

MINUTES MARCH 19, 2018 PUBLIC MEETING

NORTH ARLINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
NORTH ARLINGTON, NEW JERSEY

PUBLIC MEETING

March 19, 2018

7:37 p.m.

High School Cafeteria

I. CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

III. STATEMENT OF PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

This Public Meeting of March 19, 2018, of the Board of Education of the Borough of North Arlington, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, is called pursuant to a schedule of meetings adopted on January 9, 2018, as amended, and of notice given to the Clerk of the Borough of North Arlington and to the Librarian of the Free Public Library of North Arlington for posting therein as election notices are posted and of notice given to the Editors of the following newspaper: Bergen RECORD of Hackensack and the Newark STAR LEDGER.

Motion to suspend the order of the Public Meeting made at 7:40 pm by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. Dorsett. There was no discussion. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

The Superintendent recognized student, Nicolas DeGrace for achieving the 1,000 point club during the 2017-2018 boys' varsity basketball season.

The Superintendent recognized and congratulated the varsity basketball team as well.

At 7:42 pm the Board took a brief intermission to take photos with the team.

Motion to resume Public Meeting at 7:44 pm made by Mr. Dorsett, second Mrs. Higgins. There was no discussion. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

IV. CORRESPONDENCE

Superintendent's Statement

This meeting is open to the public for the purpose of addressing any subject matter that is pertinent to and/or directly related to the operation of the North Arlington Public School District. Residents wishing to speak on such items are required to state their names, addresses and subject matter. Pursuant to Board Bylaw 0167, Public Participation in Board Meetings, comments are limited to 5 minutes duration.

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The Board may (or may not) respond to issues raised by members of the public at the time they are raised, but will provide a response if and when appropriate. However, the Board cannot directly respond to the issues regarding personnel, in order to protect the privacy rights of the individual.

Please be advised that there is no privilege or qualified privilege with regard to any statements that you make before the Board. What this means is that while you are certainly free to exercise your right to comment on issues before the Board, such comments are considered public statements, and may be responded to or acted upon by any individuals affected by them. The Board will, of course, consider your comments as they relate to its obligations to effectively govern the North Arlington School District, but cannot offer protection from any action that a third-party may elect to pursue as a result of any statements offered during public session.

The Superintendent read a statement to the public.

Tonight I am pleased to welcome a number of parents, community members and, most importantly, students to our meeting. Despite the popularity of social media, the most direct route to understanding remains face-to-face conversation, especially about our most important concerns.

The devastating events at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School have prompted students across the nation to recognize those who lost their lives to senseless...and unpredictable...violence. This tragedy has also prompted all of us to further our discussion on school safety and, indeed, to scrutinize every possible avenue of vulnerability in this domain.

To bring this situation to light, forty-five of our North Arlington High School students participated in a much publicized walkout on March 14th. The next day, those same students who received “cuts” were asked to attend a meeting hosted by administration. This led to a healthy two hour open dialogue during which time our students had a chance to express their feelings as did Administration. Two major agreements were reached during this meeting: We never again want to see another tragic event like the one in Parkland, Florida, and we are going to continue an open dialogue in the coming weeks and beyond. I also determined from this meeting that the initiatives set forth by the high school administration and students should have been more prominently promoted throughout the school, providing a clear understanding of everyone’s expectations. Education is part of a life-long learning process; although “cuts” were initially issued, I do believe it is in the best interest of our North Arlington High School community to lift those “cuts” following the positive outcome of our meeting.

As an educator and a father of two, I have an appreciation that is paramount in my responsibilities for those of you who entrust your children to our schools. Educators are not only accountable for teaching your children but also for keeping them safe. As you can imagine, this monumental task weighs heavily on our shoulders and is at the forefront of our minds every moment...of every hour...of every day. It remains the catalyst behind each decision we make and hopefully clarifies our concerns for any of our students participating in a walkout that would leave them open, and therefore susceptible, to others who may want to harm them. With that being said, there are certainly areas in which we can grow, including more prominent initiatives and meetings set forth by our high school administration, as well as more appropriate timing to express my concerns with those involved.

