

Minutes of the Work Session Meeting of the Board of Education of the Hilliard City School District at the Administration Building on October 21, 2024.

A recording of the meeting has been made that accurately records the proceedings of the meeting and is deemed a part of the minutes. The recording is maintained by the treasurer's office, and members of the public can contact the Treasurer's Office at 614-921-7029 to access the recording.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

ROLL CALL:	Kelley Arnold	Yea
	Kara Crowley	Yea
	Beth Murdoch	Yea
	Brian Perry	Yea
	Zach Vorst	Yea

116-24 Superintendent recommended, Ms. Arnold moved, and Mrs. Crowley seconded that the Board of Education adopt the agenda.

ROLL CALL:	Kelley Arnold	Yea	
	Kara Crowley	Yea	<u> X </u> Passed
	Beth Murdoch	Yea	
	Brian Perry	Yea	<u> </u> Failed
	Zach Vorst	Yea	

117-24 Superintendent recommended, Mrs. Murdoch moved and Ms. Arnold seconded that the Board of Education approve the following resolution:

AUTHORIZING META (METROPOLITAN EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY ASSOCIATION), ACTING JOINTLY AS A MEMBER OF THE OHIO SCHOOL CONSORTIUM ("CONSORTIUM")¹, TO ISSUE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR THE PURCHASE OF COMPETITIVE RETAIL ELECTRIC SERVICE FROM THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER SUBMITTED TO THE CONSORTIUM AND AUTHORIZING THE BOARD TO PURCHASE COMPETITIVE RETAIL ELECTRIC SERVICE FROM SUCH BIDDER.

WHEREAS, the School District is a member of META (Metropolitan Educational Technology Association), a body authorized by state statute to aggregate the purchasing needs of schools and of related nonprofit educational entities so as to take advantage of economies of scale when purchasing essential products and services;

WHEREAS, in prior years, META (Metropolitan Educational Technology Association) has joined with other school districts and educational purchasing councils, acting jointly as a member of the Consortium, to conduct a Request for Proposal ("RFP") for competitive electric service;

WHEREAS, through prior RFP processes, the Consortium has selected the lowest and best bids submitted in response to RFPs; and the School District has previously elected to enter into a Master Supply Agreement with the lowest and best bidder for competitive retail electric service for all of the School District's electric supply;

WHEREAS, the Consortium intends to issue a new RFP for competitive retail electric service commencing on or about the meter read date of the July 2025 billing cycle with an initial contract term of two (2) or three (3) years, and the option to extend the contract for additional periods agreed to by the parties for a total contract term not to exceed five (5) years;

WHEREAS, the School District wishes to participate in this upcoming RFP process and potentially execute a Master Service Agreement with the lowest and best RFP bidder; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee will review the lowest and best bid and corresponding terms when the RFP is concluded and determine whether the RFP resulted in the lowest and best bid for competitive retail electric service for all of the School District's electric supply.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY HILLIARD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, COUNTY OF FRANKLIN, STATE OF OHIO, as follows:

Section 1. The Board of Education of the School District does hereby consent, as a member of the META (Metropolitan Educational Technology Association), to the conducting of an RFP process by the Consortium for competitive retail electric service commencing on or about the meter read date of the July 2025 billing cycle with an initial contract term of two (2) or three (3) years, and the option to extend the contract for additional periods agreed to by the parties for a total contract term not to exceed five (5) years.

Section 2. The Board of Education of the School District does hereby authorize the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee to execute a Master Supply Agreement between the School District and the lowest and best bidder in the RFP so long as the Superintendent or their appointee finds that the price reflects the results of a public and competitive RFP process.

Section 3. The Board of Education hereby directs the Treasurer to determine if the School District has sufficient funds to certify this resolution and, if the Treasurer so finds, to certify this resolution.

ROLL CALL:	Kelley Arnold	Yea	
	Kara Crowley	Yea	<u> X </u> Passed
	Beth Murdoch	Yea	
	Brian Perry	Yea	<u> </u> Failed
	Zach Vorst	Yea	

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120-24 Mrs. Crowley moved and Mr. Vorst seconded that the Board of Education meeting is hereby adjourned.
Time: 7:20 pm.

ROLL CALL:	Kelley Arnold	Yea	
	Kara Crowley	Yea	<u> X </u> Passed
	Beth Murdoch	Yea	
	Brian Perry	Yea	<u> </u> Failed
	Zach Vorst	Yea	

Attest:

Mr. Perry, President

Mrs. Swearingen, Treasurer