul Construction Company

Joshua Pollack, Esq.; Solicitor began by reading the Resolution for the General Trades to be awarded to Mar-Paul Construction Company, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the general trades work with stipulations as set forth, and to authorize the CEO to direct and execute needed documents. With no further discussion a **MOTION** to approve the General Trades: Mar-Paul Construction Company Resolution was made by Dr. Clarence Lamanna and seconded by Laurie Cadden. At this time, all Trustees present voted in favor of approving the General Trades: Mar-Paul Construction Company Resolution as submitted, with four Trustees absent.

B. HVAC: Scranton Electric Heating and Cooling

Joshua Pollack, Esq.; Solicitor began by reading the Resolution for the HVAC to be awarded to Scranton Electric Heating and Cooling, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the HVAC work with the same stipulations set forth in the previous General Trades Resolution, and to authorize the CEO to direct and execute needed documents. With no further discussion a **MOTION** to approve the HVAC: Scranton Electric Heating and Cooling Resolution was made by Stephanie Westington and seconded by Laila Kane. At this time, all Trustees present voted in favor of approving the HVAC: Scranton Electric Heating and Cooling Resolution as submitted, with four Trustees absent.

At this time, Susan Hennemuth has joined the Special Board of Trustees meeting.

C. Plumbing: Scranton Electric Heating and Cooling

Joshua Pollack, Esq.; Solicitor began by reading the Resolution for the Plumbing to be awarded to Scranton Electric Heating and Cooling, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the plumbing work, with the same stipulations as set forth in the previous General Trades and HVAC Resolutions, and to authorize the CEO to direct and execute needed documents. With no further discussion a **MOTION** to approve the Plumbing: Scranton Electric Heating and Cooling Resolution was made by Laurie Cadden and seconded by Dr. Fran Langan. At this time, all Trustees present voted in favor of approving the Plumbing: Scranton Electric Heating and Cooling Resolution as submitted, with three Trustees absent.

D. Electrical: Joyce Electrical, Inc.

Joshua Pollack, Esq., Solicitor began by reading the full Resolution for the Electrical to be awarded to Joyce Electrical, Inc., the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the electrical work, with the same stipulations as set forth in the previous General Trades, HVAC, and Plumbing Resolutions, and to authorize the CEO to direct and execute needed documents. With no further discussion a **MOTION** to approve the Electrical: Joyce Electrical, Inc. Resolution was made by Aaron Nivert and seconded by Stephanie Westington. At this time, all Trustees present voted in favor of approving the Electrical: Joyce Electrical, Inc. Resolution as submitted, with three Trustees absent.

III. New Business

Dr. Susan Trussler.

At this time, Dr. Trussler thanked everyone for attending the Special meeting of the Board of Trustees. Dr. Trussler asked if there was any new business to be brought forth. Without hearing any Dr. Trussler adjourned the meeting.

Adjournment

Dr. Trussler adjourned the meeting at 5:52PM. Adjournment was accepted by all Board of Trustees present, with three Trustees absent. The next virtual HGMICS Public Board meeting is scheduled on **Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at 7:00 PM.**