Moving forward, we are proud to further support our students in their right to expression in a safe and wholesome environment where lines of communication will remain open. We understand that there will be differing opinions in how we reach our goals, but our goals, nonetheless, are one and the same:

Students were invited to speak regarding the student walkouts. The following students spoke: Lianne Litchfield, Lauren Asuzano, Naiomi Santos, Gloria Morales-Chiaro, and Jasmine Poventud.

The Board President thanked the students for their comments.
All Board Members individually addressed the students regarding the walkout.

VI. MINUTES

The following Minutes have been given to the Board for approval:

- A. Motion to approve the minutes of the Public Work Session of February 26, 2018.
- B. Motion to approve the minutes of the Public Meeting of February 26, 2018.
- C. Motion to approve the minutes of the Executive Session of February 26, 2018.

On Motion by Mr. Dorsett, second by Mrs. Higgins. There was no discussion. On roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

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VII. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Robert Cobanos, 37 Morgan Place, NA – He said that he was a former student of the North Arlington School district. He addressed the students regarding having their voices heard and said that he was there to support the students.

Sandra Muldoon, 9 Fisher Place, NA – She addressed the Board with the necessity of extending special needs' camp for her two children and asked if it was possible to move the special needs to a better facility. Ms. Muldoon also inquired to what the school was doing with regard to security training for the teachers. The Superintendent cited several initiatives that are in place, as well as continuous communications with the NAPD.

Jenny Cubero, 3 Fourth Street, NA – She commended the students for having a voice. She was concerned about what occurred the day of the student walk out and felt there was a lack of communication. Ms. Cubero also inquired about the Cheer Competitions. The Superintendent requested that she email administration for a meeting on Cheer.

Student, Grace Perez stated her concern about the marching band/color guard uniforms.

Motion to close the Hearing of Citizens made by Mrs. Higgins, second by Mrs. Gilgallon. There was no Discussion. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

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PERSONNEL

A. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EMPLOYMENT SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS, SUBSTITUTE CLASSROOM AIDE, AND SUBSTITUTE LUNCHROOM AIDE, FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the employment of the following Substitute Teachers, Substitute Classroom Aide, and Substitute Lunchroom Aide, for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year:

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

William Fatica, State Certified Substitute Teacher, *pending criminal history clearance and completion of all required employment paperwork.*

Linda Korycinski, State Certified Substitute Teacher, *pending criminal history clearance and completion of all required employment paperwork.*

Christina Meyers, *pending receipt of County Substitute Teacher Certificate.*

SUBSTITUTE PARAPROFESSIONAL

(Substitute Classroom Aide and Lunchroom Aide)

Linda Korycinski, *pending criminal history clearance and completion of all required employment paperwork.*

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education approved the employment of Substitute Teachers, Substitute Classroom Aide, and Substitute Lunchroom Aide, for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year, as set forth above.

B. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EMPLOYMENT OF A CERTIFICATED STAFF MEMBER, FOR THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the employment of **Eric Lavin**, as **Teacher of Spanish** at North Arlington High School (replacing Mary Murad), for the period beginning on or about May 1, 2018 through June 30, 2018, at Step 1, BA on the North Arlington Teachers' Salary Guide or \$49,900.00, pro-rated.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education approved the employment of **Eric Lavin**, as **Teacher of Spanish** at North Arlington High School (replacing Mary Murad), for the period beginning on or about May 1, 2018 through June 30, 2018, at Step 1, BA on the North Arlington Teachers' Salary Guide or \$49,900.00, pro-rated.

C. RESOLUTION TO REINSTATE AN EMPLOYEE.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education reinstate an employee whose name is on file in the Superintendent's Office, effective March 13, 2018.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby reinstates an employee whose name is on file in the Superintendent's Office, effective March 13, 2018.

