

**ARLINGTON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF THE BUSINESS MEETING  
TITUSVILLE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL  
MARCH 24, 2015**

President Kelly Lappan called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at the Titusville Intermediate School, 128 Meadow Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

1) ***Call to Order***

***Open Meeting***        7:00 pm

2) ***Pledge of Allegiance***

- 3) ***Roll Call***                Board Members present were Mrs. Baxter, Mrs. Eraca, Mrs. Herr, Mrs. Lappan, Mr. McLeod, Mr. McCormick, Mr. Rossi, and Mr. Shuttleworth. Board Member absent was Mr. Bodnar. Also present were Dr. Lyons, Mr. Benante, Mrs. Flynn-Brown, and Mr. Sheldon.

Moment of Silence for Mary Ann Stolz. Mrs. Stolz worked as a nurse for LaGrange Middle School for 20 years.

- 4) ***Reading of the District Mission***        By Mrs. Lappan

- 5) ***Approval of the Agenda***                Motion by Mr. McLeod, seconded by Mr. Rossi, to approve the agenda as written. The motion was carried unanimously.

- 6) ***Correspondence***        No correspondence at this time.

- 7) ***Public Comment***        There was an audience of approximately 40.  
No public comment at this time.

- 8) ***Board President's Remarks***        No remarks at this time.

- 9) ***Superintendent's Remarks***        Dr. Brendan Lyons thanked Mr. Shornstein and the PTA for the refreshments. He introduced Mr. Dave Goddard, Athletic Director. Mr. Goddard recognized two students, James Asselmeyer and Bella Burda. He highlighted their many

achievements during the winter track season. He congratulated them on all their accomplishments and everyone wished them well in college.

#### 10) *Reports and Board Discussion Items*

##### **Arlington High School Student Government Report - Vaughn Feighan, AHS Student Body President & Skylar Christensen, AHS Student Body Vice President**

Vaughn Feighan and Skylar Christensen reported on the many events occurring at the high school. The “Cram the Classroom” event will continue through March 26<sup>th</sup>. The “Pops Concert” was held on March 22<sup>nd</sup>. It was a very nice event. Staff Appreciation Week is scheduled for April 13-17. This is a good time for the students to express their gratitude for the staff. The “4<sup>th</sup> Annual Gift of Hope Basketball Tournament” is scheduled for March 27<sup>th</sup>. The Junior Prom is scheduled for April 10<sup>th</sup> and the College Fair is scheduled for April 27<sup>th</sup>. The “Super Senior Prom” will take place on April 17<sup>th</sup>. This is an event for senior citizens. It will have a 50’s theme and an opportunity for dancing and fun.

##### **BOCES Budget Presentation - Dr. Linda Heitmann and Dr. Sherre Wesley**

Dr. Heitmann and Dr. Wesley thanked the Board of Education for inviting them to the meeting and also for the opportunity to present information for the proposed budget for the 2015-2016 school year. Since Dr. Pennoyer’s retirement BOCES has been very busy with the search process for the next superintendent. The presentation gave an overview of shared service, collaborative grants, and COSER enhancements. They reviewed the challenges and opportunities as well as the financial structure and administrative budget. They announced upcoming key dates:

April 8, 7:00 pm - BOCES Annual Meeting and Budget Hearing  
April 21- Component Board of Educations vote on Administrative  
Budget and BOCES Board Members  
May 1 - Final Service Requests due to BOCES

##### **Professional Learning Communities Report for Titusville Intermediate School – Mr. Daniel Shornstein**

Mr. Dan Shornstein welcomed Dr. Lyons, Board of Education, and the audience to the meeting. Mr. Shornstein, along with teachers, Ms. Lauchaire and Mr. Shave, spoke about the “Enrichment Block.” This program was created to focus on the 10% of students that struggle the most and on intervention where needed. The first clinic of the year was based on the 5<sup>th</sup> grade ELA writing. Examples of students’ progress were shared through a video. Mr. Shornstein also spoke about the “Book Buddies” program and how it has affected students in such a positive way.

**Debt Services Report– Mr. Kevin Sheldon and Mr. Chuck Bastian of Bernard P. Donegan, Inc.**

Mr. Sheldon and Mr. Bastian reviewed the debt service and how it will be managed over time. The current fund balance amount year ending June 30, 2009, through year ending June 30, 2014, was reviewed. The District's Moody's rating of Aa2 was discussed. They highlighted key comments by Moody's during their last rating update for the District's bond refinancing done in 2012. Mr. Bastian presented where the District is today, how the debt for the safety bond will be structured, future bus propositions, and other options available to the District to manage debt obligations.

