

WARREN COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION
1500 ROUTE 57 ~ WASHINGTON, NJ 07882
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
April 3, 2013

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Shotwell called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. on Wednesday, April 3, 2013 at the Warren County Freeholder Meeting Room, 165 County Route 519 South, Belvidere, New Jersey 07823.

A. Flag Salute –Vice President Johnson-Demeter

B. Opening Statement – Vice President Johnson-Demeter

Pursuant to the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq, the Board Secretary caused notice of this meeting to be given to the public and the press on March 14, 2013.

C. Roll Call – Board Secretary Zalewski

Present: Ellen Johnson-Demeter, Rob Roschewsk, Gus Rutledge
Absent: Rosalie Lamonte and David Shotwell
Also Present: Robert Glowacky, Chief School Administrator
Edmund Zalewski, Board Secretary
Bruce Jones, Attorney

D Adopt the Meeting Agenda

Resolution 11246-13: Adopt the Meeting Agenda

On the motion of Mr. Rutledge, seconded by Mr. Roschewsk, RESOLVED, that this Board adopts the Special Meeting Agenda for the April 3, 2013 meeting as published with any addenda.

VOICE VOTE: YEAS: 3 ABSENT: Dr. Lamonte, Mr. Shotwell **MOTION CARRIED**

Resolution E497-13: Personnel, Negotiations and Legal Matters

On the motion of Mr. Rutledge, seconded by Mr. Roschewsk, the Board moved into executive session at 6:45p.m. by adopting the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Warren County Technical School as follows:

- That the public be excluded from the attendance at a portion of this meeting for the reason that the following subject matter be discussed
 - **Discuss bid proposals received for Cafeteria Expansion project**
- B. The Board may exclude the public from the meeting pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, B3 & B8 of the Open Public Meetings Act.
- C. The matters discussed will be revealed to the public when the Board determines that such would not invade any right of privacy.
- D. Action may be taken.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: 3 ABSENT: Dr. Lamonte, Mr. Shotwell **MOTION CARRIED**

Resolution E498-13: Resume Regular Session

On the motion of Mr. Rutledge, seconded by Mr. Roschewsk, the Board reconvened into regular session at 7:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: 3 ABSENT: Dr. Lamonte, Mr. Shotwell **MOTION CARRIED**

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Resolution 11247-13: **Accepts Bids for the Cafeteria Expansion Project**

On the motion of Mr. Rutledge, seconded by Mr. Roschewsk, RESOLVED, that this Board accepts the following bids for the Cafeteria Expansion Project:

COMPANY	BASE BID 1 OVERALL LUMP SUM BID	ALTERNATE BID A TOILET ROOM AT LIBRARY	ALTERNATE BID B CLERESTORY WINDOWS	ALTERNATE BID C WINDOW WALL REPLACEMENT	ALTERNATE BID D WINDOW REPLACEMENT	ALTERNATE BID E TOILET ROOM RENOVATIONS	Total Without Alt Bid A
ICS Builders	\$988,000	\$35,000	\$20,000	\$30,000	\$34,000	\$116,000	\$1,188,000
TQM Construction	\$1,027,800	\$41,600	\$18,000	\$30,000	\$31,000	\$142,000	\$1,292,400
Coopersmith Bros. Inc.	\$1,342,000	\$48,000	\$15,000	\$34,000	\$26,000	\$142,000	\$1,607,000
Charles Mann Contractors	\$1,467,000	\$44,490	\$8,240	\$38,000	\$34,800	\$115,600	\$1,708,730
Desapio Construction	\$1,576,700	\$61,000	\$24,200	\$37,580	\$34,380	\$152,500	\$1,886,360

(Recommended by the Chief School Administrator)

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: 3

ABSENT: Dr. Lamonte, Mr. Shotwell

MOTION CARRIED

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Resolution 11248-13: **Award the Cafeteria Expansion Project to Coopersmith Bros. Inc. and Alternates as Identified Below**

On the motion of Mr. Rutledge, seconded by Mr. Roschewsk, RESOLVED, that this Board awards the Cafeteria Expansion Bid and the listed alternates excluding Alternate E to Coopersmith Bros. Inc. pending Board Attorney review and approval. Please see the additional information below for the explanation of the recommendation.

Coopersmith Brothers, Inc.
11 North Fourth Street, Box 391
Phillipsburg, New Jersey 08865

Base Bid 1	Overall Lump Sum Bid	\$1,342,000
Alt. Bid A	Toilet Room at Library – to be paid for by Library	\$48,000
Alt. Bid B	Clerestory Window Glazing	\$15,000
Alt. Bid C	Corridor / Cafeteria Window Replacement	\$34,000
Alt. Bid D	Corridor / Courtyard Window Replacement	\$26,000
Total of Award		\$1,465,000

(Recommended by the Chief School Administrator)

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: 3

ABSENT: Dr. Lamonte, Mr. Shotwell

MOTION CARRIED

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

After initial review of the proposals it appears the two lowest bidders need to be rejected.

At the time of bidding, the apparent low bid (base bid plus alternate bids) was submitted by **ICS Builders, Inc.**, of New York, NY, in the total combined amount of \$1,188,000. After a review of the paperwork and documentation submitted by this contractor, it was discovered that they did not include a listing of or any paperwork for, the six subcontractors as required by the bidding documents. The second low bid was submitted by **TQM Construction Corporation**, of Hamburg, NJ, in the total combined amount of \$1,250,800. A review of this contractor's paperwork revealed a lack of inclusion of an asbestos abatement subcontractor, as well as a lack of an Uncompleted Contracts Affidavit for their sprinkler subcontractor.

The third low bid was submitted by **Coopersmith Brothers, Inc.**, of Phillipsburg, NJ, in the total combined amount of \$1,559,000. A review of this contractor's paperwork did not reveal any apparent issues that we would expect to be deemed as material or non-waivable.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn the Meeting

On the motion of Mr. Rutledge, seconded by Mr. Roschewsk, the Board adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

VOICE VOTE: YEAS: 3

ABSENT: Dr. Lamonte, Mr. Shotwell

MOTION CARRIED

Upcoming Dates of Interest:

April 17th BOE meeting 5:00 p.m. Executive Session 5:30 p.m. Regular Session

Respectfully submitted,

Edmund Zalewski