



**ROWAN UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES RETREAT**

Thursday, October 26, 2023

AGENDA

The Board of Trustees of Rowan University will meet at 9:00 a.m. on October 26, 2023 in the Alumni Engagement Center in Shpeen Hall on the Glassboro campus.

A schedule of events follows:

CALL TO ORDER

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

PUBLIC SESSION

Discussion items to include immersive learning and growth of Rowan Global and online programs.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of Contract Without Competitive Bidding for Consultant Services to be Provided by Propulsion Squared

Summary Statement: This resolution provides for the approval of a contract without competitive bidding for consulting services in connection with a grant received from DHS-DFD for services, education and training to support the development of the early childhood workforce in New Jersey with Propulsion Squared of Port Saint Jo, Florida for FY24.

PUBLIC SESSION

Discussion and presentation on the principles of trusteeship.

NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION #2023.10.01

**APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR
CONSULTANT SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY PROPULSION SQUARED**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Medical and Health Sciences Education Restructuring Act, N.J.S.A.18A:64M-1, et seq., permits Rowan University, a public research university, to enter into agreements for the procurement of services without public advertising pursuant to applicable state law as outlined in N.J.S.A. 18A:64-56, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 2014.02.02, approved by the Board of Trustees at its February 19, 2014 meeting, the Board approved exceptions including an exception for professional consulting services through 18A:64-56(a)(15), and

WHEREAS, the University received a grant in the amount of \$2,200,000 from the Department of Human Services – Division of Family Development (“DHS – DFD”) relating to education and training for the early childhood workforce, and

WHEREAS, the University requires certain professional consulting services, including technical assistance, evaluation, coordination and training supports relating to this grant to ensure the attainment of grant milestones, and

WHEREAS, DHS-DFD and Rowan have used Propulsion Squared, of Port Saint Jo, Florida, to provide consultation, training, web support, and most recently, collect stakeholder feedback for the evaluation of early childhood programs and in home supports for such programs, and DHS-DFD has used Propulsion Squared to help launch a pilot federal registered apprenticeship program for child care workforce in collaboration with the Department of Labor, and

WHEREAS, DHS-DFD and Rowan have consistently been satisfied with the consulting services provided by Propulsion Squared, of Port Saint Jo, Florida, and Propulsion Squared has consistently provided support to Early Childhood initiatives in the state of New Jersey and has met or exceeded all contractual obligations and expectations, and

WHEREAS, the University wishes to enter into a contract with Propulsion Squared for Fiscal Year 2024 for consulting services in an amount not to exceed \$860,000, and

WHEREAS, the Senior Vice President for Finance and Chief Financial Officer has certified that there are sufficient funds available to pay the fees associated with these services

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Senior Vice President for Finance and Chief Financial Officer is authorized to enter into a contract for services with Propulsion Squared of Port Saint Jo, Florida, for FY24 in an amount not to exceed \$860,000.

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RESOLUTION #2023.10.01 (continued)

SUMMARY STATEMENT/RATIONALE

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