

**ARLINGTON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF THE BUSINESS MEETING  
ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL  
JUNE 9, 2015**

**6:00 pm – Retiree and Tenure Recognition**

President Kelly Lappan called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm at Arlington High School, 1157 Route 55, LaGrangeville, NY 12540

1) **Call to Order**            7:30 pm

2) **Pledge of Allegiance**

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

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

5) **Approval of the Agenda**                      Motion by Mrs. Baxter, seconded by Mr. Rossi, to approve the agenda with an adjustment of time to reflect 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm. The motion was carried unanimously.

6) **Correspondence**            None at this time.

7) **Public Comment**            There was an audience of approximately 150.  
  
Several people spoke in support of naming the track after Coach Arnett.  
  
Ms. Julie Shook shared concerns regarding the employee non-resident tuition.

8) **Board President's Remarks**                      Mrs. Lappan congratulated the retirees and tenured employees. She thanked the students for the amazing music.

9) **Superintendent's Remarks**                      Dr. Brendan Lyons thanked Mr. Fanuele for hosting the meeting. He also thanked the musicians for the wonderful entertainment.

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

**Arlington High School Professional Learning Communities Report – Mr. Paul Fanuele**

Mr. Fanuele discussed the School Climate Team and honoring Charlie Johnson. Students taking the TV Production course had the opportunity to produce public service announcements displaying courage, integrity, selflessness, patriotism, loyalty, compassion, responsibility and brotherhood. The students stated that it took them a month to script, film and edit the video. The students from this class entered the “Ten Day Film Challenge”, a film contest sponsored by Temple University in which the students have ten days to complete a film using school time only, no evenings or weekends. They went in for a screening in March. Out of all NY State high schools, Arlington took 7 nominations, and won the “Best Film in NY State” award. They recently went to Philadelphia for the national competition. Out of more than 300 nationwide entries, Arlington placed third. Mr. Fanuele stated that the house system has been very helpful in organizing where the PLC’s fall, in addition to the help from the coordinators and all the teachers. The PLC report highlighted English and Math. One of the English projects this past year involved the seniors partnering with Vail Farm students for a “Pen Pal” project which went very well. The PLC report also highlighted Math. Algebra and Geometry were discussed and the questions that students struggle with. How to improve lessons, peer observation and project based learning were reviewed.

**Board Discussion – Naming of Track**

In a previous meeting the Board was presented with the proposal of naming the track after Coach Arnett. The Board stated that no decision will be made at this meeting. Board Members shared their thoughts and concerns. Naming a facility while the person is still working versus naming a facility when the person is retired was discussed. Forming a committee was suggested to review the current policy and criteria, and bring forth a recommendation to the Board.

**Extend Meeting Time**

Motion by Mr. McCormick, seconded by Mr. Bodnar, to extend the meeting time to 10:00 pm. The motion was carried unanimously.

**Board Discussion – Naming of Track - continued**

The Board asked the Superintendent to present the Board with potential options and a range of possibilities at the next Board Meeting.

11) **New Business**

a) **Board Policies: 1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

The Board of Education has reviewed the below Policies as a First Reading.

Policy	Policy Number
Minutes	1530
Executive Sessions	1540
Professional Staff Development	6160
Curriculum Development	8111

b) **Adoption**

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

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education adopt Studio Arcobaleno's *Super Ciao a Tutti* as a curriculum resource to teach Italian Level 1 for the 2015-2016 school year.

c) **Experimental School Status**

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

The Board of Education approves the application for experimental school status for the LaGrange Middle School and Union Vale Middle School, under Section 80-5.12 of the regulations of the Commissioner of Education

d) **Settlement Agreement**

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

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute the Settlement Agreement with Employee No. 10021025 dated May 26, 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.

