

ARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
School Board Meeting
August 30, 2018

Item C-1-a

The Arlington School Board convened on Thursday, August 30, 2018, at 7 PM at 2110 Washington Blvd, Arlington, Virginia.¹

Present were:

Reid Goldstein, Chair
Tannia Talento, Vice Chair
Barbara Kanninen, Member
Monique O’Grady, Member
Nancy Van Doren, Member
Claudia Mercado, Deputy Clerk

Also present were:

Dr. Patrick K. Murphy, Superintendent
John Chadwick, Assistant Superintendent, Facilities and Operations
Linda Erdos, Assistant Superintendent, School and Community Relations
Dr. Kristi Murphy, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
Dr. Tara Natrass, Assistant Superintendent, Teaching & Learning
Leslie Peterson, Assistant Superintendent, Finance and Management Services

A. CLOSED MEETING: NONE

B. MEETING OPENING

1. Call to Order and Certification of Closed Meeting
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Announcements

Ms. Van Doren spoke about her visit to the Carlin Springs Elementary back-to-school celebration. Ms. O’Grady shared her experience attending the Open Houses for the Montessori Program and Wakefield High School.

Dr. Murphy announced that all APS schools are fully accredited by the Virginia Department of Education for the fourth consecutive year. He also shared various events happening around the school system in preparation for the beginning of the school year.

C. CONSENT AGENDA: (7:08 PM)

¹ Video clips of regular School Board meetings can be viewed on the APS Web site at the following link:
<http://www.apsva.us/page/3067>
DVDs of all regular School Board meetings are also available for viewing in the School Board office.

Ms. Van Doren requested that Item C-4 Charge and Membership Appointments for the Education Center Renovation Building Level Planning Committee be removed from Consent.

Mr. Goldstein moved that the Board adopt the consent agenda as amended, seconded by Ms. O’Grady. The motion was adopted in a vote of 5 – 0, with Mr. Goldstein, Dr. Kanninen, Ms. O’Grady, Ms. Talento, and Ms. Van Doren voting affirmatively. The following items or actions were approved as a part of consent:

1. Minutes
 - a. May 2, 2018 Meeting of the Advisory Council on Instruction
 - b. May 3, 2018 School Board Meeting
 - c. May 17, 2018 School Board Meeting and Public Hearing on the Proposed FY 2019-2028 Capital Improvement Plan
 - d. May 31, 2018 School Board Meeting
 - e. June 7, 2018 School Board Meeting
 - f. June 21, 2018 School Board Meeting
 - g. August 2, 2018 School Board Meeting
 - h. August 13, 2018 Closed Meeting

2. Personnel actions
 - P/E-SCALE PERSONNEL
 - 2 Changes In Position/Salary

 - T--SCALE PERSONNEL
 - 4 Resignations with Prejudice
 - 2 Retirements

 - SUPPORT SERVICES PERSONNEL
 - 12 Appointments
 - 4 Changes In Position/Salary
 - 2 Resignations
 - 1 Retirement

3. School Board FY 2018-19 Civic Association Liaison Assignments

4. ~~Charge and Membership Appointments for the Education Center Renovation Building Level Planning Committee~~ REMOVED

5. Emergency Preparedness Management Plan

D. CITIZEN COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEM (7:23 PM):

The following parents addressed the Board with concerns on the elimination of the Act II Jazz Academy class:

Elizabeth Settlemyer, Williamsburg Middle School parent
Alison Broadbent, Williamsburg Middle School parent

The following speakers addressed the Board with concerns about the discontinuation of the motor-free component of the Transportation Demand Management benefit:

Aaron Schuetz, Yorktown High School Physics teacher
Jeff Bunting, Yorktown High School English teacher
Tamara Molina, Yorktown High School teacher

The following speakers addressed the Board regarding the Mongolian School of the National Capital Area:

Stan Karson, Mongolian School Board
Francesca Reilly-McDonnell, Mongolian School Board
Dolgor Ploetz, Mongolian School Board
Jaukhlan (Jane) Batsukh, Mongolian School parent

The following speakers also addressed the Board:

Miranda Baltaxe & Jace Dean, H-B Woodlawn Secondary Program students: concerning access to ultimate fields for H-B Woodlawn students.

Ingrid Gant, Arlington Education Association President: sharing a welcome back-to-school message with the Board.

Lois Koontz, Arlington Certified Emergency Response Team volunteer: sharing information about emergency training for teachers and staff

E. MONITORING ITEMS:

1. Academic Performance Update (7:58 PM)

Sarah Putnam, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, presented an update on academic performance from the 2017-18 school year. The presentation included information about accreditation and federal accountability standards, strategic plan, performance objectives and the desired outcomes for the 2018-19 school year, and data trends.

The following speaker also addressed the Board:

Audrey Clement, Independent Candidate for School Board: expressing concerns about academic performance data trends.

