

**NORTH ARLINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
NORTH ARLINGTON, NEW JERSEY
PUBLIC MEETING**

January 22, 2024

BOARD OF EDUCATION OFFICE

Welcome to the Public Meeting of the North Arlington Board of Education. The Board is meeting this evening for the purpose of conducting the business of the Board and the school district.

The business the Board will take action on this evening is outlined in the agenda.

Community participation is invited during the following point in the agenda:

Public Comments. This segment is devoted to hearing from those persons who might have questions or statements regarding only matters listed on the agenda, which the Board will be acting on this evening.

If you wish to address the Board during this public comments segment, you are asked to raise your hand and be recognized by the Board President. When recognized, clearly state your name and address for the record. All questions or statements should be addressed to the Board President.

By law, the Board is not permitted to discuss personnel, contractual or legal matters in public. Although the Board values public input, please understand that the Board may not always respond directly to public comments.

We hope your visit with us this evening will be an enjoyable and informative one.

UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS

Public Meeting: Monday, February 12, 2024, High School Cafeteria at 7:30 P.M.

Public Meeting: Monday, March 11, 2024, High School Gymnasium at 7:30 P.M.

Public Meeting: Monday, March 25, 2024, High School Gymnasium at 7:30 P.M.

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NORTH ARLINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION NORTH ARLINGTON, NEW JERSEY

PUBLIC MEETING

January 22, 2024

7:30 p.m.

High School Gymnasium

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

III. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

IV. STATEMENT OF PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

This Public Meeting of January 22, 2024, of the Board of Education of the Borough of North Arlington, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, is called pursuant to a schedule of meetings adopted on January 4, 2024 and of notice given to the Clerk of the Borough of North Arlington and to the Librarian of the Free Public Library of North Arlington for posting therein as election notices are posted and of notice given to the Editors of the following newspaper: the Bergen RECORD of Hackensack and the Newark STAR LEDGER.

V. CORRESPONDENCE

Superintendent's Statement

This meeting is open to the public for the purpose of addressing any subject matter that is pertinent to and/or directly related to the operation of the North Arlington Public School District. Residents wishing to speak on such items are required to state their names, addresses and subject matter. Pursuant to Board Bylaw 0167, Public Participation in Board Meetings, comments are limited to 5 minutes duration.

The Board may (or may not) respond to issues raised by members of the public at the time they are raised, but will provide a response if and when appropriate. However, the Board cannot directly respond to the issues regarding personnel, in order to protect the privacy rights of the individual.

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Please be advised that there is no privilege or qualified privilege with regard to any statements that you make before the Board. What this means is that while you are certainly free to exercise your right to comment on issues before the Board, such comments are considered public statements, and may be responded to or acted upon by any individuals affected by them. The Board will, of course, consider your comments as they relate to its obligations to effectively govern the North Arlington School District, but cannot offer protection from any action that a third-party may elect to pursue as a result of any statements offered during public session.

VI. MINUTES

The following Minutes have been given to the Board for approval:

- A. Motion to approve the minutes of the Public Work Session of December 11, 2023.
- B. Motion to approve the minutes of the Public Meeting of December 11, 2023, as amended.
- C. Motion to approve the minutes of the Executive Session of December 11, 2023.
- D. Motion to approve the minutes of the Special Public Meeting of December 18, 2023.
- E. Motion to approve the minutes of the Special Executive Session of December 18, 2023.
- F. Motion to approve the minutes of the Reorganization Meeting of January 4, 2024, as amended.
- G. Motion to approve the minutes of the Executive Session of January 4, 2024.

On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

VII. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Any members of the public wishing to be heard please stand, state your name and address for the record.

Motion to close the Hearing of Citizens made by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

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PERSONNEL

A. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTE PARAPROFESSIONAL FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the employment of the following substitute paraprofessional for the 2023-2024 school year:

Jean DeQuinzio, as a **Substitute Classroom Aide and Substitute Lunch Aide** at North Arlington Public Schools beginning on or about January 23, 2024 through June 30, 2024, at the hourly rate of \$15.13, not to exceed 29 hours per week, without benefits, *pending criminal history clearance and completion of all required employment paperwork*.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the employment of substitute paraprofessional, for the 2023-2024 school year, as set forth above.

On Motion by _____, second by _____.
Discussion: _____.

Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

B. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EMPLOYMENT OF SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the employment of the following Substitute Teachers for the 2023-2024 school year:

Victoria Cimirro, as a **Substitute Teacher** at North Arlington North Arlington Public Schools at the per diem rate of \$120.00 beginning on or about January 23, 2024 through June 30, 2024, not to exceed 29 hours per week, without benefits, *pending completion of all required employment paperwork*.

Debra Dawkins, as a **Substitute Teacher** at North Arlington Public Schools at the per diem rate of \$120.00 beginning on or about January 29, 2024 through June 30, 2024, not to exceed 29 hours per week, without benefits, *pending completion of all required employment paperwork*.

Marisol Toscano, as a **Substitute Teacher** at North Arlington North Arlington Public Schools at the per diem rate of \$120.00 beginning on or about January 23, 2024 through June 30, 2024, not to exceed 29 hours per week, without benefits, *pending completion of all required employment paperwork*.

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BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the employment of Substitute Teachers for the 2023-2024 school year, as set forth above.

On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

C. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EMPLOYMENT OF LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the employment of the following Substitute Teachers for the 2023-2024 school year:

Jillian Padovan, as a long-term Substitute Teacher at Washington Elementary School (temporarily replacing Kristina Ulrich) at the per diem rate of \$140.00 retroactively beginning on or about January 29, 2024 through on or about March 26, 2024, not to exceed 29 hours per week, without benefits, without benefits, *pending completion of all required employment paperwork*.

Debra Dawkins, as a long-term Substitute Teacher at North Arlington High School (temporarily replacing Christopher Moore) at the per diem rate of \$140.00 beginning on or about January 29, 2024 through up to May 2, 2024, not to exceed 29 hours per week, without benefits, *pending completion of all required employment paperwork*.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the employment of Substitute Teachers for the 2023-2024 school year, as set forth above.

On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

D. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF PARAPROFESSIONALS FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education to approve the employment of the following paraprofessionals for the 2023-2024 school year:

Victoria Cimirro, as a part-time, **Special Education Aide** (replacing Michelle Hessien) at Jefferson Elementary School beginning on or about January 23, 2024 through June 30, 2024, at

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the hourly rate of \$17.75, not to exceed 29 hours per week, *pending criminal history clearance and completion of all required employment paperwork.*

Daniella Rutigliano, as a part-time, **Special Education Aide & Lunchroom Aide** (new position) at Roosevelt Elementary School retroactively beginning on or about January 22, 2024 through June 30, 2024, at the hourly rate of \$19.00, not to exceed 29 hours per week.

Marisol Toscano, as a part-time, **Special Education Aide and Lunchroom Aide** (replacing Diana Guerriero) at Washington Elementary School beginning on or about January 23, 2024 through June 30, 2024, at the hourly rate of \$17.75, not to exceed 29 hours per week, *pending criminal history clearance and completion of all required employment paperwork.*

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves employment of paraprofessionals, for the 2023-2024 school year, as set forth above.

On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

E. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EMPLOYMENT OF CERTIFICATED STAFF MEMBERS FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the employment of the following certificated staff members, for the 2023-2024 school year:

Jennifer Lopera, full-time, **Preschool Instructional Coach (PIC) and Preschool Intervention & Referral Specialist (PIRS)** (replacing Brittany Ruane) at North Arlington Public Schools for the period beginning on or about March 25, 2024 through June 30, 2024, at Step 13 MA+10 on the North Arlington Teachers' Salary Guide or \$70,750.00 (pro-rated), *pending criminal history clearance and completion of all required employment paperwork.*

Jillian Padovan, full-time, **Physical Education Teacher** (replacing Kristina Ulrich) at Washington Elementary School for the period beginning on or about February 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024, at Step 1 BA on the North Arlington Teachers' Salary Guide or \$53,000.00 (pro-rated), *pending criminal history clearance and completion of all required employment paperwork.*

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the employment of the certificated staff members, for the 2023-2024 school year, as set forth above.

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On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

F. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EMPLOYMENT OF A CUSTODIAN FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the employment of the following Custodian, for the 2023-2024 school year:

Walter Helmeck, as a twelve month Night **Custodian** (replacing Philip DeLuca) at Washington Elementary School at Step 2 on the North Arlington Custodial Salary Guide or \$45,165.00, prorated, and payment of a Night Shift Differential stipend in the amount of \$512.05 for a total annual salary of \$45,677.05, for the period beginning on or about February 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024, *pending criminal history clearance and completion of all required employment paperwork*.

