

**ARLINGTON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE BUSINESS MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION OFFICE
APRIL 22, 2014**

President Neil Martin called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at Central Administration Office, 144 Todd Hill Road, LaGrangeville, NY 12540.

1) Call to Order

Open Meeting 7:00 pm

Board Members present were Mrs. Baxter, Mr. Johnston, Mrs. Lappan, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCormick, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Rossi, and Mr. Shuttleworth. Board Member absent was Mrs. Eraca. Also present were Dr. Lyons, Mr. Benante, Mrs. Donegan, Mrs. Muenkel, and Ms. Zimmerman.

Motion by Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mr. Shuttleworth, to open the Business Meeting. The motion was carried unanimously.

2) Pledge of Allegiance

3) Roll Call

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

**5) Board
Communications** Mr. Neil Martin read a letter he received from Mrs. Kelly Ann Kostyal-Larrier. Mr. Martin shared concerns regarding Board Members having conversations with potential candidates. He contacted NYSSBA and their recommendation is to plan a Board breakfast where everyone could meet and speak to residents that are interested in running for a seat on the Board.

The Board discussed the dissemination of flyers for potential candidates throughout the district.

6) Public Comment There was an audience of approximately 20.

None at this time.

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

The District Clerk reported the upcoming events for May, 2014.

The Board Members discussed possible changes to school funding. An article entitled, "Lawmakers Seek New Ways to Fund Schools," was distributed to the Board. Mr. Shuttleworth stated that officials are looking at different ways to change the funding for the public education system. Several proposals have been made. One suggestion is to tax residents based on income.

8) ***New Business***

a) ***Dutchess County BOCES Administrative Budget***

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 approve the Dutchess County BOCES Administrative Budget for 2014-2015 in the amount of \$4,233,350.

b) ***BOCES Vacancies***

Whereas there are two vacancies in the BOCES Board of Education to be filled at their annual election; and whereas the candidates for such vacancies are:

Thomas Hurley
Michael Riehl
Robert Rubin

The seats are for three-year terms. The district can vote for ONLY two – but is not obligated to do so.

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Arlington Central School District Board of Education does hereby vote for Thomas Hurley to fill a vacancy on the BOCES Board of Education.

Motion by Mrs. Baxter, seconded by Mr. McLeod, to approve the following resolution. The motion was defeated 4-4.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Arlington Central School District Board of Education does hereby vote for Michael Riehl to fill a vacancy on the BOCES Board of Education.

Motion by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. McLeod, to approve the following resolution. The motion was defeated 4-4.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Arlington Central School District Board of Education does hereby vote for Robert Rubin to fill a vacancy on the BOCES Board of Education.

c) **Board Policy: 2nd 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 reviewed the below Policies as a Second Reading and Adoption:

Policy	ERIE Number
Selection Classification Policy	5281

d) **Spanish Textbook Adoption**

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education adopt Houghton Mifflin Harcourt *Avancemos Level 1* as a curriculum resource to teach Spanish Level 1 for the 2014-2015 school year, total cost \$80,702.

e) **Award of RFP for Real Estate Appraiser**

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education award the request for Proposal for Real Estate Appraiser Services to Hudson Valley Appraisal Corporation in the amount of \$5,800.00.

f) **Corrective Action Plan**

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accept the Corrective Action Plan as prepared by Robin Zimmerman, Assistant Superintendent for Business, in response to the 2013-2014 Informational Technology Audit prepared by R. S. Abrams & Co., LLP.

9) **Business Consent Agenda**

a) **Approval of Minutes**

The Board of Education approve the Minutes of the March 25th Business Meeting, April 1st Special Meeting, and the April 8th Workshop Meeting.

b) **Approving Personnel Agenda**

i. **Certified Resignations**

The Board of Education accept the following resignations:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Christina Urbanski	N-6 Elementary, Arlington Middle	Personal	8/31/14
Jill Mast	Special Education, Jos. D'Aquanni/West Rd. Intermediate	Personal	8/31/14

ii. **Certified Appointments**

The Board of Education approve 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.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Schedule</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Alicia Jazayeri	Temp. N-6 Elementary, Noxon Rd. Elementary	M 02	\$56,204 (prorated)	4/1/14 – 6/30/14
Lee Ann Willie	Temp. Special Education, Beekman Elementary	M 01	\$55,353 (prorated)	2/19/14 – 5/17/14
Carly Simco	Temp. Remedial Speech, Arthur S. May Elementary	M 01	\$55,353 (prorated)	2/19/14 – 6/30/14
Ann Marie Burnell	Temp. N-6 Elementary, Vail Farm Elementary	M 01	\$55,353 (prorated)	3/28/14 – 6/30/14
Jaclyn Wagner	Temp. English, LaGrange Middle	M 01	\$55,353 (prorated)	2/25/14 – 5/4/14
Risa Petrone	PT Contractual TA, Vail Farm Elementary	Step 1	\$10,480 (prorated)	4/23/14

