

Fresno Unified School District  
Board Agenda Item

Board Meeting Date: May 05, 2021

**AGENDA ITEM A-12**

**AGENDA SECTION: A**

(A – Consent, B – Discussion, C – Receive, Recognize/Present)

**ACTION REQUESTED: Approve**

(Adopt, Approve, Discuss, Receive, etc.)

**TITLE AND SUBJECT: Approve Award of Bid 21-39, Fort Miller Middle School Interior Lighting Upgrade**

**ITEM DESCRIPTION:** Included in the Board Binders is information on Bid 21-39, to upgrade interior lighting at Fort Miller Middle School. The project provides for the installation of district provided LED lighting fixtures throughout the campus including classrooms, library, multipurpose room, gymnasium, and administration office. The project is recommended based on equipment failure and repair history of existing fixtures and will result in utility cost savings. Assessment of other schools for interior lighting upgrades continues, with additional projects to be recommended in the future.

The request for bids was lawfully advertised on March 3, 2021. Notifications were sent to 116 firms plus five construction trade publications, and the district received seven responses. Bids were opened on March 25, 2021. Staff recommends award to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder:

City Service Lighting (Fresno, California) \$59,639

The district purchased lighting fixtures for \$143,525 utilizing a Board approved piggyback contract to mitigate long lead times. The total cost of the project is \$203,164.

The tabulation is attached and bid specifications are available for review in the Purchasing Department.

**FINANCIAL SUMMARY:** Sufficient funds in the amount of \$59,639 are available in the Measure Q Fund – deferred maintenance.

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**CABINET APPROVAL:** Karin Temple,  
Chief Operating Officer

**SUPERINTENDENT APPROVAL:**

  
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## **Summary of the Board of Education Meeting on May 05, 2021 Virtual Meeting**

The May 05, 2021 meeting of the Board of Education began with the following announcements out of Closed Session.

- The Board took action on one workers' compensation claim.
- The Board took action to promote Sandra Toscano, Assistant Superintendent at English Learners Services to Instructional Superintendent at English Learners Programs and Services
- The Board took action to appoint Tammy Townsend, to Executive Officer at State and Federal Programs
- The Board took action to promote Ann Loorz, Manager at Business Operations to Executive Director at Purchasing
- The Board took action to promote Tressa Overstreet, Principal at Design Science Middle College High School to Executive Director at College and Career Readiness
- The Board took action to hire Marie Williams, Instructional Superintendent at School Leadership

Next, Maria Flores SAB representative from Edison High School, shared that many schools are getting ready for Teacher Appreciation Day/Week, hoping that teachers will feel students' appreciation for them. Academically, many schools are celebrating their valedictorians, and getting ready for the upcoming stretch of AP testing. Maria also shared that Edison High School just held their first prom out of quarantine, with close to 300 attendees, it was very successful despite the quick 21-day turnaround from approval to prom night.

The School Student Ambassadors from Computech Middle School also shared what they love about Computech Middle School.

Next, Superintendent Nelson provided a brief report to the Board of Education, including:

- Superintendent Nelson started by acknowledging that Cinco de Mayo commemorates the Mexican army's victory over France in the Battle of Puebla. While a minor holiday in Mexico, it is always a joy to celebrate Mexican culture and heritage, which is part of the fabric of our district and our city.
- Next, the Superintendent shared that May is a month of celebrations, as we headed into graduation season. On Tuesday, we virtually celebrated our 76 Fresno Unified Scholarship recipients. Next Tuesday, May 11, we will honor our fourth cohort of Steve's Scholars with a special outdoor event. This cohort is made up of 36 graduating seniors from eight Fresno Unified high schools. In 2012, Francine and Murray Farber established the Steve's Scholars program as a lasting memorial to their son. Their goal was to encourage students at Tehipite Middle School to strive for good grades and

attendance, social responsibility, and college.

