

ACTIONS
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
JANUARY 12, 2021 - 7:00 P.M.
LINCOLN CENTER HEARING ROOM

ONE MEETING AGENDA

PRESENT: Mayor Moran, Directors Dougan and Conyers, General Manager Shanley and Deputy General Manager Stephanou.

REMOTE: Deputy Mayor Jones, Secretary Castillo, Directors Bergin, Floyd-Cranford, Marois and Schain, and Assistant Town Attorney Sullivan.

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. All in attendance participated in The Pledge of Allegiance to The Flag, led by Mayor Moran.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING.

- #1-21 A. Actions, December 8, 2020 – Regular Meeting
#2-21 B. Minutes, December 8, 2020 – Regular Meeting

Castillo/Floyd-Cranford

9 Voted in Favor

- #3-21 **APPROVED** - Motion to take a brief recess at 9:00 p.m.

Jones/Conyers

9 Voted in Favor

Mayor Moran called the meeting to order at 9:30 p.m.

9. CONSENT CALENDAR. (Items 8C, 12E and 12H added)

8A.Appropriations to Special Projects as follows:

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| #4-21 | 1. Public Safety – East Central Narcotics Task Force | \$8,500 |
| | to support task force operational needs for equipment, training or to facilitate continuing narcotics investigations to be financed by the annual contribution from Glastonbury. | |
| #5-21 | 2. Police Donations Revenue Account – Youth Services Program | \$500 |
| | to be funded by a donation from First Korean Presbyterian Church which is gratefully acknowledged and accepted. | |
| #6-21 | 3. Vacant Building Account..... | \$45,500 |
| | to be funded by a court order and judgment from a blight case involving property located at 20 Bank Street. | |
| #7-21 | 4. Health Department - Public Health Emergency Preparedness
Special Grant (7/1/20 to 6/30/21) | \$37,560 |
| | to be financed by a grant from the State of Connecticut, Department of Public Health. | |
| #8-21 | 5. COVID Response - Fund 221 | \$915,941 |
| | to be funded by a grant from the State of Connecticut Coronavirus Relief Fund through Federal CARES funding. | |

B. Appropriations to Education Special Projects as follows:

- #9-21 1. National School Lunch Program School Equipment Grant (FY 20/22) \$18,293
to be funded by the Agricultural Appropriations Act for equipment grants to eligible school food authorities.
- #10-21 2. Title III, Part A, English Language Acquisition and Language Enhancement Grant (FY 2020-2022)..... \$59,834
to be funded by the State Department of Education to provide support to limited English proficient students.
- #11-21 3. Nellie Mae Black Lives Matter for Black Educators Grant (FY 20/21) \$30,000
for development of informative virtual modules that will be co-designed and presented by students and educators.
- #12-21 4. Nellie Mae Education Foundation Supporting Districts Addressing Two Pandemics Grant (FY 20/22)..... \$250,000
to assist with identifying and highlighting the root causes of inequities in education.
- #13-21 C. Resolution to Add a Purpose to the 2003-2004 School Building and Grounds Capital Repair and Replacement Program to Include the Roof Project at Manchester High School and to appropriate an amount not to exceed \$589,000 for the Roof Project at Manchester High School.

12A. Appropriation to Special Projects (under \$500) as follows:

- #14-21 1. Police Donations Revenue Account - Manchester Police Explorer Post..... \$300
to be funded by donations from Beth and Paul Litrico (\$50), Elaine Turner (\$50) and Daniel Donovan (\$200) which are gratefully acknowledged and accepted.
- #15-21 B. Donation of artwork valued at \$21,660 by Eric Vincent Alan and Black Ink Creative Partners, LLC as a contribution to the Luminaries Project at Leisure Labs at the Mahoney Center.
- #16-21 E. Approval of the Fire Union contract.
- H. Resolutions for submission of an ED049 grant application to the State Department of Education regarding the Roof Replacement at Manchester High School.
- #17-21 1. Authorization for the Manchester Board of Education to apply to the Commissioner of Education and to accept or reject a grant for the Roof Replacement at Manchester High School.
- #18-21 2. The Permanent Building Committee is established as the building committee with regard to the Roof Replacement at Manchester High School.
- #19-21 3. Authorization for at least the preparation of schematic drawings and outline specifications for the Roof Replacement at Manchester High School.