iii. **Certified Leaves**

The Board of Education approve the following unpaid leaves of absence:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Sally Kemink	Reading, Noxon Rd. Elementary	2/21/14 – 2/21/14
Jovonna Otrrosinka	Science, LaGrange Middle	9/1/14 – 6/30/15
Catherine Ma-Passudetti	Math, LaGrange Middle	9/1/14 – 6/30/15
Katie Anne Veeneman	N-6 Elementary, Noxon Rd. Elementary	9/1/14 – 6/30/15
Meghan Woolf	Health, LaGrange Middle	3/17/14 – 6/30/14
Lori Mandy	N-6 Elementary, Vail Farm Elementary	5/23/14 – 5/23/14
Elise Pattison	N-6 Elementary, Noxon Rd. Elementary	5/5/14 – 6/30/14
Sarah Randall	N-6 Elementary, Vail Farm Elementary	3/25/14 – 6/30/14
Andrea Brill	Hourly TA, Titusville Intermediate	5/27/14 – 5/27/14

iv. **Certified Co-Curricular and Extra Curricular Appointments**

The Board of Education approve the following appointments paid in accordance with the ATA contract:

Arlington Middle School:

Interscholastic:

Track - Girls Spring Head Coach - Amanda Sosnick (previously Board approved on 2/25/14 as Track - Spring Assistant Coach, now replacing Brett Bernstein who was previously approved on 2/25/14)

Track - Spring Co-assistant Coaches - John Petacchi
Brett Bernstein (previously Board approved on 2/25/14 as Track - Girls Spring Head Coach)
Both John and Brett are replacing Amanda Sosnick who was previously approved on 2/25/14

LaGrange Middle School:

Co-curricular:

Choreographer: Spring Musical - Jennifer Turoff
Costume Designer: Spring Musical - Tracey Olmoz

Union Vale Middle School:

Intramurals:

Flag Rugby - Daniel Braun

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

The Board of Education approve the following appointment:

<u>Names</u>	<u>Stipend</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>School</u>
Amy Kilroy	Musician for Spring Musical (previously board approved on 2/25/14 for \$400)	\$480	High School

vi. **AIS Before & After School Programs (funded through the general fund)**

The Board of Education approve the following appointment:

<u>Titusville Intermediate School</u>		
Additional Teacher -	Gina Mucci	\$48/hour

vii. **Certified Substitutes**

The Board of Education approve the appointment of the following individuals to the substitute list in the below categories in the 2013-2014 school year:

Teachers

Jaime Natale
Andrea DeMeo

Teaching Assistants

Maureen Moloney
Mary Ann McCabe
Risa Petrone

viii. 2014 Arlington Summer School Principal

The Board of Education approve the appointment of David Gatta as Principal of the 2014 Arlington Summer School Program at a salary of \$9,675.00.

ix. 2014 Arlington Summer School Program - Salary Schedule

The Board of Education approve the following 2014 Arlington Summer School Salary Schedule (daily rates):

<u>BA</u>		<u>MA</u>	
Step 1	\$163	Step 1	\$175
Step 2	\$166	Step 2	\$178
Step 3	\$171	Step 3	\$181
Step 4	\$174	Step 4	\$184
Step 5	\$179	Step 5	\$190

x. Classified Resignation

The Board of Education approve the following resignation:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Kathleen Ferland	Hourly Typist, LaGrange Middle	Personal	4/11/14

xi. Classified Retirement

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Dale Sherman	Bus Driver	12/31/14

xii. Classified Appointment

The Board of Education approve the following appointment:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Michelle Keller	School Personnel Associate, Central Admin. Office	\$51,000	5/19/14

xiii. Classified Leave

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Carl Sassaman	Bus Driver	2/24/14-4/11/14

xiv. Salary Correction

The Board of Education approve the following salary correction:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>
David Mazzacone	Custodial Worker, Noxon (Previously board approved on 3/25/14 for \$47,603)	\$46,698 (prorated)	3/24/14

xv. Classified Substitutes

The Board of Education approve the appointment of the following individuals to the substitute list in the below categories in the 2013-2014 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.