BE IT RESOLVED that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the employment of a Custodian, for the 2023-2024 school year, as set forth above.

On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

G. RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT RESIGNATIONS.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education accept the following resignations:

Kevin Blackford, as a **Softball Head Coach** at North Arlington High School, effective January 19, 2024.

Rebecca Landes, as a full-time, **Teacher of English and Teacher of the Handicapped** at North Arlington High School, effective on or about July 1, 2024 (retirement purposes).

Michelle Hessian, as a part-time, **Special Education Aide** at Jefferson Elementary School, effective immediately.

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BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby accepts the resignations, set forth above.

On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

H. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A PRACTICUM AT NORTH ARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve a **School Psychology Practicum** for Ms. Daniella Friedman, with the North Arlington Public Schools, as a requirement of Ms. Friedman’s graduate work at Rutgers University from the period beginning on or about January 22, 2024 to on or about May 24, 2024 (not to exceed 600 hours), *pending criminal history clearance and completion of all required paperwork*. Ms. Friedman will work under the direct supervision of Mr. Michael Burke, Director of Special Education.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves a **School Psychology Practicum** for Ms. Daniella Friedman, with the North Arlington Public Schools, as a requirement of Ms. Friedman’s graduate work at Rutgers University from the period beginning on or about January 22, 2024 to on or about May 24, 2024 (not to exceed 600 hours), *pending criminal history clearance and completion of all required paperwork*. Ms. Friedman will work under the direct supervision of Mr. Michael Burke, Director of Special Education.

On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

I. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE SALARY RECOGNITION OF ACADEMIC CREDITS FOR CERTIFICATED STAFF MEMBERS FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve salary recognition of academic credits for certified staff members, for the 2023-2024 school year:

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Jesse Dembowski, Teacher at North Arlington High School, going from Step 16 BA to Step 16 BA+15 on the North Arlington Teachers' Salary Guide, adding **\$800.00** to his annual salary, effective February 1, 2024.

Maria Fernandez, School Nurse at Roosevelt Elementary School, going from Step 9 BA+30 to Step 9, MA on the North Arlington Teachers' Salary Guide, adding **\$3,000.00** to her annual salary, effective February 1, 2024.

Gabriel Fiore, Teacher at Veterans Middle School, going from Step 4 MA+30 to Step 4 MA+40 on the North Arlington Teachers' Salary Guide, adding **\$2,200.00** to his annual salary, effective February 1, 2024.

Stephanie Perez, Teacher at Washington Elementary School, going from Step 4 BA+15 to Step 4, BA+30, on the North Arlington Teachers' Salary Guide, adding **\$850.00** to her annual salary, February 1, 2024.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education approved salary recognition of academic credits for the certified staff members, for the 2023-2024 school year, as set forth above.

On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

J. RESOLUTION TO REVISE A SICK LEAVE AND UNPAID LEAVE FOR A STAFF MEMBER FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education revise a sick leave and an unpaid leave for **Leidy Pinilla**, Special Education Aide at Anthony Elementary School for the 2023-2024 school year, as follows:

SICK LEAVE	from on or about January 19, 2024 through January 31, 2024 (<i>up to 30 calendar days from expected due date</i>), utilizing 9 sick days.
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UNPAID LEAVE	from on or about February 1, 2024 through April 1, 2024 , <i>not to exceed 12 weeks per year</i> .
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BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby revises a sick leave and unpaid leave for **Leidy Pinilla**, Special Education Aide at Anthony Elementary School for the 2023-2024 school year.

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On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

K. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE APPROPRIATE STEP AND EDUCATIONAL LEVEL PLACEMENT FOR STAFF MEMBERS WHO WILL ACCRUE TENURE DURING THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the appropriate step and educational level placement for staff members who will accrue tenure during the 2023-2024 school year.

Casale, Susan

Veterans Middle School
Step 12, MA+30 \$68,050.00
(Effective as of February 10, 2024)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the appropriate step and educational level placement of the above staff members, who will accrue tenure during the 2023-2024 school year.

On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

L. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF SITE MANAGER/TICKET COLLECTOR/CLOCK OPERATOR, FOR THE 2023- 2024 SCHOOL YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the appointment of Site Manager/Ticket Collector/Clock Operator at North Arlington High School, for the 2023-2024 school year, at the following stipends:

Ticket Collector \$37.00
Site Manager/Chain Crew \$50.00
PA Announcer/Clock \$57.00
Freshman clock \$27.00

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***Note: This year, the role of Site Manager for 3 basketball games, and or a football game will be a rate of \$75.00.

