

# CLIFFSIDE PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION

## WORK SESSION MEETING

DECEMBER 14, 2022

The Work Session Meeting of the Cliffside Park Board of Education was held on Wednesday, December 14, 2022 in the Council Chambers located on the third floor of the Municipal Complex, 525 Palisade Avenue, Cliffside Park, New Jersey 07010 at 7:00 p.m. with the Board Secretary presiding.

The assemblage saluted the flag

ROLL CALL	Present:	Mrs. Abreu, Mr. Capano, Mrs. Frato, Mr. Garciga, Mr. Ndreu, Dr. Pantoliano, Mr. Russo, Mr. Shelley, Mr. Tarabokija
	Absent:	Mr. Yannuzzi

Mr. Michael J. Romagnino, Superintendent of Schools, was in attendance.

Board Secretary read the following statement:

“The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the rights of the public to have advanced notice of and to attend the meeting of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provision of this act the Cliffside Park Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted in the offices of the Borough Clerk, the Borough Library, the Borough Recreation Department, the office of the Board of Education, and the offices of Schools Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6, and the High School on August 16, 2022 and notices were forwarded to reporters of The Record on August 16, 2022. This is an official meeting.”

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The Board unanimously approved by voice vote to adjourn the Work Session Meeting at 8:00p.m.

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Louis Alfano, Business Administration/Board  
Secretary

## POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

### A Resolution Requesting Sustainable Funding Supporting School Based Mentoring Programs

**WHEREAS**, the Cliffside Park Board of Education recognizes according to youth.gov, mentoring has been known to increase high school graduation rates, lower high school dropout rates and promote an overall better attitude toward attending school; and

**WHEREAS**, mentoring helps create healthier relationships and lifestyle choices for students; and

**WHEREAS**, mentoring can enhance self-esteem and self-confidence; and

**WHEREAS**, mentoring has been known to improve behavior both at home and in school; and

**WHEREAS**, mentoring builds stronger relationships with parents, teachers, and peers through improved interpersonal skills; and

**WHEREAS**, mentoring decreases the likelihood of drug and alcohol use; and

**WHEREAS**, a school-based mentoring program advances the family/school connection while instilling a sense of student belonging to the school community; and

**WHEREAS**, school-based mentors additionally serve as liaisons between families and schools; and

**WHEREAS**, On August 1, 2022, Governor Phil Murphy signed into legislation, P.L. 2022, c. 83 (SCS for S2765 and ACS for A4075) requiring the establishment of threat assessment teams in public schools and supplementing chapter 17 of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes and grounded in research, threat assessment is recognized as the current best practice for preventing targeted school-based violence and one component of developing intervention options is to identify resources for creating individualized intervention plans and mentors can be a crucial resource of these plans that have the potential to prevent school-based violence; and

**WHEREAS**, mentoring advances social emotional learning in students, which can have a profound impact on the safety and security of not only the school community but the greater community at large;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Cliffside Park Board of Education affirms the positive effects of mentoring on students, physically, intellectually, emotionally, and socially; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Cliffside Park Board of Education respectfully requests sustainable funding to further mentoring programs in public schools so that more students can benefit from the positive outcomes.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the members of the 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th and 40th Legislative District Delegations, Assembly Speaker Craig J. Coughlin, Senate President Nick Scutari, Governor Phil Murphy, and to the New Jersey School Boards Association.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**AYES: 9**

**NAYS: 0**

**ABSTENTIONS: 0**

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the within Resolution was adopted by the Cliffside Park Board of Education by a majority vote at its meeting on December 14, 2022.

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LOUIS ALFANO  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Dated: December 15, 2022

**RESOLUTION**

Resolution recommended by the Superintendent of Schools to approve the National Purchasing Cooperative called TIPS-USA.

National Purchasing Cooperative Contract #211001, expiring on January 31, 2024; and National Purchasing Cooperative Contract #210205, expiring on April 30, 2023, for vendor C&M Door Controls Inc., 20 Markley Street, Port Reading, NJ 07064, WEB-SITE: [www.cmdoorcontrols.com](http://www.cmdoorcontrols.com);

For replacement of Stair Tower Security Doors at School #3, School #4, and School #6. C&M Door Controls Inc. is expected to engage the project in the Spring/Summer 2023.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

<b>AYES:</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>NAYS:</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>ABSTENTIONS:</b>	<b>0</b>

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the within Resolution was adopted by the Cliffside Park Board of Education by a majority vote at its duly authorized meeting on December 14, 2022.

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LOUIS ALFANO

Board Secretary/Business Administrator

Dated: December 15, 2022

**RESOLUTION**

Resolution recommended by the Superintendent of Schools to approve the transfer of \$300,000 **from** account #: 12-000-400-450-06-00-2223, Construction Services; **to** account #: 12-000-400-334-00-00-2223, Architect/Engineering Services.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

<b>AYES:</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>NAYS:</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>ABSTENTIONS:</b>	<b>0</b>

**CERTIFICATION**

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LOUIS ALFANO

Board Secretary/Business Administrator

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**December 14, 2022 Work Session – NOTES:**

**The following items were discussed:**

Work Session Agenda Resolutions were APPROVED.

FY22 AUDIT-CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN-SEE ATTACHED.

SDA/NJDOE – FY23 Emergent and Capital Maintenance Needs – CP Allocation: \$73,648 –  
SEE ATACHED.

National COOPERATIVE – TIPS-USA: Stair Tower Door Project (CM Doors): schools #3, #4,  
#6 – SEE ATTACHED.

LAN Proposals (Revised) for Various CAPITAL Projects (refer to 12/11/22 email):

Gym Lobby Renovation – HS

Masonry/Brick - #6

Roof Top Units - #6

Stair Tower Doors - #3, #4, #6