

MINUTES, AUGUST 29, 2022 SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING

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

**SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING**

**August 29, 2022**

5:33 p.m.

**High School Gymnasium**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Borough Clerk called the Council to order at 5:33 p.m.

**II. ROLL CALL**

NABOE called the Board to order at 5:33 p.m

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>
Student Board Member	<u>Absent</u>

**III. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

**IV. STATEMENT OF SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE**, that in accordance with the provision of Chapter 231, Laws of 1975, the “Open Public Meetings Act,” notice is hereby given that the North Arlington Board of Education will hold a Special Public and Executive Board Meeting on **Monday, August 29, 2022** to begin at 5:30 p.m. The purpose of this meeting is for the discussion of school security. The meeting will open to the public at 5:30 p.m. The Board will move into closed executive session. After the conclusion of the executive session, the Board will return to public session where action may be taken. The meeting will take place at the High School Gymnasium, 222 Ridge Road, North Arlington, New Jersey.

Notice of this meeting has been posted in the Board of Education office, in all district schools, and on the district website. This is an official meeting of the North Arlington Board of Education.

**V. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC**

Mayor Pronti opened public comments for the Borough of North Arlington.

The North Arlington Board President opened the hearing of the public.

Any members of the public wishing to be heard please stand, state your name and address for the record.

There were no citizens wishing to be heard.

Mayor Pronti closed public comments for the Borough of North Arlington.

The Board President motioned to close the Hearing of Citizens made by Mr. McDermott, second by Mr. Smith. There was no discussion. On Roll all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

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Mayor Pronti stated that we are here to look into the possibility of securing our schools, an issue facing our entire country, and come up with a feasible working system to provide the best possible security for the children.

The Superintendent said that we have been trying to get a meeting together over the past couple of weeks. He said that the sole purpose of the meeting is to discuss school security measures for the North Arlington Public Schools. He stated that we are trying to take proactive approaches to make sure our students and staff are as safe as possible. The Superintendent said that we appreciate everyone coming together for the meeting.

Borough Council announced that they were going into Executive Session.

### **VI. CLOSED SESSION**

The School Business Administrator announced that we would move to closed session for approximately one hour for the matter of School Security.

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

### **VII. ADJOURNMENT**

The Borough Council voted to close the meeting.

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 August 29, 2022 adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

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