Jean Corbett	Site Manager/Ticket Collector/Clock Operator
Jennifer Bermudez	Site Manager/Ticket Collector/Clock Operator

** Note: This year, the role of Site Manager may include two new roles: Chain Crew in Football and PA Announcer.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education approves the appointment of Site Manager/Ticket Collector/Clock Operator at North Arlington High School, for the 2023-2024 school year, at the stipends set forth above.

On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

M. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF A COACH AT NORTH ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the appointment of the following Coach at North Arlington High School, for the 2023-2024 school year:

BASEBALL

Jason O'Neill, Assistant Baseball Coach at North Arlington High School, for the 2024 Spring season, at a stipend of \$4,950.00.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of a Coach at North Arlington High School, for the 2023-2024 school year, as set forth above.

On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

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FISCAL MANAGEMENT

- A. **RESOLUTION TO APPROVE, UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT, THE LIST OF TRAVEL AND RELATED COSTS WHICH ARE EDUCATIONALLY NECESSARY, FISCALLY PRUDENT, IN COMPLIANCE WITH STATE TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT GUIDELINES, ARE RELATED TO AND WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE EMPLOYEE'S CURRENT RESPONSIBILITIES AND PROMOTE THE DELIVERY OF INSTRUCTION OR FURTHER THE EFFICIENT OPERATION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.**

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the attendance of staff members at the following Professional Development Workshops.

	Name	Date	Title of Workshop	Cost
	Jesse Fiore	10/27/2023, 01/04/2024, 01/24/2024 and 4/30/2024	Conquer Math	Mileage Cost: \$15.98 per round trip
	Kari Devine	01/12/2024	Meeting with Garfield SAC	No Cost
	Alicia Giammanco	01/24/2024	Conquer Math	Mileage Cost: \$15.98 per round trip
	Patrick Bott	02/07/2024	Realtime user Experience 2024	Mileage Cost: \$24.44
	John Daco	02/22/2024	Therapy Techniques for Persistent and Resistant Speech Sound Errors (virtual)	Registration Fee: \$279.00
	Gina Selpe	02/23/2024 and 03/08/2024	Understanding & Using PSW and the Simple View of Reading Frameworks to Foster Collaboration in the Identification of Dyslexia, SLI, & SLD (virtual)	No Cost
	Jennifer Rodriguez	02/26/2024	Conquer Math	Mileage Cost: \$15.98 per round trip
	Josh Aronowitz	03/11/2024 and 03/15/2024	DAANJ State Conference 2024	Registration Fee: \$450.00 Other Fee: \$130.00 And Mileage Cost: \$116.50
	Gina Selpe	03/14/2024 and 03/15/2024	Advanced Training in Collaboration and Proactive Solutions	Registration Fee: 395.00

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	Mary Beth Dimone	03/18/2024	High Level Practices NJCEC Annual Spring Conference	No Cost
	Bernadette Fash	04/10/2024	Restorative Practices: Classroom Discipline	No Cost
	Lizzett Felix	05/29/2024	Systems of Support for Multilingual Learners	Registration Fee: \$275.00 Mileage Cost: \$15.51

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the attendance of staff members at Professional Development Workshops.

On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

OPERATIONS

A. RESOLUTION TO AFFIRM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DECISION IN HARASSMENT/INTIMIDATION/BULLYING INVESTIGATIONS.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision on the following HIB Investigations for the reasons set forth in the Superintendent's decision to the students' parents, and directs the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary to transmit a copy of the Board's decision to the affected students' parents forthwith. HIB Investigation Numbers:

256596_FDR_12112023

256215_NAH_12062023

On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

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B. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE SUBMISSION OF THE BIENNIAL STATEMENT OF ASSURANCE REGARDING THE USE OF PARAPROFESSIONAL STAFF TO THE INTERIM EXECUTIVE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the submission of the biannual Statement of Assurance Regarding the Use of Paraprofessional Staff to the Interim Executive County Superintendent, for the 2023-2024 school year.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education approved the submission of the biannual Statement of Assurance Regarding the Use of Paraprofessional Staff to the Interim Executive County Superintendent, for the 2023-2024 school year.