Motion by Mr. McLeod, seconded by Mr. Rossi, to extend the meeting to 9:30 pm. The motion was carried unanimously.

**VoIP Proposal - Mr. Kevin Sheldon**

Mr. Sheldon presented the proposal for the VoIP system, a phone communication system that would be district-wide. The phone system will bring the District increased reliability, modern phone solution that is programmable, improved communication, increased student safety, and savings over time. Features include Caller ID, contact lists, and integrated voicemail. Mr. Sheldon explained how the proposed system will save the District money.

11) **New Business**

a) **Board Policies: 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

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

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education has reviewed the below Policies as a Second Reading and Adoption:

Policy	Policy Number
Nomination and Election of Board Officers and Duties of the President and Vice President	1320
Annual Organizational Meeting	1330
Duties of the School Attorney	1337
Duties of the School Physician/Nurse Practitioner	1338
Designated Official for Purposes of Reporting Criminal Sentences to School	1340

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***b) Delete Policies***

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

**BE IT RESOLVED**, at the recommendation of the Policy Committee, the Board of Education approves the deletion of the following policies:

Delete	Policy Number
Board Officers	2220
Board Reorganizational Meeting	2210
School Attorney	2270
Designated Education Official for Purposes of Reporting Criminal Sentences to School	2210.1

***c) Annual Meeting Notice***

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

**ARLINGTON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
DUTCHESS COUNTY, NEW YORK  
NOTICE OF ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING AND  
ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

The Board of Education of the Arlington Central School District, Dutchess County, New York, HEREBY GIVES NOTICE THAT, the Annual School District Meeting, including Election, Budget Vote and Vote on Propositions of the qualified voters of said School District will be held at the places hereinafter set forth on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2015 between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., Eastern Daylight Savings time, to vote by voting machine for the purposes hereinafter set forth. And notice is also given that at such annual meeting voting will take place on the budget for 2015-2016. A public hearing will be held for the purpose of discussion of the budget on May 12, 2015 at Noxon Elementary School at 7:00 p.m.

**AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN THAT** a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required for the ensuing year for school purposes, exclusive of public money, may be obtained by any resident of the District during the fourteen (14) days immediately preceding the annual meeting, except Saturdays, Sundays or holidays, at each of the school houses in the District between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., at any public or free association library in the District and on the District website. A Real Property Tax Exemption Report prepared in accordance with

Section 495 of the Real Property Tax Law will be annexed to any budget of which it will form a part; and shall be posted on District bulletin board(s) maintained for public notices, as well as on the District's website.

**AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN THAT** petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education must be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the District whose office is in the Administration Building, 144 Todd Hill Road, LaGrangeville, New York, not later than 5:00 p.m. on April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015. The following vacancies are to be filled on the Board of Education:

<b><u>TERMS</u></b>	<b><u>NAME OF LAST INCUMBENT</u></b>
3 Years	Edward McCormick
3 Years	Charles McLeod
3 Years	Steven Rossi

Vacancies on the Board of Education are not to be considered separate specific offices. The nominating petitions in each case shall not describe any specific vacancy for which the candidate is nominated. Candidates who receive a plurality of the votes cast respectively for the several offices are to be declared elected. Each petition must be directed to the Clerk of the District, must be signed by at least sixty-nine (69) qualified voters of the District and must state the name and residence address of the candidate and the residence address of each signer of the petition. Section 2032 (2)(b) of the Education Law requires that candidates for vacancies shall be arranged on the ballot according to lot and the Clerk of the Board shall conduct the drawing on the date following the last possible date for candidates to file a petition.

**AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN THAT** the voters shall vote, by voting machine, on the following propositions:

- 1) **THE BUDGET PROPOSITION** - The appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures for school district purposes for the 2015-2016 school year (the budget).
- 2) **BOND PROPOSITION - PURCHASE OF SCHOOL BUSES**

**RESOLVED:**

- (a) That the Board of Education of the Arlington Central School District, in the County of Dutchess, New York (the "District"), is hereby authorized to purchase various buses, vehicles and equipment for use by the District; and to expend therefor, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof, an amount not to exceed the estimated total cost of \$2,008,500;
- (b) that a tax is hereby voted in the amount of not to exceed \$2,008,500 to finance such cost, such tax to be levied and collected in installments in such years and in such amounts as shall be determined by said Board of Education; and
- (c) that in anticipation of said tax, bonds of the District are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of not to exceed \$2,008,500 and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on said bonds as the same shall become due and payable.

