

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

PUBLIC WORK SESSION

August 27, 2024

5:36 p.m.

Board of Education Office

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

Mr. Smith	<u>Present</u>
Mrs. Gilgallon	<u>Present</u> – 5:42 p.m.
Mr. Dorsett	<u>Present</u>
Mrs. Higgins	<u>Absent</u>
Mr. McDermott	<u>Present</u>
Student Board Member	<u>Absent</u>

III. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

IV. STATEMENT OF PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

This Public Meeting of August 27, 2024, 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 4, 2024 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 5:37 p.m. made 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.

1. The Superintendent and Board discussed the Digital Display Board in front of the High School. Mr. Dorsett suggested looking into Blue Foundary. The Superintendent said that he would have the High School Principal look into it.
2. The School Business Administrator reviewed capital projects with the Board. She updated the Board on the status on the following district projects: High School Cupola, Roosevelt Roof Replacement, Field House Renovations at Veterans Middle School, HVAC Upgrades at Washington School, and Gym Floor Replacement at Washington School.
3. The Board discussed the 18-21 starter program and potential future revenue that the program could generate.
4. The Superintendent reviewed the data related to the 338 forms that were completed at each school over the course of the 2023/2024 school year.
5. The Superintendent handed out material to the Board showing the financial breakdown of the cost to install lightning detectors at the field. He discussed splitting the cost of the detectors with the Borough, which was previously discussed with Borough officials. The Board was in agreement with the project and requested an updated quote.
6. The School Business Administrator discussed dates for the School Board Conference with the Board.
7. The Superintendent and Board discussed the costs of upgrading the teeball field in the back of the High School and the possibility of using that area for expansion in the future. The Board also discussed building expansions at other district schools.

8. Mr. Dorsett inquired about if test scores were released. The Superintendent said that we are waiting for the ISRs and that the public presentation will be ready for September's meeting.
9. Mr. Smith inquired about how many internal changes there were in relation to teachers. The Superintendent reviewed with the Board.

Motion to close open session at 6:42 p.m. made 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.

Respectfully,

Samantha Dembowski
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