

NORTH ARLINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
NORTH ARLINGTON, NEW JERSEY

PUBLIC MEETING

March 11, 2024

7:59 p.m.

High School Gymnasium

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

Mr. Smith	<u>Present</u>
Mrs. Gilgallon	<u>Present</u>
Mr. Dorsett	<u>Present</u>
Mrs. Higgins	<u>Present</u>
Mr. McDermott	<u>Present</u>
Student Board Member	<u>Absent</u>

III. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

IV. STATEMENT OF PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

This Public Meeting of March 11, 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.

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 February 12, 2024.

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- B. Motion to approve the minutes of the Public Meeting of February 12, 2024, as amended.
- C. Motion to approve the minutes of the Executive Session of February 12, 2024.

On Motion by Mrs. Higgins, second by Mrs. Gilgallon. There was no discussion. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

VII. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

There were no citizens wishing to be heard.

Motion to close the Hearing of Citizens made by Mr. Dorsett, second by Mrs. Gilgallon. There was no discussion. On Roll all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

PERSONNEL

A. 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 paraprofessional for the 2023-2024 school year:

Michelle Olawski, as a part-time, **Special Education Aide** (replacing Shaquanah Moore) at Veterans Middle School beginning on or about March 12, 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*.

Mariela Encalada, as a part-time, **Special Education Aide and Lunchroom Aide** (new position) at Roosevelt Elementary School beginning on or about March 25, 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 paraprofessional, for the 2023-2024 school year, as set forth above.

B. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EMPLOYMENT OF A SUBSTITUTE TEACHER 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 Teacher for the 2023-2024 school year

Chiara Colletti, as a Substitute Teacher at North Arlington Public Schools, at the per diem rate of \$120.00 beginning on or about March 25, 2024 through June 30, 2024 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 Teacher for the 2023-2024 school year, as set forth above.

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C. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EMPLOYMENT OF A CERTIFICATED STAFF MEMBER 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 member, for the 2023-2024 school year:

Evan Calendrillo, full-time Physical Education & Health (replacing Konstantine Leontarakis) at Washington Elementary School and Anthony Elementary School for the period beginning on or about April 2, 2024 through June 30, 2024, at Step 1, MA on the North Arlington Teachers’ Salary Guide or \$57,650.00 (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 member, for the 2023-2024 school year, as set forth above.

D. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EMPLOYMENT OF A LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER 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 Teacher for the 2023-2024 school year:

Lynette Cavadas, as a long-term Substitute Teacher at Roosevelt Elementary School and Washington Elementary School (temporarily replacing Joseph Borkowski) at the per diem rate of \$140.00 beginning on or about March 15, 2024 through May 20, 2024, not to exceed 29 hours per week, without benefits.

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.

E. RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT RESIGNATIONS.

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

Joseph Borkowski, as a full-time Health and Physical Education at Washington Elementary School and Roosevelt Elementary School, effective on or about March 15, 2024.

Joseph Borkowski, as a full-time Head Boys Track Coach and Head Football Coach at North Arlington High School, effective on or about March 15, 2024.

Audrey Davey, as an Athletic Secretary at North Arlington High School, effective on March 1, 2024.

Bessy Gomez, as a part-time Special Education Aide at Jefferson Elementary School, effective on or about April 12, 2024.

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

F. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EMPLOYMENT OF A BUS AIDE 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 Bus Aide for the 2023-2024 school year:

Staff (Bus Aide)	Rate
Ali-Quan Sessoms	\$19.25/hour

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BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the employment of Bus Aide for the 2023-2024 school year, as set forth above retroactively beginning on September 1, 2023.

G. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A HOME INSTRUCTOR FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.

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

Staff	Rate
Natalie Coimbra	\$40/hour

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

H. RESOLUTION TO REVISE THE LONGEVITY INCREMENT OF A TENURED CERTIFICATED STAFF MEMBER FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education revise the longevity increment of the following tenured certificated staff member, for the period retroactively beginning January 6, 2024 through June 30, 2024:

Name	Step	Degree Level	Base Salary	Longevity Stipend	Total Salary
Annette Ingannamorte	17	BA	\$86,200.00	\$1,850.00	\$88,050.00

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby revises the longevity increment of the above tenured certificated staff member, for the period retroactively beginning January 6, 2024 through June 30, 2024.

I. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE LONGEVITY INCREMENT OF A CUSTODIAN FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the longevity increment of the following custodian for the period beginning March 24, 2024 through June 30, 2024:

Name	School	Step	Base Salary	Longevity Stipend	Black Seal Stipend	Total Salary
Antonio Romano	High School	9	\$65,675.00	\$1,837.00	\$284.47	\$67,796.47

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the increment of the above custodian, for the period beginning March 24, 2024 through June 30, 2024.

J. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE SEVENTH PERIOD STIPENDS OF CERTIFICATED STAFF MEMBERS FOR THE 2023- 2024 SCHOOL YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve seventh period stipends of the following certificated staff members at Veterans Middle School, for the 2023-2024 school year:

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Susan Casale, Teacher at Veterans Middle School, to teach an additional instructional period (seventh period), adding \$11,341.67 (pro-rated) to his base salary for the period retroactively beginning from March 1, 2024 through on or about June 30, 2024.

Jacqueline Kajan, Teacher at Veterans Middle School, to teach an additional instructional period (seventh period), adding \$9,675.00 (pro-rated) to her base salary for the period retroactively beginning from March 1, 2024 through on or about June 30, 2024.

Michael Romanyshyn, Teacher at Veterans Middle School, to teach an additional instructional period (seventh period), adding \$9,400.00 (pro-rated) to her base salary for the period retroactively beginning from March 1, 2024 through on or about June 30, 2024.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves seventh period stipends of certificated staff members at Veterans Middle School, for the 2023-2024 school year.

K. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE SALARY RECOGNITION OF ACADEMIC CREDITS FOR CERTIFICATED STAFF MEMBER 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 member, for the 2023-2024 school year:

Sharon O'Brien-Romer, Teacher at North Arlington High School, going from Step 17 MA+20 to Step 17 MA+30 on the North Arlington Teachers' Salary Guide, adding **\$1,200.00** to her annual salary, retroactively effective February 1, 2024.

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

L. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF VOLUNTEER COACHES 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 Volunteer Coaches at North Arlington High School, for the 2023-2024 school year:

GIRLS FLAG FOOTBALL VOLUNTEER COACH

Joanna Potter, Flag Football Volunteer Coach, at North Arlington High School, for the 2024 Spring season.

TRACK VOLUNTEER COACH

Angel Rowe, Track Volunteer Coach, at North Arlington High School, for the 2024 Spring season.

Joanna Seca, Track Volunteer Coach, at North Arlington High School, for the 2024 Spring season.

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

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M. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE DESIGNATION OF PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER (P.A.C.O).

BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with NJ.A.C. 17:27-3.2, the North Arlington Board of Education makes the following appointments for the dates listed:

Samantha Dembowski
Public Agency Compliance Officer (P.A.C.O) Jan. 1, 2024 – Dec. 31, 2024

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Public Agency Compliance Officer (P.A.C.O) is the liaison between the North Arlington Board of Education and the State of New Jersey Department of the Treasury, Division of Purchase and Property, Contract Compliance and Audit Unit, EEO Monitoring Program.

N. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EMPLOYMENT OF SCHOOL NURSES TO COMPLETE CDRSS REPORTING SYSTEM DURING THE SPRING BREAK OF 2024.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approves the employment of the following School Nurses to review and complete the tuberculosis data to the CDRSS reporting system during the Spring break of 2024.

Name	Schools	Days (Not to exceed)	Per Half Day	Total
Christina Bancroft	North Arlington High School	1/2	\$150.00	\$150.00
Jacqueline Gilker	Anthony Elementary School	1/2	\$150.00	\$150.00
Jessica Cholewa	Jefferson Elementary School	1/2	\$150.00	\$150.00
Julianna D'Agostino-Robinson	Washington Elementary School	1/2	\$150.00	\$150.00
Maria Fernandez	Roosevelt Elementary School	1/2	\$150.00	\$150.00
Judith Kommer	Veterans Middle School	1/2	\$150.00	\$150.00

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education approves school nurses' employment, as set forth above.

O. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EXTENDED INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT (EIS) PROGRAM AND CERTIFICATED STAFF ASSIGNED TO THE PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools is recommending that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the Extended Instructional Support (EIS) Program; and

WHEREAS, this program will provide students in grades K-11 instructional and enrichment opportunities, in an afterschool setting, during the months of March, April and May; and

WHEREAS, the following staff members will be facilitating instruction and planning.