Such Propositions shall appear on the ballot labels to be inserted in the voting machines used for voting at said Annual District Meeting and Election in substantially the following abbreviated form:

### BOND PROPOSITION

#### RESOLVED:

(a) That the Board of Education of the Arlington Central School District, in the County of Dutchess, New York (the "District"), is hereby authorized to purchase various buses, vehicles and equipment, and to expend therefore an amount not to exceed \$2,008,500 (b) that a tax is hereby voted therefor in the amount of not to exceed \$2,008,500 to finance such cost, such tax to be levied and collected in installments in such years and in such amounts as shall be determined by said Board of Education; and (c) that in anticipation of said tax, bonds of the District are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of not to exceed \$2,008,500 and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on said bonds as the same shall become due and payable.

### 3) PROPOSITION – TUCKER DRIVE LEASE RENEWAL

#### RESOLVED:

That the Board of Education of the Arlington Central School District, in the County of Dutchess, New York (the "District"), is hereby authorized to renew its lease with 10 Tucker Drive, LLC for an additional 5 years, for the purpose of operating a Transportation Garage for the District at 10 Tucker Drive, Poughkeepsie, New York, at an initial rent of \$5,356.00 per month to be increased annually by three percent (3%).

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that the election and vote upon the budget and propositions shall be held in each election district at the places designated as follows:

**DISTRICT #1 – Register and vote at the Arthur S. May Elementary School.** Election District #1 coincides with the geographic boundaries of the Arthur S. May Elementary School attendance area. A list of streets in the attendance area may be obtained from the District clerk. A street list identifying the proper elementary or primary school attendance area may also be found at the District's web site, [www.arlingtonschools.org](http://www.arlingtonschools.org). After accessing the main menu click on "Community," then click on "Voter Information." Each street is listed in alphabetical order under the elementary or primary school attendance area."

**DISTRICT #2 – Register and vote at Traver Road Primary School.** Election District #2 coincides with the geographic boundaries of the Traver Road Primary School attendance area. A list of streets in the attendance area may be obtained from the District clerk. A street list identifying the proper elementary or primary school attendance area may also be found at the District's web site, [www.arlingtonschools.org](http://www.arlingtonschools.org). After accessing the main menu click on "Community," then click on "Voter Information." Each street is listed in alphabetical order under the elementary or primary school attendance area."

**DISTRICT #3 – Register and vote at Overlook Primary School.** Election District #3 coincides with the geographic boundaries of the Overlook Primary School attendance area. A list of streets in the attendance area may be obtained from the District clerk. A street list identifying the proper elementary or primary school attendance area may also be found at the District's web site, [www.arlingtonschools.org](http://www.arlingtonschools.org). After accessing the main menu click on "Community," then click on "Voter Information." Each street is listed in alphabetical order under the elementary or primary school attendance area."

**DISTRICT #4 – Register and vote at Noxon Road Elementary School.** Election District #4 coincides with the geographic boundaries of the Noxon Road Elementary School attendance area. A list of streets in the attendance area may be obtained from the District clerk. A street list identifying the proper elementary or primary school attendance area may

also be found at the District's web site, [www.arlingtonschools.org](http://www.arlingtonschools.org). After accessing the main menu click on "Community," then click on "Voter Information." Each street is listed in alphabetical order under the elementary or primary school attendance area."

**DISTRICT #5 – Register and vote at Beekman Elementary School.** Election District #5 coincides with the geographic boundaries of the Beekman Elementary School attendance area. A list of streets in the attendance area may be obtained from the District clerk. A street list identifying the proper elementary or primary school attendance area may also be found at the District's web site, [www.arlingtonschools.org](http://www.arlingtonschools.org). After accessing the main menu click on "Community," then click on "Voter Information." Each street is listed in alphabetical order under the elementary or primary school attendance area."

**DISTRICT #6 – Register and vote at Vail Farm Elementary School.** Election District #6 coincides with the geographic boundaries of the Vail Farm Elementary School attendance area. A list of streets in the attendance area may be obtained from the District clerk. A street list identifying the proper elementary or primary school attendance area may also be found at the District's web site, [www.arlingtonschools.org](http://www.arlingtonschools.org). After accessing the main menu click on "Community," then click on "Voter Information." Each street is listed in alphabetical order under the elementary or primary school attendance area."

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that, pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law, no person shall be entitled to vote at the Annual District Meeting whose name does not appear on the register of the School District, or who does not register as herein provided. Any person who is registered to vote and has voted at any annual or special meeting or election during the four (4) calendar years prior to the year in which such register is being prepared, need not re-register.

**NOTICE** is also given that any person, otherwise qualified to vote, who is currently registered for any general election, pursuant to Section 5-612 of the Election Law, shall be entitled to vote without further registration pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law.

**AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN** that the register prepared pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law and the Dutchess County Voter Enrollment List encompassing the School District will be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the District in the Administration Building; that same will be open for inspection by any qualified voter of the District between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on each of the five days prior to and the date set for election, except Sunday.

**AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN** that the qualified voters of the District may register in the election district in which they reside on any day school is in session between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. or at the office of the District Clerk at 144 Todd Hill Road, LaGrangeville, New York, and in addition on May 12, 2015, between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. at the following Schools:

- School Election District #1 – Arthur S. May Elementary
- School Election District #2 – Traver Road Primary
- School Election District #3 – Overlook Primary
- School Election District #4 – Noxon Road Elementary
- School Election District #5 – Beekman Elementary
- School Election District #6 – Vail Farm Elementary

No person shall be entitled to vote whose name does not duly appear upon the school register or the registration list furnished by the Dutchess County Board of Elections for the election districts encompassing the school district.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that applications for absentee ballots for the Annual District Meeting and Vote may be obtained at the Office of the District Clerk. Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter (May 12, 2015) or the day before the

election (May 19, 2015), if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter at the District Office. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued will be filed in the Office of the Clerk, and will be available for public inspection in the Office of the Clerk during regular office hours until the day of the election. Any qualified voter may file a written challenge of the qualifications of a voter, whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for the challenge.

**NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN** that aside from the meeting of the Board of Registration as designated above by resolution of the Board of Education, that pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law, the Board of Registration will meet during the Annual District Meeting at the places where the election is held, for the purposes of preparing a register for any meeting or election held after the Annual District Meeting.

**AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that any proposition or question not requiring official notice in the call of the Annual District Meeting may be voted upon at said meeting, providing a petition signed by at least **one hundred and seventy one (171)** qualified voters, together with the legal residence address of each, is filed with the Clerk of the District no later than thirty (30) days before the vote.

**d) Board of Education Resolution**

Motion by Mr. Shuttleworth, seconded by Mr. Mcleod, to approve the following resolution. The motion was carried 7-1, Mr. Rossi opposed.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education re-approves the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the Arlington Central School District Board of Education asserts the following:

**PREFACE**

- Our district mission is to empower all students to be self-directed, lifelong learners, who willingly contribute to their community, and lead passionate, purposeful lives.
- The intent and result of all district activities must be to further our district mission.
- The Arlington Central School District will comply with state and federal laws and regulations as required, but reserves the right to advocate for changes to those laws and regulations when warranted.

**Common Core**

- A consistent, results-driven and viable curriculum is an essential means of ensuring student success.
- We specifically reserve the right to create our own local curriculum to meet overarching Common Core standards and reserve the right to differentiate instruction based upon individual students' needs.
- The Common Core Learning Standards provide a framework for districts to create a viable curriculum focusing on deeper thinking, thorough understanding and real world application. The Arlington Central School District recognizes that the standards hold intrinsic value, but acknowledges flaws in New York State's implementation thereof and the resulting burden placed on our school community.

**Assessment**

- The only valuable assessments are those specifically intended to improve our students' educational performance.

- Standardized assessments merely provide an audit of school progress towards learning standards. They are a “snapshot” and not intended to constitute an educational experience.
- Our curriculum will never support “teaching to the test” at the expense of students’ continuing classroom educational experience.
- In order for assessments to guide student improvement, they must specifically relate to and reflect the taught curriculum. Results should be accessible in a sufficiently timely manner so that teachers can use them to modify their work with students as needed.
- The results of new and unproven assessments should be dealt with in a rational and practical manner and should not be given undue weight when making employment or other key decisions.
- We believe that new curriculum and related assessments require sufficient time for thoughtful and careful implementation.
- Our students should never be made to feel that any standardized test solely defines them in any way. We decline to determine student placement based solely upon the result of a single standardized test.
- Students should undergo the minimum amount of testing needed to determine their progress. The length and content of each assessment should be age and developmentally appropriate. The language used should be accessible and understandable by the relevant grade level.

