

**ARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**Closed Meeting and FY 2023-2032 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Work Session #3 Meeting Minutes**  
**June 7, 2022**

The Arlington School Board convened on Tuesday, June 7, 2022, at 5:30 PM at 2110 Washington Blvd., Arlington, Virginia.<sup>1</sup>

**Present were:**

Dr. Barbara Kanninen, Chair

Reid Goldstein, Vice Chair

Cristina Diaz-Torres, Member (participated virtually using Microsoft Teams from Arlington, Virginia due to medical reasons)

Mary Kadera, Member (absent)

David Priddy, Member

**Also present were:**

Dr. Francisco Durán, Superintendent

Dr. John Mayo, Chief Operating Officer

**CALL TO ORDER AND CLOSED MEETING**

Dr. Kanninen called the meeting to order *and moved that the Board immediately convene in a closed meeting to consider as many as 29 appointments, 12 changes in position/salary, 31 resignations, and 5 retirements, as authorized by Virginia Code 2.2-3711(A)(1)*. The motion was seconded by Mr. Priddy, and it was adopted in a vote of 4 – 0, with Ms. Diaz-Torres, Mr. Goldstein, Dr. Kanninen, and Mr. Priddy voting affirmatively. Ms. Kadera was not present at the time of the vote.

The closed meeting adjourned at 6:15 PM and the Board reconvened in an open meeting.

*Dr. Kanninen moved to certify that pursuant to 2.2-3712(D) of the Code of Virginia, to the best knowledge of each School Board member, only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting just held, and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening this closed meeting were heard, discussed, or considered.* The motion was seconded by Mr. Priddy and was adopted in a vote of 4 – 0. The voting record is as follows: Ms. Diaz-Torres – Aye; Mr. Goldstein – Aye; Dr. Kanninen – Aye; and Mr. Priddy – Aye. Ms. Kadera was not present at the time of the vote.

Dr. Kanninen called for a brief recess at 6:15 PM. The Board reconvened in an open session at 6:32 p.m.

**Also present were:**

Dr. Francisco Durán, Superintendent

Dr. John Mayo, Chief Operating Officer

Brian Stockton, Chief of Staff

Leslie Peterson, Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Management Services

Reneé Harber, Assistant Superintendent of Facilities and Operations

Lisa Stengle, Executive Director of Planning and Evaluation

Jeff Chambers, Director of Design and Construction

Zac Pope, Director of Safety, Security, Risk, and Emergency Management

Rosa Cheney, Chair of the Advisory Council on School Facilities and Capital Programs (FAC)

Stacy Snyder, Vice Chair of the Joint Facilities Advisory Commission (JFAC)

Carmen Mejia, Deputy Clerk

Opening Statements

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Dr. Durán introduced the agenda and the topics for discussion. He also shared where the community could find the schedule for the CIP and other resources. He spoke about the plans for the temporary relocation of the Arlington Community High School for the Summer of 2023 until it moves to its permanent place at PenPlace in the Summer of 2026.

#### Advisory Chair Feedback on CIP

Ms. Snyder and Ms. Cheney summarized the missions and charge of the JFAC and FAC and their role to inform the CIP. They expressed their committee's concerns with the CIP and they shared recommendations to address their concerns. Referencing the APS alignment with County CIP, Ms. Snyder expressed the JFAC's desire for APS and the County to speak the same language when it relates to planning. Ms. Snyder and Ms. Cheney concluded by letting the School Board know they would share a detailed memorandum about CIP project recommendations from their respective committees.

#### Superintendent's Revision to CIP

Dr. Durán presented revisions to the proposed CIP which included enhancements to the security of the buildings and an update on the Career Center and Montessori campuses. Ms. Peterson talked about the safety and security projects and the adjustments made to the time frame. She explained the revisions made to the financial charts and the updates to the timeline for project completion. Mr. Chambers and Ms. Peterson answered questions regarding the Jefferson Middle School vestibule, the effect of project costs on the budget, and changes to The Heights Building. Ms. Peterson clarified the changes to The Heights Building by sharing information on the collaboration with the County. Dr. Kanninen explained that the County provided an after-the-fact contribution to this project.

#### School Board Discussion

The Board discussed the difference between the County and School Boards' CIP processes. They discussed the costs of the proposed projects and Board members opined on whether to include cost estimates or not on the proposed CIP, given that some of the projects were still being deliberated. Ms. Peterson explained the discrepancies in the bonding capacity numbers between the County and APS. Ms. Peterson then explained that the CIP is primarily bond-funded and gave an example of how bond funding can and cannot be used regarding swing space. Furthermore, they discussed adding a line item or placeholder on the costs for demolishing the Montessori Public School of Arlington as well as putting in a field. Mr. Chambers responded that an exact number could be given at the time and explained the reason for the placeholder.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:29 PM

#### **ATTEST:**

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Carmen Mejia, Deputy Clerk  
Arlington School Board

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Barbara Kanninen, Chair  
Arlington School Board

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