

**ARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
Budget Work Session  
May 5, 2020

**Item D-1-e**

The Arlington School Board convened on Tuesday, May 5, 2020, at 5 PM. The meeting was held by electronic communications using Microsoft Teams due to the COVID-19 Pandemic emergency.

**Present were:**

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

**Also present were:**

Cintia Johnson, Interim Superintendent  
Raj Adusumilli, Assistant Superintendent, Information Services  
Dr. Jeannette Allen, Acting Assistant Superintendent, Administrative Services  
Catherine Ashby, Interim Assistant Superintendent, School and Community Relations  
John Chadwick, Assistant Superintendent, Facilities and Operations  
Arron Gregory, Chief Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Officer  
Bridget Loft, Assistant Superintendent, Teaching and Learning  
Leslie Peterson, Assistant Superintendent, Finance and Management  
Dan Redding, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources  
Lisa Stengle, Executive Director, Planning and Evaluation

Ms. Peterson presented the FY 2020 revenue and expenditure update which was impacted by the pandemic emergency. She spoke about future potential County and State revenue reductions. Mr. Goldstein inquired about information on possible savings with the change in school operations and Ms. Talento inquired about a possible deficit for the FY 2020 budget.

Ms. Peterson also presented a summary of revenue and expenditure updates to the Interim Superintendent’s Revised Proposed FY 2021 Budget. She then provided a detailed review of expenditures in the School Board’s Proposed FY 2021 Budget, highlighting the differences between each proposal. Ms. Peterson spoke about possible changes in revenue projections for FY 2021 and outlined the use of reserves funding in the Board’s Proposed Budget. Lastly, due to many unknown revenue factors due to the pandemic, Ms. Peterson explained that the Board will probably need to revise the budget during the year as more guidance and information is provided to staff and the Board.

Some topics the Board discussed included student enrollment projections, the proposed reductions to close the budget deficit, revenue funding, the use of alternative software in lieu of Smart Notebook, the impact of a staffing decrease at exemplary project schools, and Planetarium and Extended Day needs. In addition, the Board discussed proposed motions to consider as part of their final budget vote on May 7.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM.

**ATTEST:**

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Claudia Mercado, Deputy Clerk  
Arlington School Board

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Tannia Talento, Chair  
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