On Motion by Mr. Dorsett, second by Mrs. Higgins. There was no discussion. On roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

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FISCAL MANAGEMENT

- A. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE, UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT, THE LIST OF TRAVEL AND RELATED COSTS WHICH ARE EDUCATIONALLY NECESSARY, FISCALLY PRUDENT, IN COMPLIANCE WITH STATE TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT GUIDELINES, ARE RELATED TO AND WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE EMPLOYEE'S CURRENT RESPONSIBILITIES AND PROMOTE THE DELIVERY OF INSTRUCTION OR FURTHER THE EFFICIENT OPERATION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.**

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the attendance of staff members at the following Professional Development Workshops:

	Name/Position	Date	Event/Location	Cost
1.	Alicia Giammanco Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction (PreK-8)	5/2/18	ELL and Title III Mentoring Workshop Hackensack, NJ	No Cost
2.	Tracey Hughes, Teacher North Arlington High School	3/23/18	Writing Rebels: Montclair, NJ	\$80.00 + mileage
3.	Kathleen Marano, School Business Administrator	6/5-6/8/18	NJ Association of School Business Officials Atlantic City, NJ	Pursuant to contract
4.	Alicia Giammanco, Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction (PreK-8)	3/29/18 (Rescheduled from 3/8/18)	Technology Planning and 1:1 Implementation (BCC Mentoring Workshops) Demarest, NJ	No Cost
5.	Alicia Giammanco, Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction (PreK-8)	4/26/18	Curriculum and Instruction: Critical Training for Supervisors/Directors/Assistant Superintendents Monroe, NJ	No Cost
6.	Persa Tzakis, Teacher North Arlington Middle School	4/19/18	Oppositional Defiant & Disruptive Adolescents Parsippany, NJ	\$99.99 + mileage
7.	Meghan Blackford, Teacher North Arlington Middle School	4/19/18	Oppositional Defiant & Disruptive Adolescents Parsippany, NJ	\$99.99 + mileage
8.	Elaine Jaume, Principal Washington School	6/25- 6/28/18	School Safety Specialist Certification Training East Rutherford, NJ	No Cost

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education approved the attendance of staff members at the Professional Development Workshops, listed above.

On Motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. Dorsett. There was no discussion. On roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

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OPERATIONS

A. RESOLUTION TO AFFIRM THE SUPERINTENDENT’S DECISION IN HARASSMENT/INTIMIDATION/BULLYING INVESTIGATIONS.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the “Board”) hereby affirms the Superintendent’s decision on the following HIB Investigations for the reasons set forth in the Superintendent’s decision to the students’ parents, and directs the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to transmit a copy of the Board’s decision to the affected students’ parents forthwith. HIB Investigation Numbers:

67705_NAHS_01102018
67993_GWES_01192018
78020_GWES_01222018
78170_NAHS_01252018
78301_NAHS_01292018
78338_NAHS_01302018
98982_NAHS_02202018

B. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EXTENSION OF A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF NORTH ARLINGTON AND THE NORTH ARLINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the extension of a Shared Services Agreement between the Borough of North Arlington and the North Arlington Board of Education regarding access to the Board of Education’s security system, for an extension beginning July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education approved the extension of a Shared Services Agreement between the Borough of North Arlington and the North Arlington Board of Education regarding access to the Board of Education’s security system, for an extension beginning July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

On Motion by Mrs. Higgins, second by Mr. Smith. There was no discussion. On roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY

A. RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING NICHOLAS DEGRACE’S ENTRANCE INTO THE 1,000 POINT CLUB.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education acknowledge Nicholas DeGrace on his amazing accomplishment of scoring his 1,000th point at a home game victory (80-64) on February 23, 2018 against James J. Ferris High School and finishing his career at North Arlington High School with 1,028 points; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education acknowledges Nicholas DeGrace on his amazing accomplishment of scoring his 1,000th point at a home game victory (80-64) on February 23, 2018 against James J. Ferris High School and finishing his career at North Arlington High School with 1,028 points; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this expression of appreciation and gratitude is made a part of the permanent records of North Arlington Public Schools.

B. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE “BRING YOUR CHILDREN TO WORK.”

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the “Board”) provide District employees with the option of bringing their children to work on April 26, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Board acknowledges and supports the “Bring Your Children to Work” day initiative, scheduled to occur on April 26, 2018;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby acknowledges and approves the Superintendent’s recommendation that District employees be allowed to bring their children to work on April 26, 2018;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any and all employees that intend to participate in the “Bring Your Children To Work” day initiative shall have submitted his or her name, along with the name(s) of any of their children attending the event, to the building principal, and a list of these individuals shall remain on file in the Superintendent’s Office.

C. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE STUDENT VOLUNTEERS FOR THE NORTH ARLINGTON MIDDLE SCHOOL THEATER PROGRAM, FOR THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve middle school students (whose names are on file in the Superintendent’s Office) to volunteer for the **North Arlington High School Theater Program**, for the 2017-2018 school year, under the direct supervision of Cynthia Branco, Drama Club Advisor at North Arlington High School (field trip/parental consent), for the following dates, location, and time:

Dates/Location/Time:

April-May, 2018 at North Arlington High School

2:50 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

(Times may vary due to parts and performance)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education approved middle school students (whose names are on file in the Superintendent’s Office) to volunteer for the **North Arlington High School Theater Program**, for the 2017-2018 school year, under the direct supervision of Cynthia Branco, Drama Club Advisor at North Arlington High School (field trip/parental consent), for the dates, location, and time, set forth above.

On Motion by Mr. Dorsett, second by Mrs. Higgins. There was no discussion. On roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

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- A. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE, UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT, THE LIST OF TRAVEL AND RELATED COSTS WHICH ARE EDUCATIONALLY NECESSARY, FISCALLY PRUDENT, IN COMPLIANCE WITH STATE TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT GUIDELINES, ARE RELATED TO AND WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE EMPLOYEE'S CURRENT RESPONSIBILITIES AND PROMOTE THE DELIVERY OF INSTRUCTION OR FURTHER THE EFFICIENT OPERATION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.**

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the attendance of staff members at the following Professional Development Workshops:

	Name/Position	Date	Event/Location	Cost
1.	Marie Griggs, Principal Roosevelt School	4/11/18	Literacy Leaders' Network Paramus, NJ	Mileage, only

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education approved the attendance of staff members at the Professional Development Workshops, listed above.

- B. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF A VOLUNTEER SOFTBALL COACH, FOR THE 2018 SPRING SEASON.**

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the appointment of **Gerald Meyers** as a **Volunteer Softball Coach** at North Arlington High School, for the 2018 Spring Season, *pending criminal history clearance and completion of all required paperwork*.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education approved the appointment of **Gerald Meyers** as a **Volunteer Softball Coach** at North Arlington High School, for the 2018 Spring Season, *pending criminal history clearance and completion of all required paperwork*.

- C. RESOLUTION TO CONTINUE SUSPENSION OF STUDENT**

WHEREAS, the North Arlington Board of Education conducted a disciplinary hearing for a student whose name is on file in the Superintendent's Office. And whereas the Board determined that a long-term suspension was appropriately imposed.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the suspension should be continued through the end of the 2017-2018 school year, subject to the results of the manifestation determination to be conducted on March 21, 2018, and subject to monthly review by the Board; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the student shall not be permitted on school grounds, including extracurricular activities and events, during the period of the suspension; and

The suspension will be reviewed monthly by the Board to determine the appropriateness of his current placement and the continuation of his suspension; and

Assuming the student does not engage in any additional inappropriate behavior and the suspension is continued through the end of the 2017-2018 school year, the student should be permitted to return at the start of the 2018-2019 school year.

