

**NORTH ARLINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
NORTH ARLINGTON, NEW JERSEY**

SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING

October 3, 2018

4:00 pm

Board of Education Office

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

Mr. Dorsett	Present
Mr. Smith	Present
Mrs. Gilgallon	Present via Teleconference
Mrs. Higgins	4:12 pm
Mr. McDermott	Present

Mrs. Gilgallon teleconferenced in the Special Meeting at 4:00 pm. She confirmed that she was a Board of Education Member and gave her name. She confirmed her location of Dumont, NJ and that she was at her place of work. Ms. Gilgallon stated that she had a prior appointment which was unable to be rescheduled.

III. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

IV. STATEMENT OF PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

This Special Public Meeting of October 3, 2018, of the Board of Education of the Borough of North Arlington, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, is called to immediately follow the Annual Reorganization Meeting on January 9, 2018. The Board will open to the public for the purpose of immediately adjourning into Executive Session. This meeting will be held in the Board of Education Office as per 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.

V. 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.

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.

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VI. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

No citizens wishing to be heard.

Mrs. Gilgallon spoke about the Pre-K survey sent to the Board Members.

The Superintendent reviewed the approximate number of districts offering free and tuition-based PreK4 programs (full day and half day).

Mr. Smith inquired about the timeline for a potential referendum and question for the 2019 election.

VII. PERSONNEL

A. **RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EMPLOYMENT OF AN ATHLETIC DIRECTOR.**

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the employment of **Joshua Aronowitz**, as the **Athletic Director** at North Arlington High School (replacing David Hutchinson) at a pro-rated annual salary of \$90,000.00, for the period beginning on or about December 3, 2018 through June 30, 2019, *pending criminal history clearance and completion of all required employment paperwork.*

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the employment of **Joshua Aronowitz**, as the **Athletic Director** at North Arlington High School (replacing David Hutchinson) at a pro-rated annual salary of \$90,000.00, for the period beginning on or about December 3, 2018 through June 30, 2019, *pending criminal history clearance and completion of all required employment paperwork.*

On Motion by Mr. Dorsett, 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.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Edward Smith, Chairman
Robert Dorsett, Co-Chairman

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

Motion to approve/reject:

A. **MOTION TO AMEND THE APPROVAL OF THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF SPIEZLE ARCHITECTURAL GROUP FOR THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR LAND ACQUISITION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

WHEREAS, the Superintendent recommends that the Board approve the professional services of Spiezle Architectural Group for \$21,950 for the submission of an application for land acquisition to the Department of Education as an Other Capital Project and to amend the Long Range Facility Plan.

- Written Request for Approval of Land Acquisition by BOE and Administration
- Written Statement from Governing Water and Sewerage Authority for Adequacy
- Written Statement from Registered Architect on Land Use Requirements
- Written Statement from Registered Architect on Suitability of Site
- Plot Plan of Property including Topography and all Structures
- School District Map of all School Properties
- School District Map showing all Attendance Areas

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- Office of Bilingual and Equity Issues Racial/Ethnic Enrollment Questionnaire
- Submission of Local Planning Board
- Soil Testing
- Detailed Appraisal of Property
- Recommendation from the County Superintendent of Schools

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education approves the professional services of Spiegle Architectural Group for \$21,950 for the submission of an application for land acquisition to the Department of Education as an Other Capital Project and to amend the Long Range Facility Plan.

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.

VIII. CLOSED SESSION

XI. 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:

Matters of Personnel

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 _____ 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.

X. 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 Special Public Meeting of October 3, 2018 adjourned at 4:15 pm.

On Motion by Mr. Dorsett, 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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