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Distressed Unit Appeal Board Meeting Memorandum

Thursday, January 26, 2023

Call to Order: A meeting of the Distressed Unit Appeals Board (“DUAB” or “Board”) was held January 26, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. EST at the Indiana Government Center South Building, Conference Rooms 1 and 2, 302 W. Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204. Members of the Board attending the meeting in-person include Chairman Justin McAdam, Tracy Brown, Paul Joyce, and Senator Eddie Melton. Rebecca Kubacki participated virtually. Peter Miller, Executive Director, was also in attendance.

Chairman McAdam called the meeting to order and recognized compliance with the Open Door Law.

Chairman McAdam introduced agenda item **3 – Approval of Minutes.**

Mr. Joyce made a motion the minutes be approved as presented. Ms. Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed (4-0).

Chairman McAdam introduced agenda item **4 – Public Comment.**

- Mrs. Lovetta Tindal expressed concerns over the busses, attendance, the career center, bathrooms, and academics.
- Ms. Tracy Coleman expressed concerns over yearbooks. Curriculum, attendance, busses, menus, graduation rates, bathrooms, special education, ESL, STEM and arts, property sales, DUAB meeting locations, referendum ambassadors and funds. She stated that MGT needs to go.

Chairman McAdam introduced agenda item **5 – Gary Community School Corporation School Operations Update.**

Dr. Paige McNulty presented updates on classroom furniture, prom, school calendar, social studies textbook, adoption, and STEM a certification walk through. Chairman McAdam asked for more information on GCSC’s busses and service. Sen. Melton asked if the current administration will leave a roadmap for the new administration once determined by the legislature. Chairman McAdam asked which schools are being considered for STEM certification. Ms. Bradley answered they are Glen Park and Beverage.

Chairman McAdam introduced agenda item **6 – GCSC Academic Update.**

Mr. Andre Wright and Ms. Kimberly Bradley presented the update. Chairman McAdam requested they present certain testing data at the next meeting. Sen. Melton asked about behavioral issues disrupting class and mental health services.

Chairman McAdam introduced agenda item **7 – GCSC Financial Update.**

Ms. Nicole Wolverton presented the update. Sen. Melton asked if GCSC has a cash reserve yet and follow-up questions. Mr. Joyce made a motion the School Improvement Plan and 1065 Claims Docket be approved. Ms. Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed (4-0).

Chairman McAdam introduced agenda item **8 – Authorization by the DUAB Executive Director.**

Mr. Miller presented the contracts.

- *Mechanical Concepts* – Beveridge HVAC
- *Trafera* – Chromebooks Warranty

Chairman McAdam introduced agenda item **9 – Consideration of GCSC Contractual Obligations.**

Mr. Nathan Williamson Presented the contracts.

- *Mechanical Concepts* – Chillers
- *Tri-Electronics* and *Athena* – Security Detection Systems

Ms. Brown asked if this contract has received DOE approval and Mr. Williamson confirmed that it had.

- *Scholastic Education* – Classroom Libraries

Mr. Joyce made a motion the contracts be approved as presented. Ms. Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed (4-0).

Chairman McAdam asked if there was any new business to come before the board. Sen. Melton asked follow-up questions on 1065, ESSER, and ARPA funds, and encouraged the community to review his proposed bill dealing with GCSC, SB 436.

Chairman McAdam adjourned the meeting.