On Motion by Mrs. Higgins, second by Mr. Smith. There was no discussion. On roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE

Edward Smith, Chairman
Robert Dorsett, Co-Chairman

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, by the North Arlington Board of Education that the Finance Resolutions as per the attached reports are approved (1A, 1B, 1C, 1D):
- A. The budget transfers be approved for January and February, 2018.
 - B. The Board accepts the Board Secretary’s Report of February, 2018 and approves “Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20A 10(e)” and certify that as of February, 2018 the Board Secretary’s monthly financial report did not reflect an over expenditure in any of the major accounts or funds, and based on the appropriation balances reflected on these reports and the advice of district officials, we have no reason to doubt that the district has sufficient funds available to meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
 - C. The Board accepts the report of the Treasurer of School Monies for January 2018.
 - D. The bills and claims for March, 2018 as per the attached are approved. The Superintendent recommends that the Board approve the bills and claims to include payroll account and agency account checks for February 30, 2018 (actual) and March 15, 2018 (actual), March 30, 2018 (estimated).

Date	Amount
February 30, 2018	\$ 758,228.60 (actual)
March 15, 2018	\$ 736,048.45 (actual)
March 30, 2018	\$ 760,000.00 (estimated)
Total	\$

On Motion by Mr. Dorsett, second by Mrs. Gilgallon. There was no discussion. On roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

2. **MOTION TO APPROVE THE SUBMISSION OF THE TENTATIVE 2018-2019 SCHOOL BUDGET**

WHEREAS the North Arlington Board of Education is responsible for the preparation of an annual school budget that is to be submitted to the County Superintendent of Schools for her review; and

WHEREAS the North Arlington Board of Education has developed assumptions, constraints and priorities to guide the Board of Education, the Superintendent of Schools, and the Business Administrator in preparing a budget for the 2018-2019 school year; and

WHEREAS the North Arlington Board of Education has directed the Superintendent of Schools and the Business Administrator to prepare a budget for the 2018-2019 school year, using the guidelines established by the State Department of Education; and

WHEREAS the North Arlington Board of Education has deliberated on the budget that has been prepared by the authorized parties.

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BE IT RESOLVED that the North Arlington Board of Education approves the submission of the tentative 2018-2019 school district budget for submission to the County Superintendent of Schools as follows:

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Local Tax Levy</u>
General Fund	\$38,131,840	\$25,775,293
Total Special Revenue Fund	\$ 1,026,559	-
Total Debt Service Fund	<u>\$ 514,529</u>	<u>\$ 514,529</u>
	\$39,672,928	\$26,289,822

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Included in budget line 620, Budgeted Withdrawal from Capital Reserve – Excess Costs & Other Capital Projects, is \$8.9 million for other capital project costs of land and building acquisition and expenditures for construction to renovate the property at 191 Rutherford Place (Block 1369, Lots 40, 41, and 47), North Arlington, New Jersey or, in the alternative, construct eleven classrooms, child study team offices, and storage facilities at Roosevelt Elementary School in order to reduce existing class sizes and to implement a full-day pre-kindergarten program. The total estimated cost of the project for 191 Rutherford Place is \$10.9 million. The total estimated cost for the alternative Roosevelt Elementary School expansion is \$8.9 million. These costs represent expenditures for construction elements or projects that are in addition to the facilities efficiency standards determined by the Commissioner as necessary to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the budget includes a Healthcare adjustment of ~~\$39,020~~ **\$36,019** for health benefits necessitated by increased costs, in its General Fund Tax Levy, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-10.3(b), the need for and the amount of the unused spending authority be included in the base budget.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the North Arlington Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools and the Business Administrator to amend this budget to whatever degree necessary in order to meet State budgetary requirements and directives for submission to the County Office.

On Motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. Dorsett. There was no discussion. On roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

3. MOTION TO APPROVE TRAVEL MAXIMUM REIMBURSEMENT

BE IT RESOLVED that the North Arlington Board of Education approved the following:

WHEREAS school district policy #3440 and N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.2(b) provides that the Board of Education shall establish in the annual school budget a maximum expenditure amount that may be allotted for travel by board members, administration and staff to workshops, seminars, meetings, training sessions or other assemblies deemed necessary or appropriate in accordance with board policy.

	<u>2018-2019</u>
Account No. 11-000-223-320-18-033A	\$12,000
11-000-230-590-19-0362	\$ 2,500
11-000-230-890-19-0364	\$ 1,800
11-000-240-800-06-0411	\$ 2,400
11-000-251-890-22-0525	\$ 1,500
11-000-251-890-22-0531	\$ 4,200
11-000-230-890-19-0362	<u>\$ 800</u>
	\$25,200

WHEREAS the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education further establish that the above accounts represent current expenses accounts only and

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do not reflect additional funds which may become available through NCLB, IDEA, and any other special dedicated grants.

WHEREAS the annual maximum shall not exceed \$1,500 and shall be subject to the approval requirements of N.J.S.A. 18A:19-1.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby establishes the school district travel maximum reimbursement for the 2018-2019 school year in the amount of \$25,200.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the School Business Administrator shall track and record these costs to insure that the maximum reimbursement amount is not exceeded.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the maximum expenditure amount established for the pre-budget year (2017-2018) was \$24,700.

4. MOTION TO APPROVE MANUAL CHECKS

Month and Year:	March, 2018	Amount
Acct.#11-000-290-270-22-0507		
Ck.# G01030	Delta Dental Plan of NJ	\$ 9,607.92
Ck.# G01029	Benecard	\$ 41,128.30
Ck.# G01031	Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of NJ	\$223,650.97
	Total	\$274,387.19

5. MOTION AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF PRIOR YEAR ENCUMBRANCE

The Superintendent recommends that the Board approve cancellation of prior year encumbrance as follows:

Prior Year Encumbrance Cancellation			
Vendor	Account No.	P.O. Number	Amount
Spiezle Architectural Group	30-000-400-390-00-0782	890047	\$7,938.35
	Prior Year Classroom		
		TOTAL	\$7,938.35

6. MOTION TO APPROVE OUT OF DISTRICT SPECIAL EDUCATION CONTRACTS/TRANSPORTATION

The Superintendent, upon the recommendation of the Child Study Team Director, recommends Hillmar Educational Specialist, LLC contract rates for 2017-2018 for special bilingual evaluations in the amount of \$675.

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FACILITIES

7. MOTION TO APPROVE APPLICATIONS FOR USE OF PUBLIC SCHOOL

Permit #	Facility	Date	Time	Purpose of Rental	Applicant/Org.
131 As Amended	High School Media Center	4/30 changed to 5/21	2:45pm-5:00pm	Website Development Team	Stephen Yurchak, Superintendent
210	Roosevelt School Media Center	4/17, 24 5/1, 8, 15, 22 6/5	3:00pm-4:30pm	Theatre Enrichment after school program – Kindergarten	Madlyn Mignone, Director
		6/5	6:30pm-8:00pm		
211	Roosevelt School Media Center	4/23, 30 5/7, 14, 21 6/4	3:00pm-4:30pm	Theatre Enrichment after school program	Madlyn Mignone, Director
212	High School Cafeteria	4/20	9:00am-10:30am	9/11 Talk Julie Sweeney Roth/ Tom Canavan	Cynthia Branco
213	Washington Gym	4/3,17, 24 5/1, 15, 22, 29 6/19	6:00pm-10:00pm	Men’s Open Basketball NA Recreation	Jimmy Herrmann, Rec, Director
214	High School Cafeteria	4/21	11:00am-2:00pm	Beauty & The Beast Meet & Greet “Tea/Cookies” NAHS Drama Club	Cynthia Branco, Drama Advisor
215	High School Cafeteria	5/11	5:00pm-9:00pm	Paint Night for PTO Fundraiser Jefferson School PTO	Caroline Golomb
216	High School RIP Athletic Complex	4/22, 29 5/6, 20	11:00am-2:00pm	Football Board Sessions/Field Walk-Throughs	Paul Savage
217	High School Cafeteria	3/26 & 4/3	10:30am-12:30pm	Summer Employment Through Life Guard Classes American Pool	Sean Wein, Manager
218	Roosevelt School Field	3/19,20,21,22, 23,26,27,28,29 30 4/2, 3, 4 ,5, 6	6:15pm-Dusk	Soccer Practice NA Soccer	Jimmy Herrmann, Rec Director

