

**ARLINGTON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF THE BUSINESS MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION OFFICE  
DECEMBER 11, 2012**

President Neil Martin called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. at Central Administration Office, 144 Todd Hill Road, LaGrangeville, NY 12540. Board Members present were Mrs. Baxter, Mrs. Kaul, Mrs. Lappan, Mr. Martin, Mr. McCormick, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Rossi and Mrs. Smith. Board Member absent was Mr. Johnston. Also present were Dr. Lowden and Ms. Zimmerman. There was an audience of approximately 30.

**Call to Order**

**OPEN MEETING**

**6:30 p.m.**

- (Note: The Board will enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a particular contractual and personnel item. The public part of the meeting will open at approximately 7:00PM)

Motion by Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mrs. Smith, to adjourn to Executive Session. The motion was carried unanimously.

Motion by Mrs. Lappan, seconded by Mr. Smith to re-open Meeting. The motion was carried unanimously.

***Correspondence***

None at this time.

***Public Comment***

None at this time.

***Superintendent/  
Board President  
Report***

Dr. Licopoli wished everyone "Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year." Ms. Zimmerman introduced Ms. Kathleen Taber, Town of Poughkeepsie Assessor and Mr. Neil Wilson, Director of Planning and Zoning. Both individuals spoke about an Enhanced Business Exemption in order to target economic development in the Town of Poughkeepsie. This exemption is for the value of re-construction, alteration or capital improvement that exceeds \$50,000.

Mr. Martin, Board President, left at 7:30 p.m., Mrs. Lappan, Vice President took over running the meeting.

Ms. Zimmerman introduced Mr. Scott Geiger and Charlotte Nisbett, both from the Department of Transportation. They would like the school district to cede a portion of land to the state in order for their project to go through. They stated that the construction project is scheduled to begin the summer of 2013 in front of the high school. They reviewed the objectives, goals, impacts and benefits this

project will have. They reviewed pedestrian safety at the roundabouts and what the “next steps” would be. They explained in detail and in diagrams what the central island might look like and how the school and town would agree on an appropriate treatment plan. The cost will be roughly 6.5 million to construct this project, 80% federal and 20% state funded.

Dr. Licopoli spoke about the three day intense retreat relative to the Strategic Planning process. He also stated that he is preparing for the Board Retreat scheduled for December 17<sup>th</sup>.

Dr. Lyons was one of the 31 people that participated in the Strategic Planning 3-day Retreat. He found it to be quite a moving experience.

### **New Business**

#### **1. Resolution for Budget Amendment for Beekman Water Connection Project**

Motion by Mrs. Baxter, seconded by Mrs. Smith, to authorize an amendment to the original budget for the Beekman Water Connection Project in the amount of \$124,000. The motion was carried unanimously.

### **RESOLUTION FOR BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR BEEKMAN WATER CONNECTION PROJECT**

**WHEREAS**, the Dutchess County Health Department has declared that the Beekman Elementary School water supply is not suitable for use as drinking water; and

**WHEREAS**, the lack of drinking water constitutes a public emergency arising from unforeseen circumstances which threatens the health and safety of the occupants of the building and requires immediate action; and

**WHEREAS**, the Dutchess County Department of Health has met with the District and proposed that water be supplied through a connection with the Dutchess County Water and Wastewater Authority (DCWWA) by June 2012; and

**NOW, IN LIGHT OF THE FOREGOING, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED AS  
FOLLOWS:**

1. The Board of Education declares the lack of potable water supply to the Beekman Elementary School is a public emergency and qualifies as an exception to the requirements of the General Municipal Law.
2. The Board of Education proclaims the need for and authorizes an amendment to the original budget in the amount of \$124,000 from unassigned fund balance to address the Beekman Elementary School Water problem, which will be an ordinary contingent expense.

3. The Board of Education authorized the Assistant Superintendent for Business to oversee the scope of work and Carmine Crisci to act as Clerk of the Works.

8) **Business Consent Agenda**

1. **Accepting of Minutes**

1.1 **Minutes**

That the Board of Education approve the Minutes of the November 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting and the November 27<sup>th</sup> Meeting.

2. **Approving Personnel Agenda**

2.1 **Certified Resignation**

That the Board of Education accept the following resignation:

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Reason</u></b>	<b><u>Effective</u></b>
Bryan Dempsey	Social Studies teacher, AMS	Personal	1/2/13

2.2 **Certified Appointment**

That the Board of Education approve the following appointment: 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>
Krystle Flores	Temp. Elem, ASM	M 01	\$53,256 (pro-rated)	10/03/12-11/20/12

2.3 **Certified Leave**

That the Board of Education approve the following leave of absence:

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Effective</u></b>
Leanne Sowul	Music, .5 BES, .5 VFE	1/28/13-6/30/13

2.4 **Certified Substitutes - additional to list**

That the Board of Education approve the appointment of the following individuals to serve as substitutes:

**Teachers**

Philip Corso

**Teaching Assistants**

Miriam Martinez

**Interpreter**

Miriam Martinez

## **2.5 Certified Co-Curricular Appointments**

That the Board of Education approve the following co-curricular appointments:

### **Arlington High School**

#### **PSAT Proctors (stipends paid through PSAT funds \$26.00/hour):**

Michelle Hartman	\$273.00
Virginia Dunn	\$273.00
Kim Ale	\$143.00
Christopher Bubb	\$143.00
Tory Biasotti	\$143.00
Erica Deninger	\$143.00
Alison Evans	\$143.00
Kristen Fredricks	\$143.00
Pam Frye	\$143.00
Frances Hayes	\$143.00
Karen Herman	\$143.00
Jeremy Losee	\$143.00
Rhapsody Mancini	\$143.00
William Mercurio	\$143.00
Colleen Napora	\$143.00
Gregory Nieman	\$143.00
Kathryn Nixon	\$143.00
Aimee Nyarady	\$143.00
Stephanie Rice	\$143.00
Ryan Solomon	\$143.00
Jeanette Sotland	\$143.00
Christine Tamweber	\$143.00
Melissa Tesh	\$143.00
Christine Thomas	\$143.00
JoAnn Troy	\$143.00
Krysta Weiss	\$143.00

#### **Art Layout Designer for posters/programs/flyers for Admiral Players:**

(stipend funds raised through Student Activity Fund)

Karen Turcio	\$600
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### **Arlington Middle School**

#### **Interscholastic:**

Basketball - Boys Head Coach -	Terence Worthy
Basketball - Girls Head Coach -	Caitlin O'Dowd
Wrestling - Co-assistant Coaches -	Michael Lindberg, David Grafmuller
Wrestling - Co-head Coaches -	Michael Lindberg, David Grafmuller

## **2.6 AIS Before/After School Programs (funded through District funds)**

That the Board of Education approve the following appointments:

<b><u>Titusville Intermediate School:</u></b>		
Program Facilitator Fall:	Beth Plotsky	\$500 stipend ½ yr
Program Facilitator Spring:	Eileen Finnerty	\$500 stipend ½ yr
Teachers:	Eileen Finnerty, Rich Nigro, Beth Plotsky, Karin Komisky, Carrie Green	\$48/hour
<b><u>Overlook Primary:</u></b>		
Program Facilitator:	Dianne Blazek	\$1000 stipend
Teachers:	Pat Haverkamp, Dianne Blazek, Anne Beesmer	\$48/hour
Substitute Teacher:	Jeanne Buckley	\$48/hour
<b><u>Traver Road Primary School:</u></b>		
Teachers:	Cynthia Volk, Diana Judge	\$48/hour
<b><u>Beekman Elementary School:</u></b>		
Program Facilitators:	Laura Griffone, Robin Romano	\$500 each
Teachers:	Kim Paesano, Robin Romano, Patricia Malone, Adrienne Pisciotta, Laura Griffone, Christie Boydston, William Mueller	\$48/hour
Teaching Assistants:	Penelope Sawner, Linda Mayes-Godoy, Jackie Perrone, Anne Walsh, Patricia DeMasi	contractual rate
<b><u>West Road Intermediate School:</u></b>		
Program Facilitator:	Theresa Karam-Renzo	\$1000 stipend
Clerical:	Joanne McCullen	\$500 stipend
Teachers:	Heather Andros, Elizabeth Coppola, Theresa Karam-Renzo, Ellen (Betsy) Marshall, Jill Mast, Danielle Smith	\$48/hour
Substitute Teachers:	Christine Barnes Cauda, Diane Sizemore, Ann Marie Tracey	\$48/hour
<b><u>Arthur S. May Elementary School:</u></b>		
Program Facilitator:	Julie Smith	\$1000 stipend
Clerical:	Joan Cox	\$500 stipend
Teachers:	Deborah McCaffrey, Jolie Paterson, Heather Servedio, Lori Salem	\$48/hour
Substitute Teachers:	Anna Quinones Leigh, Julie Smith	\$48/hour
<b><u>Noxon Road Elementary School:</u></b>		
Program Facilitators:	Sally Kemink, Allison Longbard	\$500 each
Teachers:	Sally Kemink & Allison Longbard	\$48/hour
Substitute Teacher:	Jennifer McMorris	\$48/hour
Teaching Assistants:	Susan Lake, Elena Snyder, Judy Battaglia	contractual rate

### 2.7 Classified Resignations

That the Board of Education accept the following resignations:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Katherine Cooper	Clerk, CAO	Personal	12/14/12
Jennifer Vogel Rossi	Technology Facilitator	Personal	11/30/12

### 2.8 Classified Retirement

That the Board of Education accept the following retirement:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Carol Giarrusso	Bus Driver	Retirement	12/21/12

### 2.9 Classified Appointments

That 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 Bus Driver Certification Unit.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Elaine Maddox	Typist, 10-month, Noxon	\$26,176 (pro-rated)	12/12/12
Sharon Zammiello	Bus Driver	\$16,758 (pro-rated)	12/1/12
Keith Ackley	Custodian, LMS	\$33,978 (pro-rated)	12/17/12
Diana Lutz	Bus Driver	\$16,758 (pro-rated)	12/1/12

