

Providence School Department  
797 Westminster Street, Providence, RI 02903

**Finance Committee Meeting**

Wednesday, October 11, 2023 (5:30pm)

**Minutes**

**1.0 Convene Meeting:**

1.1 Call to Order- Meeting called to order by Muyideen Ibiyemi 5:38PM

Board Members: Muyideen Ibiyemi; Toni Akin; Ty'Relle Stephens Present

In Attendance: Sandra Stuart; Jennifer Connolly; Christopher Petisce; James Scott; Zachary Scott; Scott Sutherland; Thomas Morgan; Cindy Townsend; Richard Parillo; Dr. Jackson Reilly; Superintendent Montanez

**2.0 Approve Agenda:**

2.1 Approval of Agenda

Recommendation to approve agenda as presented

**Moved by Toni Akin, seconded Ty'Relle Stephens by (3-0) Muyideen Ibiyemi**

**3.0 Consent Agenda**

3.1 Approval of Minutes- September 13, 2023

Recommendation to approve minutes as presented

**Moved by Toni Akin, seconded by Ty'Relle Stephens (3-0) Muyideen Ibiyemi**

**4.0 Report on Contracts**

4.1 **Edmark Reading Program: Special Educational Reading Program**

Jennifer Connolly; Sandra Stuart presented for the amendment of Edmark Reading Program that is a special education reading program for elementary special education classrooms throughout the school district. This contract was originally presented at the July 12<sup>th</sup> Finance meeting. The amendment to this contract is relative to the increase of inflated shipping fees. Committee is requesting an invoice from the vendor with the explanation of charges. Questions were raised on the shipping prices. Christopher Petisce is to provide the information and amend the contract for the allotted charges. All requests are to be submitted to the committee before the next school board meeting on October 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Moved by Ty'Relle Stephens, seconded by Toni Akin (3-0) Muyideen Ibiyemi**

4.2 **Children's Youth Cabinet (CYC): SEL & Mental Health Services**

Sandra Stuart presented for the extension of this contract for sel & mental health services for school based social-emotional and mental health at identified

neighborhoods/ schools. Funded by the school based mental health grant. CYC representatives spoke on behalf of the program. Questions asked by committee members

**Moved by Toni Akin, seconded by Ty'Relle Stephens (3-0) Muyideen Ibiyemi**

**4.3 Yondr Inc.: Yondr pouch program**

Richard Parillo; Cindy Townsend; and Scott Sutherland presented for the extension of the yondr contract. This pouch program was originally started at (N. Green Middle School) Dr. Jackson Reilly, Principal spoke on his experiences with this program in his school. The amendment is to ensure the purchase of 3,559 pouches for students and 300 additional pouches for staff members. Additional costs to include (2) high schools and implementation of all site visits for launch, accessories and replacement of pouches as needed. Other schools within the district have asked to be included in the program. Questions asked from committee members. Finance is to help reconfigure a better finance summary form.

**Moved by Ty'Relle Stephens, seconded Toni Akin (3-0) Muyideen Ibiyemi**

**5.0 Adjourn**

**5.1 Adjourn Meeting- Meeting adjourned 6:28 PM**

**Moved, Toni Akin seconded by Ty'Relle Stephens (3-0) Muyideen Ibiyemi**

**\*\*Next School Board Meeting October 18, 2023\*\***