On Motion by Mrs. Gilgallon, second by Mrs. Higgins. There was no discussion. On roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

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8. MOTION TO APPROVE, UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT, CONTRACTS, ADDENDA, BIDS, AND PROPOSALS

Motion to approve/reject:

A. MOTION TO APPROVE UPGRADE TO OUR INFRASTRUCTURE HARDWARE/SOFTWARE

Bids were solicited from the following companies:

Name of Company	Description	Price
Presidio - Nutanix	Upgrade Infrastructure (hardware & software)	\$154,887.58
New Era Technology	Upgrade Infrastructure (hardware & software)	\$165,100.39

The Superintendent recommends that the Board authorize the services of Presidio to upgrade our infrastructure.

Justification:

The North Arlington schools' infrastructure of Cisco hardware and VMware software, which contains all of the district's electronic data for the central office, the Superintendent's office, and all staff/faculty/students, is in critical need of upgrading due to continued hardware failures based on the product's end-of-life usability. This is the full storage capacity for the entire district. Two quotes from different State-approved vendors were provided, each with its own hardware/software suggestions for our new infrastructure. Presidio's "Nutanix" product is rated as the best product for hyperconverged infrastructures by Gartner Magic Quadrant ratings (www.gartner.com/home).

BE IT RESOLVED the North Arlington Board of Education authorizes the **Presidio** to perform the upgrade to the infrastructure in all of North Arlington's schools.

B. MOTION TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF PHOENIX ADVISORS FOR CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGENT SERVICES AND AS INDEPENDENT REGISTERED MUNICIPAL ADVISOR FOR 2018-2019

WHEREAS, the Superintendent recommends, the North Arlington Board of Education approve the appointment of Phoenix Advisors, LLC for Continuing Disclosure Agent Services and as Independent Registered Municipal Advisor for the upcoming 2018-2019 fiscal year.

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGENT SERVICE	COST
Base fee	\$850.00

BE IT RESOLVED the North Arlington Board of Education approves the appointment of Phoenix Advisors for Continuing Disclosure Agent and as Independent Registered Municipal Advisor for the upcoming 2018-2019 fiscal year.

C. MOTION TO APPROVE ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR ROOSEVELT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BATHROOM RENOVATIONS

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board approve the advertising for bids for Roosevelt Elementary School bathroom renovations.

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D. MOTION TO APPROVE THE NORTH ARLINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION TO PURCHASE GAS AND ELECTRIC SERVICES THROUGH ALLIANCE FOR COMPETITIVE ENERGY SERVICES (ACES)

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board approve the purchase of gas and electric services through Alliance for Competitive Energy Services (ACES).

BE IT RESOLVED the North Arlington Board of Education authorizes the purchase of gas and electric services through Alliance for Competitive Energy Services (ACES).

E. MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FROM PRESIDIO FOR CORE ROUTER AND WIRELESS UPGRADES

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board approve the proposal from Presidio to upgrade our core router and wireless core.

PRESIDIO	COST
Core Router Upgrade	\$ 41,287.52
Wireless Core Upgrade	\$ 83,740.77
TOTAL	\$125,028.29

BE IT RESOLVED the North Arlington Board of Education approves the proposal quote Presidio to upgrade our core router and wireless core.

