

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

PUBLIC WORK SESSION

May 16, 2022

5:40 p.m.

Board of Education Office

I. **CALL TO ORDER**

II. **ROLL CALL**

Mr. McDermott	<u>Present</u>
Mrs. Higgins	<u>Present</u>
Mr. Dorsett	<u>Present</u>
Mr. Smith	<u>Present</u>
Mrs. Gilgallon	<u>Present</u>

III.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

IV. **STATEMENT OF PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE**

This Public Meeting of May 26, 2022, 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 6, 2022 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 Editor of the following newspapers: the Bergen RECORD of Hackensack and the Newark Star Ledger.

Motion to move to Executive Session at 5:40 p.m. made by Mr. Smith, 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.

Public Work Session reconvened at 6:17 p.m.

1. The School Business Administrator updated the Board on the bids received for the drainage project at Veterans Middle School and discussed the next steps.
2. The Superintendent stated that the plaque dedications at Veterans Middle School and Susan B. Anthony Elementary School were coming up. The Superintendent and Board discussed the invitations and attendees of events.

Mrs. Gilgallon left the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

Mrs. Gilgallon re-entered the meeting at 6:28 p.m.

3. The Superintendent and Board discussed a possible guest speaker for the High School graduation.
4. The Superintendent reviewed the 2020-2021 NJ School Performance Reports with the Board. He highlighted progress and pointed out continued areas of focus.
5. Mr. Dorsett inquired about basketball interviews. The Superintendent said that resumes came in, interviews have started, and that he will keep the Board posted.

6. The Superintendent updated the Board on the Health Guidelines. The Superintendent said that he will be emailing the community regarding current guidelines and risk in our area, in coordination with the North Arlington Department of Health. The Board also discussed scenarios related to quarantine guidelines and year end school events.
7. The Superintendent reviewed the 2022-2023 PDP. The Board further discussed this topic.
8. Mr. Dorsett inquired about departmentalizing grades 4 and 5. The Superintendent stated that this would be in place for September 2022.
9. The Superintendent and Board agreed to provide half day sessions for the district towards the end of the school year.

Mr. Dorsett left the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

Mr. Dorsett re-entered the meeting at 7:06 pm.

10. The Superintendent and the Board reviewed and discussed the 2021-2022 Board and District goals.
11. The Superintendent and the Board established Board and District goals for the 2022-2023 school year.
12. The Superintendent updated the Board on a potential contract with SAP for the 22/23 school year.
13. Mr. Dorsett inquired about bringing in our out-of-district students on a tuition basis. The Superintendent responded that this is something that can happen in the future; however, we are still strengthening our existing programs for our students.
14. The School Business Administrator updated the Board regarding the possibility of renting school space to the Northern Huaxia Chinese School. The Board decided to table the discussion for a later date.

The Superintendent left the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

The Superintendent re-entered the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

15. The School Business Administrator announced that NJ School Boards were being held from October 24th to October 26th and that she needed to know who would be attending by the September 12th Board Meeting.

Respectfully,

Samantha Dembowski

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