

**Resolution No. 2019-20: 877**

**By Member of the Board Commissioner Maloy**

Whereas, in response to the urgent need for immediate action to further improve academic performance as well as fiscal oversight of District resources, the Superintendent made presentations to the Board on January 23, 2020 and February 11, 2020, for the proposed reconfiguration of various schools, with the goal to further improve student outcomes and bolster operating efficiencies; and

Whereas, Closure of School Buildings Policy 7600 (the “Policy”) establishes procedures the District shall follow prior to submission to the Board of a resolution to propose the closure of a school building. Given the emergency nature of the District’s financial position and the need for programming, services and supports that are integral to students’ success, and the Board’s wish to remove potential obstacles and barriers that might impede or otherwise delay immediate implementation of the proposed reconfiguration, on January 28, 2020, the Board adopted Resolution No. 2019-20: 661, and, pursuant to Article 7 of the Policy, the Board thereby waived the requirements of Articles 1 – 6 of the Policy, to the extent applicable, with respect to the proposed reconfiguration; and

Whereas, by Resolution No. 2019-20: 731, adopted on February 27, 2020, the Board approved and directed the: closure of Early Childhood School of Rochester School No. 57 (located at 15 Costar Street) effective at the conclusion of the 2019-2020 school year; petitioning the State Education Department to retire the Basic Educational Data System (“BEDS”) Code; and continued use of the 15 Costar Street facility as a new Pre-Kindergarten program beginning with the 2020-2021 school year; and

Whereas, on April 28, 2020, the Administration presented an Amended Budget Proposal to the Board which includes a recommendation to permanently close the 15 Costar Street facility at the conclusion of the 2019-2020 and to abandon the plan for the new Pre-Kindergarten program; and

Whereas, the 15 Costar Street facility is no longer required by the District for educational purposes; and

Whereas, the Board supports the Administration’s recommendation; therefore be it

Resolved, that the Board hereby authorizes and directs the permanent closure of the 15 Costar Street facility effective with the conclusion of the 2019-2020 school year; and be it further

Resolved, that the Board hereby rescinds the element of Resolution No. 2019-20: 731 that pertains to a new Pre-Kindergarten program; and be it further

Resolved, that the Board hereby authorizes and directs the submission of appropriate documents required by the State Education Department with respect to the aforementioned changes.

**Seconded by Member of the Board Vice President Elliott. Adopted 5-2 with Commissioners LeBron and Sheppard dissenting.**