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**TO:** Jackson Township Board of Education  
**FROM:** *NICOLE PORMILLI, SUPERINTENDENT*  
**SUBJECT:** November 20, 2024 Agenda Addendum  
**DATE:** November 19, 2024

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**FINANCE**

**ADD** Motion #9

The Board of Education approves the following Resolution for Electric Supply Service:

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH EDF ENERGY SERVICES, LLC  
FOR ELECTRIC SUPPLY SERVICE  
FOR A PERIOD OF TWELVE (12)-MONTHS BEGINNING December 1, 2024**

**WHEREAS**, the Jackson Township Board of Education has chosen to avail itself of energy consulting and management services provided by TFS Energy Solutions, LLC d/b/a Tradition Energy, pursuant to Contract 2018-017 procured through the City of Mesquite's OMNIA Partners, Public Sector, f/k/a/ U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance Request, which is a nationally-recognized purchasing cooperative; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2(b)(3), the Board of Education is authorized to enter into purchases through a nationally-recognized cooperative, provided the Board determines that the use of same "shall result in cost savings after all factors, including charges for service, material, and delivery, have been considered"; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act (P.L. 1999, Chapter 23), Tradition Energy sought competitive pricing in the marketplace for electric supply service for the District accounts shown on Attachment A; and

**WHEREAS**, Tradition Energy utilized its online pricing system to perform an indicative Request for Proposals for preliminary bid prices on September 30, 2024 from Tier 1 electricity suppliers that serve Jersey Central Power and Light ("JCP&L") for the District accounts served by JCP&L; and

**WHEREAS**, Tradition Energy obtained pricing for three potential contract terms – 12 months, 24 months, 36 months; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board determined that the pricing available through the national cooperative is not lower than the pricing available to the Board of Education outside the national cooperative program except, because of different pricing structures, for Liberty High School and Goetz Middle School; and

**WHEREAS**, procuring electric supply service through the national cooperative will result in cost savings after all factors, including charges for service, material, and delivery, have been considered; and

**WHEREAS**, Tradition Energy received updated bid prices on November 18 2024 for one (1) contract term of twelve (12) months for Liberty High School and Goetz Middle School; and

**WHEREAS**, Smartest Energy, LLC provided the lowest responsible bid for fully-fixed capacity pricing for electric supply service for the aforementioned accounts for a period of twelve (12)-months, pursuant to the draft agreement attached hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated by reference ("Agreement"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Board determines it to be in its best interests to enter into the Agreement for its Accounts with Smartest Energy, LLC for electric supply, for a period of twelve (12) months, beginning on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, the estimated cost for electric supply during the twelve (12) month term of the contract is for a rate of 0.0966 per kWh (\$245,209 est.) with a "strike price" between .0980 (\$248,659 est.) and .0952 (\$241,555 est.) in case the market changes between November 18, 2024 and November 20, 2024;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education hereby awards a contract to Smartest Energy, LLC for electric supply service with fully-fixed capacity pricing for a period of twelve (12)-months beginning December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024, consistent with the foregoing.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Board President and/or Business Administrator are hereby authorized to execute a contract with Smartest Energy, LLC, subject to the final review and approval by the Board Attorney.

**FINANCE (continued):**

**ADD** Motion #10

The Board of Education approves the generous donation of the following teacher grants from the Jackson Education Foundation:

- a. \$250.00 ShopRite Gift Card Grant to Jackson Liberty High School Teachers Linda Lackay and Jamie Zenerovitz for the JLHS Foods Classes Cupcake Wars;
- b. \$250.00 Grant to Jackson Memorial High School Biology Teacher Gary Antonelli for Aquaponics Growing and Seed Band Establishment for AP Biology, Honors Biology and OTG/EcoAction Club;
- c. \$500.00 Grant to Crawford-Rodriguez Elementary School Teachers Kerry Jankowski and Kevin Maher for a Classroom Government program at Crawford-Rodriguez.

**PROGRAMS**

**ADD** Motion #15

The Board of Education approves the application and acceptance, if awarded, for the “Mental Health Screening in Schools” grant in the amount of \$74,735.00 for the period of January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025.

**PERSONNEL**

Motions #4 – Substitutes for Co-Curricular, etc.

**ADD**

- b. Crynsinthea Zikeli, Co-Curricular
- c. Ashley Scellato, Co-Curricular

Motion ##6 – Resignations

**RESCIND/DELETE**

- b. ~~Jill Villecco, Reading Specialist/Elms, effective December 20, 2024 or sooner.~~

**ADD**

- h. Raymond Milewski, Director of Security/District, effective February 1, 2025.
- i. Kyle Torres, Driver-Transportation/District, effective December 4, 2024
- j. Victoria Palmeri, Lunchroom Aide/JMHS, effective November 4, 2024.
- k. Dr. Michael Raymond, Principal/Switlik, effective January 21, 2025.

