

ARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
School Board, Executive Leadership Team & Staff Retreat
June 30, 2016

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The Arlington School Board convened on Tuesday, June 30, 2016, at 3:10 PM at Arlington Economic Development, 1100 N. Glebe Road, Suite 1500, Arlington, VA 22201.

Present were:

Dr. Emma Violand-Sánchez
Nancy Van Doren, Vice Chair
Reid Goldstein, Member
Dr. Barbara Kanninen, Member
James Lander, Member
Claudia Mercado, Deputy Clerk

Also present were:

Dr. Patrick K. Murphy, Superintendent
Raj Adusumilli, Assistant Superintendent, Information Services
John Chadwick, Assistant Superintendent, Facilities & Operations
Linda Erdos, Assistant Superintendent, School & Community Relations
Cintia Johnson, Assistant Superintendent, Administrative Services
Dr. Kristi Murphy, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
Deirdra McLaughlin, Assistant Superintendent, Finance & Management Services
Connie Skelton, Assistant Superintendent, Instruction
Dr. Brenda Wilks, Assistant Superintendent, Student Services
Benjamin Burgin, Assistant Director, Design & Construction
Julia Burgos, Chief of Staff, Superintendent's Office
Tyrone Byrd, Director, Instruction
Jennifer Harris, Director, Communications
Ellen Kennedy, Director, Employee Relations
Dr. Kelly Krug, ATSS Supervisor, Special Education
Zachary Larnard, Planner, Facilities & Operations
Tamika Lovett-Miller, Financial Analyst, Finance & Management Services
Mark Macekura, Coordinator, Special Projects, Instruction
Helena Machado, Director, Aquatic Centers
Leslie Peterson, Director, Budget
Matt Smith, Special Projects Coordinator, Information Services
Dr. Donna Snyder, Director, Early Childhood
Lisa Stengle, Director, Planning & Evaluation
Erin Wales-Smith, Coordinator, Recruitment
Lionel White, Director, Facilities Planning

Welcome

Dr. Emma Violand-Sánchez thanked everyone for their attendance and for their support during the SY 2015-16. She thanked Ms. Van Doren for her work as vice chair and her continued

commitment to the Board. Dr. Murphy also thanked staff for attending and for providing their expertise and support. Ms. Van Doren briefly spoke about the School Board Priorities for SY 2016-17, focusing her remarks on using resources to plan for the future and long range planning.

Tremendousness Presentation

Consultants from Tremendousness presented the infographic for long range planning. Time was spent reviewing the infographic and receiving feedback on the draft blue print. The Board and staff provided feedback about the visual appeal of the infographic and the information presented. Discussion included revising the infographic to reflect key messages of long range planning for APS. In concluding the presentation, it was confirmed that Ms. Stengle will continue to lead the efforts to link the infographic to the work being done by staff.

The Board and staff recessed at 4:37 PM and reconvened at 5:51 PM.

Group Activity

Dr. Kanninen led the group in a conversation about School Board Priorities and the correlation to supporting staff work and team building. The Board and then engaged in a group activity to discuss School Board Priorities in detail. Groups engaged in dialogue focused on the Board's draft priorities and staff providing opinions on how to better meet Board Priorities. The goal was to find ways to work in collaboration across departments to achieve student success, while keeping the whole child in mind. Board members rotated between the following groups- Communications and Community Engagement, Drew Visioning, Empowering Staff, Infrastructure and Resource Planning, Instruction and Student Success for All Students.

Dr. Murphy concluded the retreat by putting in perspective that this retreat was to create a similar process as the budget, where clear and concise conversations take place to set expectations and have direction of where work needs to be done.

Lastly, the Board ended the discussion by focusing on student success, specifically in Instruction, and prioritizing how to define this term system wide. The Board also focused on a Drew Visioning process, which will be a priority and will consider the type of program that will be housed there. Additionally, the Board began a dialogue about high schools policies and aligning PIPs.

The meeting adjourned 8:12 PM.

ATTEST:

Claudia Mercado, Deputy Clerk
Arlington School Board

Dr. Violand-Sánchez, Chair
Arlington School Board