#### **Annual Professional Performance Review (APPR)**

- The local school board has the right to ultimately determine who should be employed by the district, based upon their commitment to the district mission and student achievement.
- Annual professional performance reviews for teachers and administrators are an essential element of professional growth and school improvement and are intended to stimulate dialogue to provide support where needed. The results should be used to improve the education provided to our students.
- The performance review process should be derived from District and Building goals in the spirit of continuous improvement, with the APPR evaluation process being incidental to such review.
- A comprehensive performance review process must include multiple measures, including clinical evaluation and examination of evidence of student learning and growth.
- A 100-point scale is an arbitrary measure of teacher and principal performance. If there is no benefit or additional information derived by force-fitting evaluation results into a 100-point scale to promote student achievement or if there are additional costs with no corresponding benefit to students, then the scale is not appropriate and should not be used.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that based upon the above beliefs, the Arlington Board of Education asks for cooperation and support in advocating for changes to those State and Federal rules, laws and regulations which run counter to our beliefs and the best interests of Arlington students. These include but are not limited to:

- Advocacy with the NY State Education Department and the NY State Board of Regents to allow more time for Common Core Learning Standards implementation, and to ensure that assessments are developmentally appropriate and of minimal length
- Advocacy with the NY State Education Department to receive standardized test results in a timely manner
- Advocacy with the NY State Legislature to modify education law 1) to remove the performance scale for teachers and principals and replace it with locally determined criteria, 2) to only require pre-assessments when the local district believes they will provide information that is not already available to the teacher and student, and 3) to ensure that any data provided to the

State Education Department in any manner will be used only for its intended purpose, and that such data will be secure from any other use.

- Advocacy with the NY State Legislature and Governor Cuomo to eliminate the Gap Elimination Adjustment for schools entirely, since the GEA violates the NY State Constitution by failing to provide adequate resources to enable all students to receive a sound, basic education.
- Advocacy with the United States Congress 1) to modify the Elementary and Secondary Education Act to remove arbitrary consequences based on student test data that is not research-based, and 2) to support and enhance public education as a necessary component of a democratic society rather than undermining the institution of public education by supporting unproven and harmful alternatives to public education.

**AND THEREFORE, BE IT ALSO RESOLVED** that the Arlington Board of Education reaffirms its commitment to the continued well-being and success of our students, staff and community.

Motion by Mr. McLeod, seconded by Mr. Rossi, to extend the meeting to 9:45 pm. The motion was carried unanimously.

***e) Consulting Services Agreement***

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

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approves an agreement with The Center for Discovery, Inc., The Discovery Health Center, to provide speech-language services for students referred for these evaluations and to assure appropriate provision of assistive technology assessments. The cost for these services are as follows: Assistive Technology Assessment - \$900; Post-Implementation Evaluation and/or Training and Consultation (at Discovery Health Center) - \$150 per hour; Post-Implementation and/or Training and Consultation (at student's home school site) - \$200 per hour

***f) Voice over Internet Protocol***

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

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education adopts a resolution approving a contract with Dutchess BOCES for the acquisition of computer/telecommunication equipment through a five year installment purchase agreement commencing in the 2014-15 school year with a maximum total principal cost not to exceed \$625,000 and further that the Arlington Central School District will pay the Dutchess BOCES through its regular monthly billing cycle over the five year period to commence during the 2014-15 school year.

***g) Classified Settlement Agreement***

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

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute the Settlement Agreement with Employee #112885 dated March 16, 2015, as presented to the Board at this meeting. A copy of this Settlement Agreement shall be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

***h) Certified Settlement Agreement***

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

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes its President to sign a settlement agreement regarding Employee #131965, dated March 12, 2015, as presented to the Board at this meeting. A copy of said agreement shall be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

***i) Questar III Fund Surplus Resolution Agreement and Release***

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

**FUND SURPLUS RESOLUTION AGREEMENT AND RELEASE**

This Fund Surplus Resolution Agreement And Release (“Agreement”) is by and between the Arlington CSD (“District”), 144 Todd Hill Road, LaGrangeville NY 12540, and the Board of Cooperative Educational Services Rensselaer - Columbia - Greene Counties (“Questar III”, which shall be defined to include Questar III’s Board members, administrators, officers, employees, attorneys, agents, representatives, successors and assigns), 10 Empire State Boulevard, Castleton, NY 12033. The District and Questar III may be referred to collectively herein as the “Parties.”

WHEREAS, Questar III retained D’Arcangelo & Co, LLP (“D’Arcangelo”) to conduct an independent audit of the funds that Questar III has accrued for purposes of satisfying future liabilities for post-retirement and other post-employment benefits (“OPEB”); and

WHEREAS, D’Arcangelo issued an Agreed-Upon Procedures Report on July 21, 2014 (the “Report”) which, among other things, confirmed the total balance of funds accrued by Questar III for OPEB purposes as of June 30, 2013 and, of that balance, amounts that could be returned to the component and non-component school districts who participated in the relevant programs conducted by Questar III (“Accrual Amount”); and

WHEREAS, the Questar III Board has adopted a plan by which the OPEB Accrual Amount will be returned to such component and non-component school districts (the “Plan”), utilizing the basis for return set forth in the Report, and