Motion #7 – Leave of Absences

**ADD**

- t. Elaine Westgate, Driver-Transportation/District, paid Sick Leave of Absence, effective October 21, 2024 through November 27, 2024, returning December 2, 2024.

Motion #7 – Leave of Absences

**ADD**

- u. Gail Wojtaszek, Lunchroom Aide/JMHS, paid Medical Leave of Absence, effective September 27, 2024 through October 30, 2024; unpaid Medical Leave of Absence, effective October 31, 2024 through November 25, 2024, returning November 26, 2024.
- v. Arleen Angert, Paraprofessional/Goetz, revised paid Medical Leave of Absence, effective September 5, 2024 through half day December 9, 2024; unpaid Federal Medical Leave of Absence, effective half day December 9, 2024 through December 13, 2024, returning December 16, 2024.
- w. Phyllis Piscioti, Paraprofessional/Goetz, paid Medical Leave of Absence, effective November 4, 2024 through December 4, 2024; unpaid Federal Family Medical Leave of Absence, effective December 5, 2024 through TBD.
- x. Leslie Seich, Secretary-COSA/JLHS, paid Medical Leave of Absence, effective November 14, 2024 through TBD.
- y. Rebecca Zehnder, Speech Language Specialist/Crawford-Rodriguez, paid Medical Leave of Absence, effective June 3, 2024 through June 30, 2024; unpaid Federal and NJ Family Leave of Absence, effective September 1, 2024 through December 3, 2024; unpaid Child Care Leave of Absence, effective December 4, 2024 through December 18, 2024; paid Leave of Absence (using personal days), effective December 19, 2024 through December 20, 2024, returning January 2, 2025.

**PERSONNEL** (continued):

Motion #8 – Contract Adjustments

**ADD**

- d. Paul Sult, Maintenance Worker/District, leave of absence stipend, increase salary to include tradesman electrician stipend, effective November 20, 2024 through June 30, 2025.
- e. Anja Melazzo, Receptionist-AM/JMHS, 4 hours per day, adjust salary to correct step, effective September 1, 2024 through December 20, 2024.
- f. Kerri Crowley, Receptionist-PM/JMHS, 4 hours per day, adjust salary to correct step, effective September 1, 2024 through December 20, 2024.

**ADD** Motion #10

The Board of Education approves the following personnel to work as Security - Outside Events for the 2024-2025 school year:

- a. Scott Brooks
- b. James Canfield
- c. Michael Crisanti
- d. Jeff Coakley
- e. Paul Dreher
- f. Sandra Gessner
- g. John Grahill
- h. Darione Hassell
- i. Frank Kus
- j. Nicholas Lanier
- k. Valerie Mader
- l. John Pejoski
- m. Gerald Ravaoli
- n. Andrew Tkach

Motion #14 – Transfers

**ADD**

- h. Jennifer Carney, transfer from Supervisor-Secondary Special Education/District to Acting Director-Special Services/District, replacing Teresa Taylor, effective January 2, 2025 through June 30, 2025.

Motion #15 – Employments

**DELETE**

- a. ~~Maria Corona, Van Aide-Transportation/District, 5 hours and 45 minutes per day, replacing Dominick Ajamian, effective November 21, 2024, pending fingerprints through June 30, 2025.~~

**ADD**

- n. Christina Patterson, Van Aide-Transportation/District, 5 hours and 45 minutes per day, replacing Dominick Ajamian, effective November 21, 2024, pending fingerprints through June 30, 2025.
- o. Samantha Adem, Special Education Teacher/Elms, replacing Marybeth Neill, effective January 2, 2025 through June 30, 2025.
- p. Stephanie Gonzalez, Special Education Teacher/Elms, replacing Samantha Louth, effective December 18, 2024 or sooner through June 30, 2025.
- q. Matthew Rubino, Special Education Teacher-MD/Elms, replacing Melissa Fisher, effective December 16, 2024, pending fingerprints through June 30, 2025.

Motion #18 – Co-Curricular Advisor Adjustments

c. New Hires:

**ADD**

- j. Gretchen Sharp, Math League Co-Advisor/JMHS, replacing Kathleen Bunce, shared position with Anthony Porzio, effective 2024-2025 school year.
- k. Anthony Porzio, Math League Co-Advisor/JMHS, replacing Kathleen Bunce, shared position with Gretchen Sharp, effective 2024-2025 school year.

**PERSONNEL** (continued):

**ADD** Motion #25

The Board of Education approves the following volunteer co-curricular club advisors for the 2024-2025 school year:

- a. Ashley Scellaro, Volunteer Musical Choreographer/McAuliffe
- b. Crysinthea Zikeli, Volunteer Marching Band/JMHS

**ADD** Motion #26

The Board of Education approves the Memorandum of Agreement between the Jackson Township Board of Education and the Teamsters Local 97 Maintenance and Tradesmen, terms of the agreement shall be for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027.