Jones/Floyd-Cranford

9 Voted in Favor

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

C. Appointments to Boards and Commissions which have members with terms expiring in November 2020 (*except as otherwise noted).

Board/Commission

Name

Term Expiring

Arts Commission

A-Sofia Oyola Morales Youth Commission Rep November 2022

#20-21 **Floyd-Cranford/Castillo**

9 Voted in Favor

Commission on Human Relations, Elderly Services and People with Disabilities A- Stephanie Vacek, 231 Porter St (R) November 2023

#21-21 **Dougan/Floyd-Cranford**

**8 Voted in Favor
(Director Marois abstained)**

Property Maintenance Code Board of Appeals A- Jeffery Nelson, 20 Cobb Hill Rd (D) November 2023

#22-21 **Dougan/Floyd-Cranford**

9 Voted in Favor

12. NEW BUSINESS.

#23-21 C. Rescission of an appointment to the Housing and Fair Rent Commission.

Dougan/Conyers

9 Voted in Favor

#24-21 **TABLED-** D. Appointment of a member (R) to the Housing and Fair Rent Commission.

Dougan/Conyers

9 Voted in Favor

#25-21 F. Resolution establishing a subcommittee to determine the appropriate set of services and requirements for a 21st Century Public Library.

RESOLUTION
MARY CHENEY LIBRARY

WHEREAS, the Mary Cheney Library last had a serious renovation - lower level finishing of the Howroyd Room and addition of lower level restrooms - in 1998; and

WHEREAS, the balance of the building and additions remain as designed and built in 1937 and 1961 respectively; and

WHEREAS, a 2012 referendum to address these modernization upgrades and vulnerabilities was unsuccessful; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors, since then, prioritized and put forth and advocated for, generational investments in Manchester's elementary schools to achieve, among other priorities, 21st century learning environments for all on which the final phase of construction is set to begin in the spring; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors now recognizes that the challenges of the Mary Cheney Library -- which include significant building and accessibility code issues, outdated heating and cooling, and, space compatibility with contemporary and future library demands -- continue today and present investment opportunities and requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Mary Cheney Library is a valuable community resource and consistently has among the highest per capita circulation rate in Connecticut.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The Board of Directors directs the Library Advisory Board plus up to three additional members of the public, to explore and research current information to determine the appropriate set of services and requirements for a 21st Century Public Library;
2. Review, discuss and comment on earlier studies and plans to address these issues done from 2010 to 2014 and other pertinent studies and public input;
3. Determine how those ideas, concepts and vision relate specifically to Manchester in terms of space needs and location if appropriate;
4. The Library Advisory Board will meet with the Repurposed Schools Committee and advise them of their findings prior to presentation to the Board of Directors;
5. Report to the Board of Directors by September 2021 with findings and recommendations that the Board can use as the basis for decision making about the most appropriate next steps toward planning for and investing in a library to best serve the needs of our diverse community.

Schain/Castillo

9 Voted in Favor

#26-21 **APPROVED** - Motion to suspend the rules to continue meeting past 11:00 p.m.

Jones/Castillo

9 Voted in Favor

I. Discussion: Designation of Community Y as East of the River Warming Center.

#27-21 **APPROVED** - Motion to direct the Town of Manchester to identify and authorize a facility to serve as a temporary warming shelter and to direct Human Services to develop and implement a method to measure its use and to direct the Town of Manchester to develop a long-term proposal for providing shelter in partnership with community providers.

Bergin/Conyers

9 Voted in Favor

#28-21 **TABLED** - J. Appointment of an at-large member to the Repurposed Schools Committee to fill the vacancy left by Bob Rosenberg.

Jones/Floyd-Cranford

9 Voted in Favor

14. ADJOURNMENT.

#29-21 The meeting was adjourned until the February 2, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors at 7:00 p.m. in the Lincoln Center Hearing Room.

Bergin/Floyd-Cranford

9 Voted in Favor

Adjournment: 11:15 p.m.

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APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Secretary, Manchester Board of Directors