12) **Business Consent Agenda**

a) **Approval of Minutes**

The Board of Education approves the Minutes of the May 26<sup>th</sup> Business Meeting as written.

b) **Approving Personnel Agenda**

i) **Certified Resignation**

The Board of Education approves the following resignation:

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Effective</u></b>
Kathleen Lowell	Elementary Principal, Beekman Elementary	8/15/15

ii) **Certified Appointments**

The Board of Education approves the following appointments:

<b>Name:</b>	Kelly Murray
<b>Position:</b>	Elementary Principal
<b>Location:</b>	Noxon Road Elementary School
<b>Tenure Area:</b>	Elementary Principal
<b>Certification &amp; Status:</b>	School District Administrator, Permanent Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten and Grades 1-6, Permanent Special Education, Permanent
<b>Beginning date of Probation:</b>	August 10, 2015
<b>End date of Probation:</b>	August 9, 2018
<b>Salary:</b>	\$121,615 (prorated) <b>Step:</b> EP 5

<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>
Jessica LoBue	Temp. Special Education, Vail Farm Elementary	M 01	\$55,353 (prorated)	3/26/15-6/30/15
Christine Doherty	Temp. Remedial Reading, Vail Farm Elementary/Beekman Elementary	M 01	\$55,353 (prorated)	4/20/15-6/30/15

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>
Marissa Berryann	Mathematics Teacher, Arlington High School	6/12/15-6/30/15

iv) **Certified Co-Curricular Appointments**

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

**LaGrange Middle School:**

**Co-curricular:**

Lunchroom Supervision -

Kerri Benante, Jesse Borle, Margaret Eschbach,  
Heidi Every, Gregory Fredricks, Kelley Hand,  
Noreen Horodyski, Sara Jernigan, Christine LaVelle,  
Brigette Luongo, Fredrick Meluson, Michael  
O'Halloran, Pauline Quattrone, Jayme Stofko,  
Felecia White, Meghan Woolf

v) **Certified Substitutes**

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

**Non-Certified Teacher**

Lindsay Panko

**Interpreter**

Diane Ossipo

vi) **Classified 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>
James Turner	Bus Driver	5/9/16

vii) **Classified 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>
Lisa Hajkowski	Food Service Helper, Arlington High School	6/1/15-6/30/15

viii) **Classified Substitute**

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

**Monitor**

Marylou Hyland

c) **Approving Special Services**

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

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

ii) **Consultant Services Agreement Renewal**

The Board of Education approves the following resolution:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approves the renewal of a contract between the District and Taconic Resources for Independence and Mid-Hudson Interpreter Services for sign language interpreter services for parents and employees at an hourly rate of \$85.00 - \$105.00 for the 2015/16 school year.

**iii) Consultant Services Agreement Renewal**

The Board of Education approves the following resolution:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approves the renewal of a contract between the District and Susan Varsames, d/b/a Holistic Learning Center, to provide consultation to the Special Education Department effective July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016 at the rate of \$185 per hour.

**iv) Consultant Services Agreement Renewal**

The Board of Education approves the following resolution:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approves the renewal of a contract between the District and Management Advisory Group Business Operations, Inc., to provide Medicaid billing services for the 2015/16 school year at the rate of \$12,875.00.

**v) Consultant Services Agreement Renewal**

The Board of Education approves the following resolution:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approves the renewal of a contract between the District and Youth Soft Skills Empowerment (YSSE) to provide school-to-work services to students with disabilities during the 2015/16 school year at the rate of \$110,005.

**vi) Independent Evaluators/Service Providers**

The Board of Education approves the following resolution:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approves the following independent evaluators/service providers for the 2015/16 school year:

**Neuropsychological Evaluations**

William Hartwig, Ph.D.	\$175 per hour
Andreas H. Smoller, Ph.D.	\$375 per hour
Dr. Simone Collymore	\$282 per hour
John LaMothe, Ph.D.	\$200 per hour
Dr. Ingrid Hansen	\$175 per hour
Dr. Steve Mattis	\$175 per hour

Dr. Louis Calabro, Ph.D.	\$2,250/flat fee
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Psychiatric Evaluations

Dr. Snehal R. Sheth	\$350 per hour
Dr. Theresa Yonker	\$300 per hour
Dr. Boris Rubinstein	\$500 per hour

Neurology Evaluations

Dr. Ronald Jacobson	\$920/flat fee
Dr. Jack Finkelstein	\$900/flat fee

Behavioral Consultations

James Debany	\$100 per hour
Anderson Center for Autism	\$175 per hour
Sheri Lauro Intervention Associates	\$125 per hour
Sheila Jodlowski, Ph.D., BCBA	\$120 per hour

Psychological Evaluations

Sheila Knights, Psy.D.	\$150 per hour
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Bilingual Evaluations