### 2.10 Classified Leave

That the Board of Education approve the following leaves of absence:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Richard Borman	Custodial Worker, AHS	11/21/12- TBD

### 2.11 Other Appointments

That the Board of Education approve the appointment of Asbestos Designee:

Carmine Crisci

### 2.12 Certified Retirement

That the Board of Education accept the following resignation for the purposes of retirement:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Stephen Kerins	Middle School Principal	8/16/2013

### 3. Approving Special Services

#### 3.1 CSE & CPSE Designations and Placements

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

#### 3.2 District Level Safety Team

That the Board of Education approve the addition of the following District Safety Team Member for the 2012-13 school year:

John Healy – Assistant Principal, Union Vale Middle School  
Mohammed Aziz – Student Member, AHS  
Alayna Maddox – Student Member, AHS

#### 3.3 Service Provider Agreements

That the Board of Education approve the following Service Provider Agreements for:

Peter Amen  
Jody Hoffman

#### 3.4 Independent Consultant Appointments

That the Board of Education approve a contract with Dr. David Pogge to provide a psychological evaluation for a student during the 2012/13 school year. Dr. Pogge will be paid \$2,000 for this evaluation.

That the Board of Education also approve a contract with Dr. Carol Fiorile to conduct an Independent Functional Behavioral Assessment and Behavioral Intervention Plan for a student during the 2012/13 school year. Dr. Fiorile will be paid \$2,400 for her services.

#### 3.5 Resolution

That the Board of Education approve the following resolution:

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of the Arlington Central School District does hereby authorize the acceptance of a non-resident student referred by the Spackenkill Union Free School District on a space available and tuition basis, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools and the Assistant Superintendent for Pupil Personnel Services, at the discretion of the Superintendent of Schools.

#### 4. Approving Business and Finance Items

##### **4.1 Tax Cert Settlement - Con Edison v. Town of LaGrange**

That the Board of Education approve the following tax certiorari settlement as recommended by Leah L. Murphy of Kuntz, Murphy & Gronbach, P.C.,:

Year	Original Assessment	Revised Assessment	Amount of Reduction	Tax Rate)Non-Homestead	Amount of Refund
2007	\$26,449,030	\$19,538,038	\$6,910,992	0.016304548306	\$112,680.59
2008	\$26,449,030	\$19,679,834	\$6,769,196	0.018116271309	\$122,632.59
2009	\$26,449,030	\$19,930,658	\$6,518,372	0.020245091197	\$131,965.04
2010	\$25,461,813	\$19,122,364	\$6,339,449	0.023726902928	\$150,415.49
2011	\$23,247,756	\$16,908,306	\$6,339,449	0.025335755942	\$160,614.73
2012	\$12,109,419	\$11,031,449	\$1,077,970	0.027205047925	\$29,326.23
Total					\$707,634.66

##### **4.2 Internal Claims Auditor's Report for the month of November, 2012**

That the Board of Education accept the internal claims audit report for the month of November 2012, as submitted by Sandy Martino, Internal Claims Auditor.

##### **4.3 Approve the following Extra-Classroom Activities:**

That the Board of Education approve the following Extra-Classroom Activities:

<b>AHS</b>
SADD
Ski Club
Student Governments

<b>LMS</b>
Community Service
Theatre
Drama

<b>UMS</b>
French Club

##### **4.4 Approval of Change Order from D&S Fire Protection for 2005 Bond Project**

That the Board of Education Approve Change Order CO-01 from D&S Fire Protection Corp. in the amount of \$2,835.00 for the unused balance of the contract allowance.



**5. Approving Consent Agenda**

Motion by Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mr. McLeod, to approve the Consent Items 8.1 through 8.4. The motion was carried unanimously.

**9) Public Comment on Agenda Items Only** – None at this time.

**10) Committee Reports/Board Reflections**

**2012-2013 Board Committees:**

Audit Committee	Edward McCormick, Steven Rossi, Cindy Smith
Superintendent Evaluation	Kelly Lappan, Neil Martin
Contract/Step recalibration	Christine Baxter, Steven Rossi, Neil Martin
Policy Committee	Lisa Kaul, Charles McLeod, Sean Johnston, Edward McCormick

Mrs. Smith stated that the newly appointed Internal Auditor is in the district. Ms. Zimmerman stated that it is going well. Mr. Rossi stated that the Recalibration Committee met and will meet again to clarify some items. Mr. McLeod announced that the Policy Committee will be meeting after the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year.

Mrs. Lappan and Mrs. Baxter attended a presentation given by the head of the Statewide School Finance Consortium in Newburgh regarding budgets. Mrs. Lappan will be taking part in a conference on December 14<sup>th</sup> run by the Campaign for Educational Equity at the Teacher's College in New York City.

Dr. Lyons publicly thanked Mr. Kerins for his many years of commitment and dedication. He wishes him health and happiness in his retirement.

**11) Executive Session**

None at this time.

**12) Adjournment**

Motion by Mr. Rossi, second by Mr. McLeod, to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. The motion was carried unanimously.

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**Margie Flynn, District Clerk**