WHEREAS, the Plan has received approval from the State Education Department; and

WHEREAS, the Parties hereto wish to memorialize the terms by which the District will participate in the Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE PARTIES HEREBY AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Questar III will return to the District a total of \$1,026.43 (the “Payment Amount”), which by this Agreement shall be deemed to constitute the District’s full and complete entitlement to its share of the OPEB Accrual Amount. The Payment Amount shall be returned over a period not to exceed five years as follows:

**District: Arlington CSD**

<b>Year ending June 30,</b>	<b>OPEB Accruals Return to be Credited to Administrative Levy</b>	<b>% of Total Return to District</b>
<b>2016</b>	\$1,026.43	100
<b>Total Return of OPEB Accruals to District</b>	\$1,026.43	100

The Payment Amount as set forth above shall be returned in the form of a credit against the amount that the District otherwise is required to contribute to Questar III for non-component district CoSer charges in each of the school years set forth in the Payment Schedule above. If the portion of the Payment Amount to be returned in any school year exceeds the amount that the District must otherwise remit to Questar III, the excess balance shall be added to the portion of the Payment Amount to be returned in the next subsequent school year pursuant to the above Payment Schedule. If any such excess balance remains after the final year of the Payment Schedule, the excess balance shall be credited against the District’s required contribution to Questar III in the next subsequent school year, and any additional school years as may be necessary to fully return the Payment Amount to the District. In no case shall Questar III be required to return any portion of the Payment

Amount in the form of a cash payment to the District, or in any other manner except as set forth herein.

2. The District hereby accepts the return of the Payment Amount, as set forth herein, as full and complete satisfaction of any claim or entitlement the District would otherwise have, by law, contract, equity or otherwise, to return of any portion of the Accrual Amount.

3. In consideration for the return of the Payment Amount as set forth herein, the District hereby releases and discharges Questar III from any and all obligations, claims or liabilities, of any nature, that relate to the Accrual Amount and/or Questar III's OPEB accruals up to the date of execution of this Agreement, and the District hereby agrees that it will not commence, maintain or cooperate with any action, proceeding or claim in law or equity, of any nature or in any forum, against Questar III in relation to the Accrual Amount and/or Questar III's OPEB accruals up to the date of execution of this Agreement, which shall include but not be limited to any action, proceeding or claim in law or equity, seeking to recover (a) any portion of the Accrual Amount beyond that which is set forth in this Agreement, or (b) any other payment or relief that relates in any way to the Accrual Amount and/or Questar III's OPEB accruals up to the date of execution of this Agreement.

4. The District agrees that presentation of this Agreement shall serve as the District's unqualified and irrevocable consent to discontinue with prejudice any action, proceeding or claim in law or equity, commenced or maintained by or on behalf of the District and/or its officers in violation of the terms of this Agreement.

5. The Parties affirm that this Agreement fully and completely sets forth the agreed upon resolution of any rights, entitlements or claims that the District may have in relation to the Accrual Amount, and that no other promises or agreements have been made or would be effective in relation to the Accrual Amount.

The District and Questar III hereby each respectively affirm that the execution of this Agreement has been authorized by action of its Board of Education.

12) **Business Consent Agenda**

i) **Approval of Minutes**

The Board of Education approves the Minutes of the March 10<sup>th</sup> Business Meeting and the Minutes of the March 10<sup>th</sup> Executive Session.

j) **Approving Personnel Agenda**

i) **Certified Retirement**

The Board of Education accepts the following resignation for the purpose of retirement:

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Effective</u></b>
Jane Parente	PT Contractual TA/Health Aide, Union Vale Middle	7/1/15

ii) **Certified Appointments**

The Board of Education approves the following appointments: An asterisk (\*) before the name of any individual below indicates that the appointment is conditional pending clearance for employment by the Office of School Personnel Review and Accountability.

<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>
Anthony DiUglio	Temp. Mathematics, Arlington High	B 01	\$51,452 (prorated)	2/18/15-6/30/15
Jeanette Florie	Hourly TA/Health Aide, Joseph D'Aquanni/West Road Intermediate	H 01	\$12.50/hr.	3/16/15
Peter Amen	PT Contractual TA, Arthur S. May	H 01	\$15,308 (prorated)	3/25/15

iii) **Certified Leave**

The Board of Education approves the following unpaid leave of absence:

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Effective</u></b>
Allison Whitted	Remedial Speech, Arthur S. May	4/24/15-4/24/15

iv) **Certified Co-Curricular Appointments**

The Board of Education approves the following co-curricular appointments:

**Arlington High School:**

**Interscholastic:**

Athletic Director Support Liaison - Spring -	David Goddard
Baseball - Freshman, Head Coach -	Leonard Costable
Baseball - Varsity "B" Coach, Volunteer -	Brendan Veronesi
Cheerleading - JV Coach, Winter -	Venessa Stevens
Cheerleading - Varsity Coach, Winter -	Kathleen Hegarty

**Co-curricular:**

Crew - Volunteer -	Christopher Curry
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**LaGrange Middle School:**

**Intramurals:**

Yoga, Spring -	Carmine Anastasio
Volleyball, Spring -	Carmine Anastasio

**Union Vale Middle School:****Intramurals:**

Team Hand Ball -

Gail Lynch

Wiffleball -

Matthew Fiedler

**Co-curricular:**

Musical Co-assistant Director -

Eileen Sclafani (replacing Mary Sclafani who was previously approved on 2/24/15)

**v) Student Activity Fund Stipend (Reimbursement funds raised through Student Activity Fund)**

The Board of Education approves the following appointments:

<b><u>Names</u></b>	<b><u>Stipend</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>	<b><u>School</u></b>
Tyler Albrecht	Asst. Varsity Baseball	\$1,500	Arlington High
Christia Besko	Asst. Varsity A Softball	\$2,800	Arlington High
Michael Wiesenthal	Asst. Varsity Boys Lacrosse	\$2,500	Arlington High

**vi) Accompanists**

The Board of Education approves the following appointments:

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>
Cathy Reale	\$74 per event
Eric Wagner	\$74 per event

**vii) Certified Substitutes**

The Board of Education approves the appointment of the following individuals to the substitute list in the below category in the 2014-2015 school year:

**Certified Teachers**

Kevin Miller

Julie Pelusio

**viii) Classified Appointments**

The Board of Education approves the following appointments:

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Salary</u></b>	<b><u>Effective</u></b>
Richard Coschigano	Bus Driver	\$17,264 (prorated)	4/1/15
Tania Rodriguez	Food Service Helper, Arlington High	\$11.12/hr.	3/25/15

**ix) Classified Change of Appointment Date**

The Board of Education approves the following change of appointment date:

<u><b>Name</b></u>	<u><b>Position</b></u>	<u><b>Effective</b></u>
Ashley Cirone	Bus Monitor	2/23/15*
*Previously Board approved on 2/24/15 as 2/17/15.		

x) **Classified Substitutes**

The Board of Education approves the appointment of the following individuals to the substitute list in the below category in the 2014-2015 school year: An asterisk (\*) before the name of any individual below indicates that the appointment is conditional pending clearance for employment by the Bus Driver Certification Unit.

**Transportation**

\*Joseph Pessy

\*Michael Tomasko

xi) **Instructional Employees**

The Board of Education approves the following:

WHEREAS, the Board for reasons of economy and efficiency, has determined that it is appropriate to abolish certain pedagogical positions in the District;

The Board hereby abolishes the following positions, effective close of business on June 30, 2015:

1.0 FTE Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education

1.0 FTE Supervisor of Special Projects

xii) **Civil Service Employees**

That the Board of Education approves the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board for reasons of economy and efficiency, has determined that it is appropriate to abolish certain civil service positions in the District;

That the Board hereby abolishes the following position, effective close of business on June 30, 2015:

1.0 FTE Senior Cook Manager

k) **Approving Special Services**

i) **CSE & CPSE Designations and Placements**

The Board of Education approves the CSE & CPSE designations and placements.

ii) **Election Inspectors**

The Board of Education appoints the following named qualified voters of the Arlington Central School District as election personnel for the vote on May 19, 2015. Election Inspector's rate of pay is \$12.50/hr. Head Election Inspector, one per building, will receive their regular hourly rate. Machine Trained Inspectors will receive \$200.00 for the full day (two per location mandated by Board of Elections) and the Voting Machine Technician (one for all polling locations mandated by Board of Elections) will receive \$250.00 for the full day.