Maintenance

Justin Hearty

Nurse

Kerry O'Brien

c) Approving Special Services

i) CSE & CPSE Designations and Placements

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

d) Approving Business and Finance Items

i) Treasurer's Report for the month of February 2014

The Board of Education accept the Treasurer's Report for the month of February 2014.

ii) Budget Appropriation Transfers for the months of February 2014

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

Budget Appropriation Transfers February 2013 2013/2014 General Fund	
Schedule Number	Amount
8	\$92,247.73

iii) Internal Claims Audit Report for the month of March 2014

The Board of Education accept the internal claims audit report for the month of March 2014, as submitted by Sandy Martino, Internal Claims Auditor.

iv) **Donations**

The Board of Education accept the following donations:

For	Donated by	Items Donated/Use	Amount
LaGrange Middle School	Donor's Choice (donorschoose.org)	2 - Apple iPads	\$800.00
Vail Farm Elementary School	Vail Farm PTA	Interactive White Board	\$2701.10

v) **Health & Welfare Services Contracts**

The Board of Education approve Health & Welfare Services Contracts, as listed below:

School District	# of Students	Cost per Student	Amount
Hyde Park School District	37.7	\$746.17	\$28,130.61
White Plains City School District	2	\$822.68	\$1,645.36
Katonah-Lewisboro UFSD	1	\$1,103.00	\$1,103.00
Total			\$30,878.97

vi) **Tax Certiorari Settlement**

The Board of Education approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes its attorneys, Shaw, Perelson, May & Lambert, LLP to execute a Consent Judgment in a tax certiorari proceeding captioned Stop & Shop Supermarket Company v. Town of Beekman;

AND IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes the refund of taxes as required by the terms of the Consent Judgment.

The Board of Education approve the following:

Tax Years	Original AV	Eq. Rate	Equalized MV	Proposed AV	Reduction	Tax Rate	Refund
2013	\$10,011,000	100.00	\$10,011,000	\$7,143,000	\$2,868,000	30.629196995	\$87,844.54

vii) **SEORA Resolution for Capital Improvement Project - Bond Proposition #2**

The Board of Education approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Arlington Central School District satisfied the requirements of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), on September 24, 2013 when at the recommendation of its architect, Fuller and D'Angelo P.C., it declared that the proposed Capital Security and Safety Project (Original Project) was a Type II

action under 6 NYCRR 617.5(c) which would have no significant impact on the environment and is not subject to further SEQRA review; and

WHEREAS, the capital improvement project that is now being proposed as Bond Proposition No. 2 at the Annual District Meeting on May 20, 2014 (Capital Improvement Project), is smaller in scale than the Original Project, but is made up of a portion of the original work in that project including: improvements to various District buildings in the form of door replacements, asbestos abatement and connection to a public water supply; and

WHEREAS, Fuller and D'Angelo P.C. has informed the District that all of the activities in the current project were included in the Original Project, reviewed at that time and determined to consist of work included in a Type II Action which will not have a significant impact on the environment and is not subject to further SEQRA review;

NOW THEREFORE, Board of Education of the Arlington Central School District, as the lead agency in the SEQRA process for this Capital Improvement Project, declares that the current Capital Improvement Project is comprised of work that has been declared Type II activities under SEQRA and, as such, will not have a significant impact on the environment and is not subject to further SEQRA review.

viii) Tax Adjustments and Refunds

The Board of Education approve tax adjustments and refunds to the 2013 tax roll per Dutchess County Real Property Tax Service Agency:

Town	Owner	Refund/Reduction
LaGrange	Baright Realty LLC	\$2,100.03
LaGrange	Baright Realty LLC	\$2,253.63
Poughkeepsie	Quinones	\$3,118.98
Total Refunds		\$7,472.64

10) 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 approve the Consent Items 9a. through 9d.

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

None at this time.

12) Committee Reports/Board Reflections

2013-2014 Board Committees:

- Mr. McLeod announced that the next Policy Committee meeting will be held on May 20th at 6:30 pm at Central Administrative Offices. The Legislative Advocacy meeting will be held immediately following at 7:30 pm.
- Mrs. Lappan stated that she would like the Legislative Advocacy Committee to revisit the resolution again next year. She also stated that she would like the committee to do more advocacy through media. She would also like to showcase our schools more to show all the good things that are happening.

13) Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mrs. Baxter, to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.
The motion was carried unanimously.

Margie Flynn, District Clerk