

ARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Closed Meeting Minutes
June 28, 2022

The Arlington School Board convened on Tuesday, June 28, 2022 at 5:30 PM at 2110 Washington Blvd., Arlington, Virginia.¹

Present were:

Barbara Kanninen, Chair
Reid Goldstein, Vice Chair
Cristina Diaz-Torres, Member
Mary Kadera, Member
David Priddy, Member

Also present were:

Dr. Francisco Durán, Superintendent
Christine Smith, Division Legal Counsel

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 discuss the performance of a public school employee, as authorized by Virginia Code §2.2-3711(A)(1) and to discuss the Grievability Determination for Cases SY22-06 through 4 (MB et al.)*. The motion was seconded by Mr. Priddy, and it was adopted in a vote of 5 – 0, with Ms. Diaz-Torres, Mr. Goldstein, Ms. Kadera, Dr. Kanninen, and Mr. Priddy voting affirmatively.

The closed meeting adjourned at 7 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 5 – 0. The voting record is as follows: Ms. Diaz-Torres – Aye; Mr. Goldstein – Aye; Ms. Kadera – Aye; Dr. Kanninen – Aye; and Mr. Priddy – Aye.

In Grievances SY22-06-1, 3, and 4 (MB, BP, EN), Dr. Kanninen moved that the Board find the matters to be non-grievable, and confirm that the Chair of the Board will issue a letter to that effect. The motion was seconded by Ms. Kadera and was adopted in a vote of 5 – 0. The voting record is as follows: Ms. Diaz-Torres – Aye; Mr. Goldstein – Aye; Ms. Kadera – Aye; Dr. Kanninen – Aye; and Mr. Priddy – Aye.

In grievance number SY22-06-2 (AK), Dr. Kanninen moved that the Board decide the issue of grievability on the basis of the existing written arguments; and further moved that the Board determine, for the reasons stated on behalf of the Grievant, that the issue AK raised is grievable; remand the matter to the appropriate step of the grievance process for the individual grievant; and authorize the Chair to issue a decision to that effect. The motion was seconded by Ms. Diaz-Torres and was adopted in a vote of 5 – 0. The voting record is as follows: Ms. Diaz-Torres – Aye; Mr. Goldstein – Aye; Ms. Kadera – Aye; Dr. Kanninen – Aye; and Mr. Priddy – Aye.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 PM.

ATTEST:

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Claudia Mercado, Clerk
Arlington School Board

Barbara Kanninen, Chair
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