**District 1 – Arthur S. May**

Luz Miranda – Head Election Inspector  
Julie Smith  
Kimberly Knox  
Nyhisha Gibbs  
Robin Piggott  
Donna Smith  
Elizabeth Koustoubekis  
Christine O'Connell  
Amanda Miranda  
Joan Cox  
Kimmy McKeon  
Nancy McCombs  
Stephanie Maxwell

**District 2 – Traver Road**

Jayne Murphy - Head Election Inspector  
Mary-Ellen Borchert  
Dana Sullivan  
Maguerite McFadden  
Patti Thompson  
Barbara Beckley  
Gail Rau  
Kim Carlin  
Beatrice Simoni  
Katherine Armbuster-Kittle  
Judy Gaddis  
Carmela Powers  
Sarah Borchert  
Parker Simoni

**District 3 – Overlook Primary**

Jo Ann Wright - Head Election Inspector  
Ellen Fincham  
Donna Gunderson  
Robyn Guillen

Donna Hough  
Linda Polhemus  
Kathy Poponiak  
Jeanie Uhle

**District 4 – Noxon Road**

Maura Rhonda - Head Election Inspector  
Carol Debellis  
Susan Harsch  
Elaine Maddox  
Susan Nowak  
Elena Seaman  
Joy Silicato  
Elena Snyder  
Trena Swart  
Marisa Rodriguez  
Theresa Wechsler

**District 5 – Beekman Elementary**

Dorothy LaGuardia - Head Election Inspector  
Penny Sawner  
Patricia DeMasi  
Ellen Wawryk  
Laura Doyle  
Linda Ragusa  
Lisa Swanson  
Virginia Colucci  
Nancy Venditti

**District 6 – Vail Farm Elementary**

Cathi DeLeon - Head Election Inspector  
Claudette Mack  
Danni DeLeon  
Nicholas Zilempe  
Colleen Gruszecki  
Beatrice Simoni  
Lynn Cavell  
Patty Angelucci  
Dolores DiStefano  
Karin Riley  
Eileen Guszecki  
Abbey Weiner

**Machine Trained Inspectors**

**Arthur S. May Elementary School**

James Dworak  
Margaret Bright

**Traver Road Primary School**

Jean Albrecht  
Marilyn Smith

**Overlook Primary School**

Thomas Mandato  
Mary Sheridan

**Noxon Road Elementary School**

Virginia Condon  
Cynthia Lewin

**Beekman Elementary School**

Susan Temple  
Dewey Lee

**Vail Farm Elementary School**

Gerald Hirons  
John Casserly

**Voting Machine Technician (for all polling locations)**

Lou Guglielmetti

**I) Approving Business and Finance Items**

**i) Treasurer's Report for the month of December 2014**

The Board of Education accepts the Treasurer's Report for the month of December 2014.

**ii) Budget Appropriation Transfer for the month of December 2014**

The Board of Education , as required by the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education, hereby approves General Fund Budget Appropriation Transfer, as follows:

Budget Appropriation Transfer  
2014/2015

Month	Fund	Amount
December	General Fund	\$32,077.00

iii) **Internal Claims Audit for the month of February 2015**

The Board of Education accepts the Internal Claims Audit Report for the month of February 2015, as submitted by the Internal Claims Auditor.

iv) **Extraclassroom Activity Purpose Statements**

The Board of Education approves the following Extraclassroom Activities:

AHS

Tri-M Music Honor Society

v) **Health and Welfare Services Billing**

The Board of Education approves Health and Welfare Services Contracts, as listed below:

<i>School District</i>	<i># of Students</i>	<i>Cost per Student</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Hyde Park Central School District	23	\$816.00	\$18,768.00
Somers Central School District	18	\$984.13	\$17,714.34
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$36,482.34</b>

vi) **Health and Welfare Services 2014-2015 Fee Calculation**

The Board of Education hereby establishes the 2014-2015 Health & Welfare Services Fee at the amount of \$664.48 per pupil.

**Approving Consent Agenda**

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

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Education approves the consent items 12a. through 12d.

13) **Public Comment**

Resident, Mrs. Maloney, was interested in attending committee meetings and asked about how they are publicized.

Resident, Keith Hindleman, shared concerns regarding the VoIP system.

14) **Committee Reports**

Policy	Mr. McLeod, Chairperson, announced that the next Policy meeting is scheduled for April 24 <sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm at Central Administration Office.
Audit/Finance	No report at this time.

Advocacy                      Mr. Shuttleworth, Chairperson, reported that the meeting with Assemblyman Lalor has been rescheduled for April 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. The next Advocacy meeting is scheduled for April 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm at Central Administration Office. Mrs. Lappan stated she attended the Capital Conference in Albany on March 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. She stated it was a good session.

15) **Organization Report**

No report at this time.

16) **Superintendent Closing Remarks**

No closing remarks at this time.

17) **Board Reflections**

Board Member, Jennifer Eraca, asked that the number of items in future agendas be examined to possibly stay within the timeframe of the meeting.

18) **Adjournment**

Motion by Mr. McCormick, seconded by Mrs. Baxter, to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:45 pm. The motion was carried unanimously.

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Margie Flynn, District Clerk