

**DELAWARE VALLEY REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Special Meeting – February 15, 2022**

**TIME and PLACE:** The special meeting was held on February 15, 2022 by the Board of Education of the Delaware Valley Regional High School District, Hunterdon County, in the Media Center of the Delaware Valley Regional High School, 19 Senator Stout Road, Frenchtown, New Jersey 08825.

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NOTICE:**

In accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, Laws of 1975, adequate and electronic notice of this meeting was provided through the public notice on January 20, 2022 by:

- a. Emailing to the Express Times and Hunterdon County Democrat
- b. Posting on the District Website and the main bulletin board in the District Office
- c. Filing via email with the Clerks of the following municipalities: Alexandria Township, Frenchtown Borough, Holland Township, Kingwood Township and Milford Borough.

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Gordon-Obal.

**ROLL CALL**

<b>Present:</b>	Ellen Gordon-Obal, President	Jonathan DeLisle, Vice President
	Gerard Bowers	Melaine Campbell
	Deborah Culberson	Amy Elphick
	Anna Gaspari	JoAnne Oldenburg
	George Tavernite (arrived 7:13 p.m.)	

**DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS**

**Present:** Teresa O'Brien, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

**ALSO PRESENT:** Gwen Thornton – New Jersey School Boards Association

President Gordon-Obal lead the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENT – Bylaw No. 0167 “Public Participation in Board Meetings”** - No comments

**OPERATIONS COMMITTEE** – George Tavernite - Chairperson, Jonathan DeLisle, Ellen Gordon, JoAnne Oldenburg

Informational items:

**Action 22-265**                      **Reject Bids for Student Center Renovations**

*WHEREAS, on February 2, 2022, the Business Administrator publicly opened bids for the Student Center Renovations that resulted in the following:*

<i>Contractor</i>	<i>Base Bid</i>
<i>Brockwell &amp; Carrington</i>	<i>\$1,048,000</i>
<i>Northeastern Interior</i>	<i>\$996,000</i>
<i>Venus Tile &amp; Marble</i>	<i>\$889,000</i>
<i>DeSapio Construction</i>	<i>\$1,043,000</i>
<i>Tekcon Construction</i>	<i>\$1,196,920</i>
<i>CMG of Easton</i>	<i>\$1,190,000</i>
<i>Vanas Construction Co.</i>	<i>\$834,600</i>
<i>Santorini Construction</i>	<i>\$1,143,000</i>
<i>Lanyi &amp; Tevald</i>	<i>\$1,024,000</i>

*WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-22 provides that a Board of Education may reject bids for any of the following reasons:*

- a. The lowest bid substantially exceeds the cost estimates for the goods or services;*
- b. The lowest bid substantially exceeds the board of education's appropriation for the goods or services,*
- c. The board of education decides to abandon the project for provision of performance of the goods and services;*
- d. The board of education wants to substantially revise the specifications for the goods or services;*
- e. The purposes or provisions or both of N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq. Are being violated; and*
- f. The board of education decides to use the State authorized contract pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-10*

*WHEREAS, the board of education has determined that the lowest bid substantially exceeds the appropriation for the goods and services and wants to substantially revise the specifications, now therefore,*

*BE IT RESOLVED that the Delaware Valley Regional High School Board of Education rejects all bids received on February 2, 2022 for Student Center Renovations and authorizes the Business Administrator and Gianforcaro Architects to take the necessary steps to re-bid the project.*

*Moved by Gordon, seconded by Elphick. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 9; nays,0.*

**Action 22-266**

**Long Range Facility Plan Student Center Renovation Amendment**

*BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approved an amendment to the Long Range Facility Plan to include a Student Center Renovation to the Delaware Valley Regional High School. Moved by Gordon, seconded by Campbell. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 9; nays,0.*

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Resolved by the Board of Education of Delaware Valley Regional High School as per Chapter 231, P. L. 1975:

1. That it is hereby determined that it may be necessary to meet in Executive Session on Tuesday, February 15, 2022 to discuss: Superintendent Search – 2<sup>nd</sup> Round Interview.
2. The matter discussed will be made public if and when confidentiality is no longer required and action pursuant to said discussion shall take place only at a public meeting.
3. The length of the meeting is thought to be approximately three (3) hours. Action may be taken upon returning to open session.

The board returned to open session at 9:10 p.m. on motion by Tavernite, seconded by Bowers. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

**ADJOURNMENT**

*BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education adjourned the meeting at 9:15 p.m. Moved by Tavernite, seconded by Gaspari. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes 9; nays, 0.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

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*Teresa O'Brien, Board Secretary*

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*Ellen Gordon-Obal, Board President*