Last Name	First Name	Position	Rate of Pay	Hours
Giammanco	Alicia	Admin-In-Charge	\$50 per Hour	Not to Exceed 85 hours
Bott	Patrick	Admin-In-Charge	\$50 per Hour	Not to Exceed 85 hours
Griggs	Marie	Admin-In-Charge	\$50 per Hour	Not to Exceed 85 hours

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Cutrali	Melissa	Admin-In-Charge	\$50 per Hour	Not to Exceed 85 hours
Rodriguez	Jennifer	Admin-In-Charge	\$50 per Hour	Not to Exceed 85 hours
Fash	Bernadette	Admin-In-Charge	\$50 per Hour	Not to Exceed 85 hours
Russo	Nicole	Admin-In-Charge	\$50 per Hour	Not to Exceed 85 hours
Burke	Michael	Admin-In-Charge	\$50 per Hour	Not to Exceed 85 hours
Rodriguez-Toronto	Samantha	EIS Coordinator	\$50 per Hour	Not to Exceed 47 hours
Barber	Jessica	Teacher-In-Charge	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 85 hours
Pereira	Carla	Teacher-In-Charge	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 85 hours
Peck	Kelly	Teacher-In-Charge	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 85 hours
DePalmo	Gabriella	Teacher-In-Charge	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 85 hours
Salas	Diana	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Triano	Amy	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Andriuoli	Yesenia	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Corbett	Jean	EIS Secondary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Arpaio	Rosanna	EIS Secondary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Kahwaty	Alyssa	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Butler	Carol	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Rouski	Kathryn	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Bermudez	Jennifer	EIS Secondary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Bouchard	Hannah	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
McKenna	Irene	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Galarza	Katte	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours

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Dembowski	Jesse	EIS Secondary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Hull	Kelly	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Pereira	Carla	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Coimbra	Natalie	EIS Secondary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Cignarella	Carly	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Peck	Kelly	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
DiPalma	Elaine	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Teji	Rupeet	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Keegan	Maureen	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Matta	Helen	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Fiore	Jesse	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Esposito	Daniella	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Blank	Anna	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Urban	Angelica	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Martinez	Marilyn	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Maciag	Halle	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Maxwell	Michele	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Nouravi	Mandy	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Elmoazz	Karima	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours
Sachdeva	Palak	EIS Elementary Teacher	\$40 per Hour	Not to Exceed 123 hours

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education the Extended Instructional Support (EIS) Program and certificated staff assigned to the program as specified above.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that extended Instructional Support is being funded through Title I allotment.

On Motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mrs. Higgins. There was no discussion. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

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
	Emily Reitter	02/22/2024	LEGAL ONE Anti-Bullying Specialist (ABS) Online Certificate Program	Registration Fee: \$500
	Jaclyn Moreira	02/28/2024	LinkIt! User Group	No Cost
	Hannah Bouchard	03/02/2024, 03/03/2024, 03/09/2024 and 03/10/2024	Comprehensive Orton-Gillingham Plus Virtual Training	Registration Fee: \$1500
	Megan Tiso	03/05/2024, 03/12/2024, 03/19/2024 and 03/26/2024	Comprehensive Orton-Gillingham Plus Virtual Training	Registration Fee: \$1500
	Lidia Vigna	03/15/2024	Journeys of Inclusion: Charting Compassion, Courage, and Community	Mileage Cost: \$13.21
	Emily Reitter	03/15/2024	Journeys of Inclusion: Charting Compassion, Courage, and Community	No Cost
	Alicia Simone	03/15/2024	CIACC School Avoidance & Refusal Workshop (virtual)	No Fee
	Marie Griggs	03/26/2024	Supporting Multilingual Learners in K-12 Classrooms	Mileage Cost: \$16.92
	Ann Treacy	03/26/2024	Criminal History and School Bus Safety Training Program	No Cost
	Aneeqa Saeed	03/26/2024	Criminal History and School Bus Safety Training Program	No Cost
	Jaclyn Moreira	03/28/2024	IXL Live	Mileage Cost: \$5.95
	Nicole Russo	04/05/2024	Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Training	No Cost
	Alicya Garrido	04/09/2024	Ellis Island Professional Development	Registration Fee: \$250.00

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	Alexa Juncosa	04/09/2024	School Climate Conference for New Educators	Mileage Cost: \$36.66
	Samantha Dembowski	04/11/2024	Audit Review	Registration Fee: \$125.00 Mileage Cost: \$22.75
	Alissa Simone	04/12/2024	Calming an Overactive Brain	Registration Fee: \$89.00 Mileage Cost: \$12.22
	Mary Dulny	04/19/2024	A Refresher for LDT-Cs New and Seasoned-NJ Association for Learning Consultants Spring Conference	Registration Fee: \$168.00 Mileage Cost: 79.99
	Alicia Giammanco	05/17/2024	Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Training	No Cost
	Samantha Dembowski	05/21/2024	2024 ESNJ Vendor Expo	Mileage Cost: \$27.64
	Samantha Dembowski	06/05/2024 to 06/7/2024	NJASBO – NJ Association of School Business Officials Annual Conference	Registration Fee: Per contract and GSA guidelines Other Fee: \$500 Mileage Cost: \$114.68
	Marie Griggs	06/14/2024	Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Training	Mileage Cost: \$15.04
	Melissa Cutrali	06/14/2024	Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Training	No Cost
	Patrick Bott	06/14/2024	Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Training	No Cost
	Carolyn Kropp	08/15/2024	Handle with Care, Instructor Re-Certification Program	Registration Fee: \$525.00 Mileage Cost: \$6.39