On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

C. RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE ARCHIVED DATA OF THE STUDENT SAFETY DATA SYSTEM, SUMMARY REPORT PERIOD 1 FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education accept the Archived Data of the Student Safety Data System, Summary Report for Period 1, September 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 for North Arlington School District.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby accepts the Archived Data of the Student Safety Data System, Summary Report for Period 1, September 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 for North Arlington School District.

On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

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D. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE 2023-2024 UNIFORM STATE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN EDUCATION AND LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the 2023-2024 Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement between Education and Law Enforcement Officials; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education approved the 2023-2024 Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement between Education and Law Enforcement Officials.

On Motion by _____, second by _____.
Discussion: _____ Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

INSTRUCTION AND PROGRAM

A. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE FIELD TRIPS.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve field trips on file in the Superintendent's office.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves field trips on file in the Superintendent's office.

On Motion by _____, second by _____.
Discussion: _____ Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

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STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY

A. RESOLUTION DECLARING FEBRUARY 5, 2024 THROUGH FEBRUARY 9, 2024 AS NATIONAL SCHOOL COUNSELING WEEK.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education declare **February 5, 2024** through **February 9, 2024** as ***National School Counseling Week***.

WHEREAS, the North Arlington School District is proud to have counselors who are dedicated and provide excellent services to our student body. Every day, counselors step forward embracing new technologies, resolving emerging issues, and accepting ever-changing roles in their profession.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education does hereby declare **February 5, 2024** through **February 9, 2024** as ***National School Counseling Week*** at North Arlington School District. The North Arlington School District is proud of their counselors who provide exceptional services and are dedicated to our student body.

On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

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FINANCE COMMITTEE

, Chairman

, Co-Chairman

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, by the North Arlington Board of Education that the Finance Resolutions as per the attached reports are approved (1A, 1B, 1C, 1D):
 - A. The budget transfers be approved for December 2023 and January 2024.
 - B. The Board approves the Board Secretary's Report of December 2023 "Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20A 10(e)" and certify that as of December 2023 the Board Secretary's monthly financial report did not reflect an over expenditure in any of the major accounts or funds, and based on the appropriation balances reflected on these reports and the advice of district officials, we have no reason to doubt that the district has sufficient funds available to meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
 - C. The Board accepts the report of the Treasurer of School Monies December 2023.
 - D. The bills and claims for January 2024 as per the attached are approved. The Superintendent recommends that the Board approve the bills and claims to include payroll account and agency account checks for December 15, 2023 (actual), December 30, 2023 (actual), January 15, 2024 (actual) and January 30, 2024 (estimated).

Date	Amount
December 15, 2023	\$ 1,022,109.27 (actual)
December 30, 2023	\$ 1,023,440.04 (actual)
January 15, 2024	\$ 1,026,478.92 (actual)
January 30, 2024	\$ 1,023,000.00 (estimated)
Total	\$ 4,095,028.23

On Motion by _____, second by _____.
Discussion: _____.

Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

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2. MOTION TO APPROVE MANUAL CHECKS

January 2024		Amount
Acct.#11-000-291-270-22-0507		
Ck. # G13248	Delta Dental Plan of NJ	\$ 13,564.02
Ck. # G13241	Benecard	67,548.89
Ck. # G13239	Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of NJ	303,099.27
Ck. # G13240	Horizon (COBRA)	901.05
	Total	\$385,113.23

On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

3. MOTION TO APPROVE HAND CHECKS

January 2024	Description	Amount
Ck. #024423	Sunshine Clubhouse Childcare Center – December 2023 Tuition	\$49,947.00
Ck. #024424	Robb Holla – School Assembly Speaker – HS and VMS (replacement for lost check)	\$ 4,500.00
Ck. #024425	Techspo Convention 2024	\$ 624.00
Ck. #024428	PSE&G Nov. 2023 & Dec. 2023 – District Heat/Electric Bills	Running Balance