Achieve Beyond	\$550/flat fee
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MidHudson Regional Hospital of Westchester Medical Center, Center for Communication Disorders	\$595/flat fee
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Jessica Lew, MS, CCC-SLP, TSSLD-BEA	\$250/flat fee \$100 per hour for translation
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Augmentative Communication Evaluations  
and Assistive Technology Evaluations

Abilities First, Inc.	\$700/flat fee
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Westchester Inst. Of Human Development	\$1200/flat fee
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Outside Provider Services

Abilities First, Inc.	\$70 per hour for speech
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	\$75 per hour for consultant teacher
Advanced Therapy, PLLC	\$50 per hour for OT
HTA of New York	\$93 per session for PT
MidHudson Regional Hospital of Westchester Medical Center, Center for Communication Disorders	\$170 per session
Northeast Provider Solutions, Inc./ The Hearing Works	\$100 per hour
Center for Physical Therapy	\$90 per session for PT
Restore OT, PT, SLP PC	\$80 per session for PT
Center for Discovery, Inc.	\$900 per assistive technology evaluation \$150 per hour for post-implementation and/or training and consultation @ Discovery Center - assistive technology \$200 per hour for post-implementation and/or training and consultation onsite – assistive technology \$600 for psychoeducational evaluation \$125 per hour for behavioral consultation services (school) \$150 per hour for staff training \$150 per hour for parent training (home) \$125 per hour for 1:1 Trained Teacher \$75 per hour for behavior intervention (home) \$1,200 for functional behavior analysis \$75 for travel reimbursement

**d) Approving Business and Finance Items**

**i) Noxon Water Agreement**

The Board of Education approves the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, on May 20, 2014 by public vote the Board of Education was authorized to construct improvements to various District buildings, including a connection to a public water supply better known as the Noxon Water Project with an estimated budget of \$440,000.00 and whereas the Board of Education wishes to enter into an agreement with the Town of LaGrange to complete this work.



**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Superintendent is hereby authorized to execute the Noxon Water Agreement dated this day June 9, 2015 and that a copy of said Noxon Water Agreement shall be incorporated by reference with the minutes of this meeting.

ii) **Lease Renewal Tucker Drive**

The Board of Education approves the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, on May 19, 2015 by public vote the Board of Education was authorized to renew its lease with 10 Tucker Drive, LLC, to operate a transportation garage for the District at 10 Tucker Drive, Poughkeepsie, New York 12603, for an additional five (5) years,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Superintendent is hereby authorized to execute the Lease Renewal, upon approval of the Commissioner of Education; and that a copy of said Lease Renewal shall be incorporated by reference with the minutes of this meeting.

**Approving Consent Agenda**

Motion by Mr. McCormick, seconded by Mr. Shuttleworth, 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** Several people spoke in support of naming the track after Coach Arnett.

**Extend Meeting Time**

Motion by Mr. McCormick, seconded by Mr. McLeod, to extend the meeting time to 10:15 pm. The motion was carried unanimously.

14) **Committee Reports**

Policy	Mr. McLeod, Chairperson, announced that the next Policy meeting is scheduled for June 19 <sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm at the Central Administration Office.
Audit/Finance	No report at this time.
Advocacy	Mr. Shuttleworth, Chairperson, announced that the next meeting is June 16 <sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at the Central Administration Office.

15) **Organization Reports**

Dutchess County School Boards Association – Mrs. Baxter stated that she attended a great meeting. The host speaker was Didi Barrett.  
Lower Hudson Education Coalition  
Mid-Hudson School Study Council  
Statewide School Finance Consortium  
New York State School Boards Association  
National School Boards Association

**16) Superintendent Closing Remarks**

None at this time.

**17) Board Reflections**

Mr. Bodnar was impressed with the students' speeches regarding the naming of the track after Coach Arnett.

**18) Adjourn to Executive Session**

Motion by Mr. McLeod, seconded by Mr. Rossi, to adjourn to Executive Session at 10:15 pm. to discuss the Superintendent's annual evaluation and contract, and the potential sale of the Raymond Avenue Property. The motion was carried unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Bodnar, seconded by Mrs. Herr, to return to the regular meeting at 11:08 pm. The motion was carried unanimously.

**19) Adjournment**

Motion by Mr. McCormick, seconded by Mrs. Baxter, to adjourn the regular meeting at 11:09 pm. The motion was carried unanimously.

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Margie Flynn, District Clerk