

SCHOOL CITY OF HOBART
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-35

A Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Services
From Equitable Education Solutions Regarding
COVID Recovery and Student Learning

WHEREAS, The Superintendent has recommended that a proposal for services presented by Equitable Education Solutions (EES) for services, including curriculum map development, staff training, principal training and grant writing; and

WHEREAS, The Board finds that the proposed services would be of great value in addressing the educational needs of School City of Hobart students as they attempt to recover academically from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, EES has expertise in school improvement efforts; and

WHEREAS, EES is on the IDOE Approved Assistance Provider List, and is one of a small number of companies that meet all four criteria regarding COVID Recovery and Student Learning; Learning Loss, Supporting Educators, Sustainable Innovation and Sustainable Infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, EES is a current satisfactory vendor with the School City of Hobart, and is the only company in the IDOE list located in the State of Indiana which meets all four criteria; and

WHEREAS, EES offers a scope of services and degree of integration of instructional priorities through its Instructional Priority Model which would not be easy to duplicate with a single vendor; and

WHEREAS, the delay encountered in the selection process and possible coordination of offerings by multiple vendors would result in substantial delay in services to students; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent has presented a plan to fund the services proposed;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of School Trustees of the School City of Hobart, that the scope and integration of services offered by EES is sufficient to qualify it as a sole source provider, and subject to the sole source exception in board policy to procurement through requests for proposals set forth in Policy 6325(B)(3)(b).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that time is of the essence in providing services to help students recover academically from the pandemic, and it would not be in the best interest of the students of this district to delay action to expand or duplicate the efforts of the Superintendent already undertaken to determine and recommend to this Board a vendor and proposal.

Be IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent is hereby authorized on behalf of the Board of School Trustees of the School City of Hobart to accept the proposal of EES for services for the next three school years, including grant writing, and the officers of the Board are authorized to execute any necessary documents to fulfill the terms of the proposal.

Dated this 5th day of August, 2021.

Board of School Trustees
School City of Hobart

By: _____
Terry D. Butler, President

Attest:

Rikki A. Guthrie, Secretary