Justification:

As part of our “infrastructure upgrade” project, our Core Router and Wireless Core are beyond their technological life-cycle and require upgrades at this time. The Core Router is our primary network communication device whereby all internal and Internet communications flow between all devices. The device currently in place is over 15 years old. Furthermore, the wireless core is required to be updated in conjunction with the core router. In anticipation of using more wireless devices, increasing bandwidth and management capacities of our wireless network, these upgrades are a necessity.

F. MOTION TO APPROVE THE SUBMISSION OF THE ROOSEVELT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TOILET ROOM RENOVATION PROJECT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the North Arlington Board of Education to approve the submission of the Toilet Room Renovations at Roosevelt Elementary School to the New Jersey Department of Education, DOE State Project #03-3600-070-18-1000, for review and Department approval of a “other capital project” with no state funding; and authorize the amendment to the 2008 long range facilities plan to be consistent with the project. Further, the Board authorizes Spiegle Architectural Group, Inc. to make the submission to the Department of Education on behalf of the district.

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G. MOTION TO RATIFY AND REAFFIRM A CHANGE ORDER FROM LAUMAR ROOFING CO., INC.

CHANGE ORDER

A change order was received from Laumar Roofing co., Inc. to reduce the price of the overall project as follows:

The original Contract Sum was:	\$332,000.00
The Contract Sum will be decreased by this Change Order in the amount of:	\$ 20,000.00
The new Contract Sum including this Change Order will be:	\$312,000.00

The Superintendent and the Buildings and Grounds Supervisor recommend that the Board ratify and reaffirm this change order.

9. MOTION TO CANCEL MARCH 26, 2018 FROM THE SCHEDULE OF BOARD MEETING DATES

WHEREAS, the Superintendent recommends that the Board approve the cancellation of March 26, 2018 from the Schedule of Board Meeting dates.

On Motion by Mrs. Higgins, second by Mrs. Gilgallon. There was no discussion. On roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

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LIAISON TO INDIVIDUAL SCHOOLS

High School

George McDermott

Jefferson School

Robert Dorsett

Roosevelt School

Michele Higgins

Washington School

Heather Gilgallon

Middle School

Edward Smith

INSTRUCTION AND PROGRAM

Heather Gilgallon, Chairman

Edward Smith, Co-Chairman

OPERATIONS

George McDermott, Chairman

Heather Gilgallon, Co-Chairman

GOVERNANCE

Michele Higgins, Chairman

Robert Dorsett, Co-Chairman

FISCAL MANAGEMENT

Edward Smith, Chairman

Robert Dorsett, Co-Chairman

STUDENT AND COMMUNITY

Robert Dorsett, Chairman

George McDermott, Co-Chairman

PERSONNEL

George McDermott, Chairman

Michele Higgins, Co-Chairman

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

ACTION ITEMS

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DISCUSSION ITEMS

SUNSHINE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS this meeting is duly and properly called for a regular session meeting of this Body and adequate notice has been given as provided for by the “Open Public Meetings Act”; and

WHEREAS it is now necessary that the Board of Education consider the following matter:
Personnel and Legal

which fall(s) within the exceptions as set forth in the “Open Public Meetings Act” and therefore are matters which this Body determines should be discussed at a closed meeting. It is anticipated that this closed session will last approximately 45 minutes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the North Arlington Board of Education as follows:

That this body shall at this time recess this meeting and conduct a closed meeting concerning the above referenced matter(s), which involve exceptions this body hereby determines are of such a nature that they cannot be discussed at an open meeting and this body is at this time unable to determine when the matter(s) under discussion can be disclosed to the public. However, this body will make such a disclosure when circumstances permit.

On Motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mrs. Higgins. There was no discussion. On roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

Time recessed: 8:25 pm Time reconvened: 9:05 pm

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board of Education of the Borough of North Arlington, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, this Public Meeting of March 19, 2018 adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

On Motion by Mr. Dorsett, second by Mrs. Gilgallon. There was no discussion. On roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

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