- Superintendent shared that we also celebrate several of our schools. Kings Canyon Middle School has earned its second redesignation as a prestigious California Schools to Watch and Model Middle School. Kings Canyon was first designated among the more than 1,300 middle school in California. We also learned that Design Science Middle College High School, Patino School of Entrepreneurship are part of a second wave of Distinguished Schools Awards. They join Computech Middle School, and Baird Middle Schools are part of the first wave of recognition. Schools are selected based on test scores, suspension rates, conditions, and climate. They are recognized for their highly successful, data- driven effort ranging from professional development to positive behavior intervention.
- Next, Superintendent Nelson highlighted that we posted the second draft of the Local Control and Accountability Plan, know as the LCAP at [Fresnounified.org](https://www.fresnounified.org). Please take time to review and provide and provide further feedback as there is place to make comments.
- Last, Superintendent took a couple of minutes to share that May is Mental Health Awareness Month. Everyone has been impacted by the events of the last 12 months as we have struggled with the loss of love ones, loss of jobs and isolation. We have seen an increase in anxiety, depression, substance abuse and suicidal thoughts. Our students have been able to spend more time with their parents or primary caregivers. However, many are grieving the loss of peer interaction, social connections, and time spent in person with vital caring adults such as extended family and educators. The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted the mental health of people of all ages, and now more than ever it is critical that we reduce the stigma around mental and emotional health that prevents individuals from seeking help. We encourage Fresno Unified staff to access internal resources such as EAP and Care Solace and for students and families, we have caring staff at school sites, including school social workers and school psychologists, who will connect you to the appropriate resource. As an added note, later this month our student voice collaborative is coming together to produce a number of public service announcements around the importance of mental health wellness.

Next, the Board of Education took the following action on the below consent agenda items:

- Approved Personnel List
- Adopted Findings of Fact and Recommendations of District Administrative Board
- Approved Minutes from Prior Meeting
- Adopted Resolution Proclaiming May 12, 2021 as National School Nurse Day
- Approved Provisional Internship Permits
- Approved Agreement with Experience Inc to Fund Career Technical Education Summer Internship Opportunities
- Approved Renewal Agreement with Delta Health Systems/TeamCare
- Approved Grant Application to the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office

- K12 Strong Workforce Program
- Approved Grant Application to the California Department of Education for the Career Technical Education Incentive Grant Program
- Approved Grant Applications to the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education 2021/22 Program
- Approved Award of Bid 21-38, Centennial and Wishon Elementary Schools and Scandinavian Middle School Multipurpose Room HVAC Upgrades
- \* • Approved Award of Bid 21-39, Fort Miller Middle School Interior Lighting Upgrade
- Ratified Change Orders for the Projects Listed Below
  - Bid 21-09 Sections A, B and C, Gymnasium Bleacher Installation at Various Middle Schools (Ahwahnee, Computech, Cooper, Sequoia, Terronez, Tioga)
- Ratified the Filing of Notices of Completion
  - Bid 20-34 Section A, Gibson, Holland, Manchester Elementary Schools Multipurpose Building HVAC Upgrades
  - Bid 21-09 Sections A, B and C, Gymnasium Bleacher Installation at Various Middle Schools (Ahwahnee, Computech, Cooper, Sequoia, Terronez, Tioga)
- Ratified Purchase Orders from February 01, 2021 through February 28, 2021  
(Pulled from agenda by staff)

Next, the Board of Education discussed the below conference/discussion agenda items:

- Public Hearing Determining Energy Services Agreements to be in the Best Interest of Fresno Unified School District, and Adopted Resolution 20-21 Making Finding in Accordance with Government Code Section 4217.12(a)(1); and Adopted Resolution 20-22 Approving Energy Services Agreements with FFP BTM Solar, LLC (ForeFront Power) for Development of Solar Energy Projects at 15 Elementary Schools and 6 Middle Schools, and Finding the Agreements to be in the Best Interest of Fresno Unified School District
- Presented and Discussed the 2021/22 Strategic Budget Development

Finally, the Board of Education received the following Information and Reports:

- Received Resolution 20-12, Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of General Obligation Bonds, Election of 2016 (Measure X), Series D, in the Aggregate Principal Amount of Not to Exceed \$45,000,000, and Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of Documents and Actions in Connection Therewith
- Received Resolution 20-13, Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of General Obligation Bonds, Election of 2020 (Measure M), Series A, in the Aggregate Principal Amount of Not to Exceed \$80,000,000, and Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of Documents and Actions in Connection Therewith

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education will be Wednesday, May 19, 2021. Complete minutes and agendas are available online at [board.fresnounified.org](http://board.fresnounified.org)