

**ARLINGTON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF THE WORKSHOP MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
WEST ROAD INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL  
MARCH 11, 2014**

President Neil Martin called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm at West Road Intermediate School, 181 West Road, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569.

**1) Call to Order**

**Open Meeting      6:00 pm**

Motion by Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mr. McLeod, to adjourn the meeting in order to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing contractual negotiations with the ATAA, ATA, and AAA. The motion was carried unanimously.

**7:00 pm**

Motion by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mrs. Lappan, to re-open the meeting.

**2) Pledge of Allegiance**

- 3) **Roll Call**      Board Members present were Mrs. Baxter, Mrs. Eraca, Mr. Johnston, Mrs. Lappan, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCormick, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Rossi, and Mr. Shuttleworth. Also present were Dr. Lyons, Mr. Benante, Mrs. Donegan, Mrs. Muenkel, and Ms. Zimmerman.

- 4) **Reading of the District Mission**      By Neil Martin

- 5) **Board Communications**      There was an audience of approximately 35.

Mr. Martin stated there was an enthusiastic crowd of veterans at the Public Hearing. As a result of the Hearing, the board would like to allow Ms. Zimmerman to get the financials in place.

Mrs. Lappan stated that she and Mr. McCormick attended the Capital Conference in Albany. Everyone there was lobbying for the elimination of GEA, money by court order that was supposed to get distributed to the school districts. In Arlington's case the district lost \$33 million dollars.

- 6) **Public Comment**      None at this time.

7) ***Superintendent/  
Board President  
Report***

Dr. Lyons introduced Mrs. Heather Ogborn, Principal. She welcomed everyone to the Board Meeting. She gave a presentation entitled “5th Grade Math Lesson Study.” Ms. Galente, Director of Math, Science & Engineering, gave a brief overview of what a “lesson study” is, who participates, and how a lesson study works. On February 27, 2014, West Road Intermediate School conducted their first grade lesson study. Mrs. Ogborn reviewed who the participants were and how the planning went. They taught and observed. During their debriefing they discussed what worked and what needed changes. Mrs. Ogborn reviewed reflections and quotes from teachers. Ms. Theresa Renzo, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher, shared what a positive experience this was. By creating a lesson as a team, it prepared a strong lesson for the students.

Ms. Jordan Ballantyne, Student Government President, presented a report to the Board. She stated that the high school has a variety of events coming up in the near future: Relay for Life, Friends of Rachel, Volleyball Tournament, Ice Cream Social, and the annual co-basketball game. She also stated that the spring sports tryouts have begun.

Mr. Carmine Crisci, Director of Facilities and Operations, gave a brief update on the Energy Performance Contract. He reviewed the tasks completed, district priorities, proposed scope of work, and energy reductions. Ms. Zimmerman reviewed financials and the impact of a project as well as interest rates, building aide return, and bond percentages. Ms. Zimmerman also reviewed the timeline and the next steps.

Dr. Lyons and Ms. Zimmerman presented Budget Presentation #4. They gave an overview of the 2014-2015 Plan and Budget Proposal. They reviewed revenue resources, tax cap compliant budget, state aid, debt service fund, tax certiorari reserve and reserve history. They also went over budget facts, budget reductions and additions, tax impact, and the propositions under consideration. Mr. George Beckwith, Director of Transportation, gave a transportation update. He reviewed the proposed transportation proposition for the 2014-2015 school year. He spoke about the financial implication of the proposition, blacktop value added, and the proposed cost for the blacktop project with and without improving the storm water system. Mr. Carmine Crisci spoke about the possible Health, Safety & Security proposition, the proposed Noxon water project and abatement project as well as the proposed doors, hardware, and vestibules.

The Board of Education had a discussion regarding the Committee of the Whole. Mr. Martin, Board President, recommended that it becomes part of the communication work to handle issues and use the existing structure appropriately. The Board can proceed with the existing policy until such time as the Board can update the policy.

**8) New Business**

**a) Energy Performance Contract - Walk-on Addendum**

Motion by Mr. McLeod, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to modify the agenda to add the following addendum. The motion was carried unanimously.

Motion by Mrs. Baxter, seconded by Mr. Rossi, to approve the following addendum. The motion was carried unanimously.