On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

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CONTRACTS/MEMBERSHIPS

4. MOTION TO APPROVE OUT OF DISTRICT SPECIAL EDUCATION CONTRACTS/TRANSPORTATION

DESCRIPTION	COST
Receiving from Highland Park Public Schools Board of Education Tuition Contract – Sept. 7, 2023 through December 12, 2023 Student's Name is on File in the Board Office.	\$17,887.00
Receiving from Highland Park Public Schools Board of Education Tuition Contract – Sept. 7, 2023 through December 12, 2023 Student's Name is on File in the Board Office.	\$17,887.00
Receiving from Highland Park Public Schools Board of Education Tuition Contract – Sept. 7, 2023 through December 12, 2023 Student's Name is on File in the Board Office.	\$78,078.00
Bergen County Special Services School District Annual Contract for Services – 23/24 – Augmentative/Alternative Communication Student's Name is on File in the Board Office. Ongoing Services	Not to Exceed \$680.00
Bergen County Special Services School District Annual Contract for Services – 23/24 – Audiological – Educational Audiology Srvcs. Student's Name is on File in the Board Office.	Not to Exceed \$1,316.00
Miriam Skydell and Associates, LLC Contract for Services 2024 – Occupational, Physical, and Speech Therapy Services as needed	\$155.00/hour \$450.00/Eval
The Phoenix Center 2023-2024 Tuition Contract Student's Name is on file in the Board Office.	\$43,895.28
N.A. Bleshman Regional Day School 2023-2024 Tuition Contract Student's Name is on file in the Board Office.	\$78,390.00

On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

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FACILITIES

5. MOTION TO APPROVE APPLICATIONS FOR USE OF PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES

The Superintendent recommends that the Board approve facility applications **2306-0015 to 2401-0017**.

On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion: _____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

CONTRACTS, ADDENDA, BIDS, AND PROPOSALS

6. MOTION TO RATIFY AND AFFIRM THE PROPOSAL FROM CORBY ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR GYMNASIUM AND PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT REPAIRS DISTRICT-WIDE

WHEREAS, a proposal was received from **Corby Associates, Inc.** for gymnasium and playground equipment repairs district-wide as follows:

DESCRIPTION	COST
Roosevelt School: (5) Materials used to install or repair chains and clevises worn out from use over time and Installation Labor	\$1,125.00
Jefferson School: (5) Materials used to install or repair chains and clevises worn out from use over time	\$ 325.00
High School: Materials to replace gymnasium diving curtain strap. Hardware to provide additional support to bleacher floorboards, replacement of missing end cap and Installation Labor	\$2,780.00
Washington School: (7) Materials used to install clevises with appropriate spacers and Installation Labor	\$ 425.00
Veterans Middle School: Labor to reset anchor on backboard stringer.	\$ 250.00
Susan B. Anthony School: Materials to repair 7 broke seats throughout the sections, and missing end cap and Installation Labor	\$1,615.00
TOTAL COST	\$6,520.00

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WHEREAS, the Superintendent recommends that the Board ratifies and affirms the proposal from **Corby Associates, Inc.** for gymnasium and playground equipment repairs district-wide in the amount of \$6,520.00.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby ratify and affirms the proposal from **Corby Associates, Inc.** for gymnasium and playground equipment repairs district-wide

On Motion by _____, second by _____.
Discussion: _____ Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

LIAISON TO INDIVIDUAL SCHOOLS

Anthony School

Jefferson School

Roosevelt School

Washington School

Veterans Middle School

High School

INSTRUCTION AND PROGRAM

, Chairman
, Co-Chairman

OPERATIONS

, Chairman
, Co-Chairman

GOVERNANCE

, Chairman
, Co-Chairman

FISCAL MANAGEMENT

, Chairman
, Co-Chairman

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STUDENT AND COMMUNITY

, Chairman
, Co-Chairman

PERSONNEL

, Chairman
, Co-Chairman

SUNSHINE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS this meeting is duly and properly called for a regular session meeting of this Body and adequate notice has been given as provided for by the “Open Public Meetings Act”; and

WHEREAS it is now necessary that the Board of Education consider the following matter:

which fall(s) within the exceptions as set forth in the “Open Public Meetings Act” and therefore are matters which this Body determines should be discussed at a closed meeting. It is anticipated that this closed session will last approximately _____ minutes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the North Arlington Board of Education as follows:

That this body shall at this time recess this meeting and conduct a closed meeting concerning the above referenced matter(s), which involve exceptions this body hereby determines are of such a nature that they cannot be discussed at an open meeting and this body is at this time unable to determine when the matter(s) under discussion can be disclosed to the public. However, this body will make such a disclosure when circumstances permit.

On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

Time recessed:_____ Time reconvened:_____

On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board of Education of the Borough of North Arlington, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, this Public Meeting of January 22, 2024 adjourned at _____p.m.

On Motion by _____, second by _____.

Discussion:_____. Roll Call:

Mr. Smith	_____
Mrs. Gilgallon	_____
Mr. Dorsett	_____
Mrs. Higgins	_____
Mr. McDermott	_____

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