

ARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
School Board and Cabinet Retreat
September 11, 2021

Item C-1-b

The Arlington School Board convened on Saturday, September 11, 2021 at 9 AM at Washington-Liberty High School, 1301 N. Stafford Street, Arlington, VA.

Present was:

Barbara Kanninen, Chair
Reid Goldstein, Vice Chair
Cristina Diaz-Torres, Member
Monique O’Grady, Member
David Priddy, Member

Also present were:

Dr. Francisco Durán, Superintendent
Catherine Ashby, Assistant Superintendent, School and Community Relations
Kimberley Graves, Chief of School Support
Bridget Loft, Chief Academic Officer
Dr. John Mayo, Chief Operating Officer
Jason Ottley, Interim Chief Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Officer
Christine Smith, Legal Counsel
Brian Stockton, Chief of Staff

Dr. Kanninen called the meeting to order at 9 AM. She and Dr. Durán began with welcome remarks, briefly reviewing the retreat’s agenda, and introducing the staff and Board members.

Dr. Kanninen led the group in reviewing the MindTrackers profile of all participants and reflecting on the assessments as a team. MindTrackers is an online assessments tool to analyze an individual’s dominant communication styles and problem-solving strategies. She also led the Board and Cabinet in reviewing the Eight Characteristics of Effective School Boards, a publication from the NSBA, to highlight the roles played by School Boards in student achievement.

The Board briefly recessed at noon for a brief lunch and reconvened at 12:10 PM.

The second part of the retreat was spent by Dr. Durán presenting the Superintendent’s Action Plan with the Cabinet interjecting as needed, and the Board conversing on the information presented.

The meeting adjourned at 1 PM.

ATTEST:

Claudia Mercado, Clerk
Arlington School Board

Barbara Kanninen, Chair
Arlington School Board