The Board discussed data trends and shared concerns about opportunities to eliminate the achievement gap. Board members requested to schedule a work session to analyze information and converse about the desired outcomes for all students.

F. ACTION ITEMS:

1. Charge and Membership Appointments for the Education Center Renovation Building Level Planning Committee

In accordance with revisions proposed by the School Board members since the August 2, 2018 meeting, the Board approved the revised charge and membership appointments to the Education Center Renovation Building Level Planning Committee (BLPC).

Ms. Talento moved that the Board approve the Charge and Membership Appointments for the Education Center Renovation Building Level Planning Committee, seconded by Dr. Kanninen.

Ms. Van Doren called for an amendment to the motion proposing changes to the wording of the Charge on page 3 and 4, seconded by Ms. Talento. The Board briefly discussed the proposed amendment. Mr. Goldstein called for a vote and the amended motion failed in a vote of 3 - 2, with Mr. Goldstein, Dr. Kanninen, and Ms. Talento voting against, and Ms. O'Grady, and Ms. Van Doren voting affirmatively.

Mr. Goldstein called for a vote and the original motion was adopted in a vote of 5 - 0, with Dr. Kanninen, Mr. Goldstein, Ms. O'Grady, Ms. Talento, and Ms. Van Doren voting affirmatively.

The Board discussed the future flexibility of the project cost.

2. Revisions to School Board Policy G-3.2.4 Leave and School Board Policy G-3.2.3.31 Other Benefits (9 PM)

Dr. Murphy presented the removal of parental leave in School Board Policy G-3.2.4 Leave and the removal of the Live Where You Work in Arlington Housing Grant from School Board Policy G-3.2.3.31 Other Benefits.

Dr. Kanninen moved that the Board adopt Revisions to School Board Policy G-3.2.4 Leave and School Board Policy G-3.2.3.31 Other Benefits as presented, seconded by Ms. Talento. The motion was approved by a vote of 5 – 0 with Mr. Goldstein, Dr. Kanninen, Ms. O'Grady, Ms. Talento, and Ms. Van Doren voting affirmatively.

3. Revisions to School Board Policy J-8.7 Safety of Students and Child Abuse and Neglect – Child Protective Services (9:05 PM)

Dr. Muphy presented updates to School Board Policy J-8.7 Safety of Students and Child Abuse and Neglect – Child Protective Services to ensure APS compliance with the Virginia Code.

Dr. Kanninen moved that the Board adopt Revisions to School Board Policy J-8.7 Safety of Students and Child Abuse and Neglect – Child Protective Services as

presented, seconded by Ms. O’Grady. The motion was approved by a vote of 5 – 0 with Mr. Goldstein, Dr. Kanninen, Ms. O’Grady, Ms. Talento, and Ms. Van Doren voting affirmatively.

The Board recessed from 9:15 PM to 9:23 PM.

G. INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Revisions to School Board Policy A-4 Mission, Vision and Core Values and School Board Policy A-5 Arlington Public Schools Priorities (9:23 PM)

Mr. Goldstein presented the new Mission, Vision and Core Values, and Priorities. He thanked staff and the Strategic Planning Steering Committee for their work in developing the new 2018-2024 Strategic Plan.

2. Revision to School Board Policy J-5.3.30 Admission and Placement (9:27 PM)

Dr. Laura Newton, Student Services Director, presented changes to School Board Policy J-5.3.30 Admission and Placement to address children of persons on active military duty and to align the policy to the Virginia Code. In addition, she presented updates to the policy related to children of families with special circumstances.

The Board discussed the proposed changes to the policy and the implications it may have on families.

3. Contract Award for Pre-Construction Construction Management at-Risk Services for the Education Center Renovation (9:32 PM)

Mr. Ben Burgin, Design and Construction Assistant Director, presented the Board with the recommendation to approve the contract award for Phase 1: Pre-Construction Services in the amount of \$257,000 to MCN Build, Inc. He also reviewed the timeline for next steps in the design phase and upcoming public meetings.

4. Contract Award for Kenmore HVAC Controls (9:38 PM)

Mr. Jim Meikle, Maintenance Services Director, recommended that the Board award the contract of up to \$600,000 to Automated Logic to replace the current Kenmore HVAC/Building Automation System.

5. Change to the Guaranteed Maximum Price for the New School at Wilson (9:41)

Mr. Jeffery Chambers, Design and Construction Director, presented a change order to increase the Wilson project Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) due to unexpected changes in scope and to mitigate schedule delays. The change order is funded through project contingency within the current funding approved by the School Board, so no increase in funding was necessary. Mr. Chambers recommended the use of \$750,000 from the CMR Contingency within the GMP, and an increase to the Wilson project GMP contract with an individual change order of \$1,247,498.

The Board discussed the project funding and the allocation of the budget.

H. NEW BUSINESS: NONE

I. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 9:55 PM.

ATTEST:

Claudia Mercado, Deputy Clerk
Arlington School Board

Reid Goldstein, Chair
Arlington School Board