**WHEREAS**, the Arlington Central School District (District) wishes to become as energy efficient as possible through installation of energy conservation measures and implementation of optimal operation and maintenance procedures, and

**WHEREAS**, the District wishes to implement a proposed comprehensive energy project on an energy performance contract basis, and solicited potential Energy Service Companies (ESCOs) through a Request for Proposals (RFP), and

**WHEREAS**, the District's Energy Performance Contract (EPC) Committee reviewed all proposals and rated them in accordance with the RFP and consulted with the District's architect/engineer to form its recommendation, and

**WHEREAS**, the recommendation of the EPC Committee is that the Johnson Controls, Inc. response to the RFP was the strongest proposal and that it would be in the best interest of the District to select Johnson Controls, Inc. as the firm to prepare the District's Investment Grade Energy Audit and proposed Energy Performance Contract, and

**WHEREAS**, the structure of the process as stated in the RFP is that the ESCO recommended by the Committee would be appointed to perform at no cost to the District a comprehensive audit of the District, finalizing the scope and financial cost of the proposed contract within the ESCO's initial RFP response in accordance with the limits required by the RFP, and with no financial obligation to the District until a contract is signed,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Johnson Controls, Inc. (Johnson Controls) is selected as the ESCO chosen to develop a specific detailed energy audit and contract, in the approximate sum of \$21,180,000.00 million, which delineates all services and equipment applicable to specific locations throughout the District and in accordance with the proposal submitted by Johnson Controls and modified during the review period, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the final proposal, the implementation of which is subject to the approval of the District's architect/engineer and counsel, and the approval of the New York State Education Department, will be presented for approval to the Board of Education by June 15, 2014 unless an extension is granted to Johnson Controls by the Board of Education.

**b) Board Policy: 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading and Adoption**

Motion by Mr. McLeod, seconded by Mr. Rossi, to approve the following resolution. The motion was carried unanimously.

***BE IT RESOLVED*** that the Board of Education has completed a 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adopts the policy listed below:

Policy	ERIE Number
Eligibility for Co-Curricular and Extra-Curricular Activities	5205

**c) Suspension**

Motion by Mrs. Eraca, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to approve the following resolution. The motion was carried unanimously.

***BE IT RESOLVED***, that the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent or his designee to implement the 30 day unpaid suspension of employee #116184, pending arbitration hearing. This will be effective beginning February 26, 2014.

**d) Arlington Teaching Assistants' Association Fact Finders Report**

Motion by Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mrs. Eraca, to approve the following resolution. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Board of Education accept the recommendations, as follows:

***WHEREAS*** the District and the Arlington Teaching Assistants' Association are in receipt of a Fact Finders Report from PERB Mediator Carol Wittenberg who has made recommendations for resolving the dispute between the parties regarding a successor collective bargaining agreement to the one between them that expired on June 30, 2012; and

***WHEREAS*** in the interest of promoting the mutual interests of the parties to resolve the pending negotiations in a fair and equitable manner based upon the terms in the Report of the parties' mutually selected Fact Finder;

***NOW, BE IT RESOLVED*** that the Board hereby accept the recommendations of Fact Finder, Carol Wittenberg, as set forth in her Report to the District and the ATAA dated February 14, 2014 as the settlement terms for a successor collective bargaining agreement covering the period from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2016, extending this offer of settlement for a period of ten (10) school days to enable the ATAA an opportunity to accept said report and enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the District.

9) **Workshop Consent Agenda**

a) **Approving Personnel Agenda**

i) **Certified Appointment**

The Board of Education approve the following appointment:

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Step</u></b>	<b><u>Schedule</u></b>	<b><u>Effective</u></b>
Michelle Hogan	0.2 FTE Sp. Ed., Private School	M 01	\$55,353 (pro-rated)	3/12/14

ii) **Classified Appointment**

The Board of Education approve the following appointment:

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Salary</u></b>	<b><u>Effective</u></b>
Marcia Avezzano	Reg. Prof. School Nurse, Arthur S. May	\$36,000 (pro-rated)	3/12/14

b) **Approving Consent Agenda**

Motion by Mrs. Lappan, seconded by Mr. Rossi, to approve the following resolution.  
The motion was carried unanimously.

***BE IT RESOLVED*** that the Board of Education approve the Consent Item 9a.

10) **Public Comment on Agenda Items Only (3 minutes per speaker)**

None at this time.

11) **Committee Reports/Board Reflections**

2013-2014 Board Committees:

- Mr. McLeod announced that the next Policy Committee Meeting will be held on March 18, 2014, at 6:30 pm at Central Administration Office.
- Mr. Rossi stated the Audit Committee met on March 10<sup>th</sup>. The Committee plans to bring forth a recommendation to the Board of Education at the next meeting.
- Mrs. Lappan stated that there was a lot of input at the Legislative Advocacy Public Meeting. Suggestions were made to change wording of the proposed resolution. Mrs. Lappan announced that the next meeting is scheduled for March 18, 2014, at 8:00 pm. Mrs. Lappan would like to place the resolution on the next agenda.

***12) Adjournment***

Motion by Mr. McCormick, seconded by Mr. Rossi, to adjourn the meeting at 11:20 pm. The motion was carried unanimously.

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**Margie Flynn, District Clerk**