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

On Motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mrs. Gilgallon. There was no discussion. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

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:

259436_FDR_02022024
258502_TJE_01222024
258450_NAH_01222024
257838_NAH_01082024
259116_NAH_01302024

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B. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CONTRACT BETWEEN INHEALTH STAFFING, LLC AND 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 contract for services between InHealth Staffing LLC, and North Arlington Public Schools, for the period beginning on March 12, 2024 through June 30, 2024.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves a contract for services between InHealth Staffing LLC, and North Arlington Public Schools, for the period beginning on March 12, 2024 through June 30, 2024.

C. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CONTRACT BETWEEN D.C. FAGAN PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES, LLC AND 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 contract for services between D.C. Fagan Psychological Services, LLC, and North Arlington Public Schools, for the period retroactively beginning on January 30, 2024 through June 30, 2024.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves a contract for services between D.C. Fagan Psychological Services, LLC, and North Arlington Public Schools, for the period retroactively beginning on January 30, 2024 through June 30, 2024.

On Motion by Mrs. Higgins, second by Mrs. Gilgallon. There was no discussion. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative, Mrs. Gilgallon recused herself from voting on Item C, and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

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.

B. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE 2024-2025 ACADEMIC CALENDAR FOR THE NORTH ARLINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the 2024-2025 Academic Calendar for the North Arlington School District.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the 2024-2025 Academic Calendar for the North Arlington School District.

On Motion by Mrs. Higgins, second by Mrs. Gilgallon. There was no discussion. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative for Item A, three Board Members voted in the affirmative for Item B., Mr. Smith and Mr. Dorsett voted no on Item B, it was so ordered.

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STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY

The Superintendent invited Mr. Bott, High School Principal, to come to up front to acknowledge the Varsity Bowling Team for their championship season. Mr. Bott congratulated the team. He presented an award to the Coaches and team and thanked the team for their hard work and success. The Coaches called up each bowling team member individually and presented them with Championship Bowling jackets.

Mr. Bott acknowledged the Varsity Hockey team and congratulated them on winning the McMullen Cup. He presented an award to the Coach and team and also thanked them for their hard work and success. He called up the team members individually and handed them Championship Hockey sweatshirts. The Superintendent congratulated both teams and stated that we will be taking group photos in the cafeteria after the meeting.

A. RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING THE BOYS VARSITY BOWLING 2023-2024 CHAMPIONSHIP SEASON.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education acknowledge the North Arlington Boys Varsity Bowling Team's amazing 2023-2024 season, culminating in a Group 1 State Section North 2 Championship; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education acknowledge the North Arlington Boys Varsity Bowling Team's amazing 2023-2024 season, culminating in a Group 1 State Section North 2 Championship; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this expression of appreciation and gratitude is made a part of the permanent records of North Arlington Public Schools.

B. RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING THE VARSITY HOCKEY 2023-2024 NJIHL MCMULLEN CUP CHAMPIONSHIP.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education acknowledge the North Arlington Varsity Hockey Team's amazing 2023-2024 season, culminating in a New Jersey Interscholastic Ice Hockey League (NJIHL) McMullen Cup Championship; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education acknowledge the North Arlington Varsity Hockey Team's amazing 2023-2024 season, culminating in a New Jersey Interscholastic Ice Hockey League (NJIHL) McMullen Cup Championship; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this expression of appreciation and gratitude is made a part of the permanent records of North Arlington Public Schools.

C. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A COOPERATIVE SPORTS PROGRAM BETWEEN KEARNY HIGH SCHOOL MILLBURN HIGH SCHOOL AND NORTH ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL IN THE AREA OF ICE HOCKEY FOR THE 2024-2025 AND 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEARS.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve a Cooperative Sports Program between Kearny High School, Millburn High School and North Arlington High School in the area of Ice Hockey for the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 school years.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education approved a Cooperative Sports Program between Kearny High School, Millburn High School and North Arlington High School in the area of Ice Hockey or the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 school years.

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D. RESOLUTION DECLARING THE MONTH OF APRIL AS NATIONAL AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH.

WHEREAS, the month of April is *National Autism Awareness Month*, as set forth by the New Jersey School Boards Association and the Association of Schools and Agencies for the Handicapped;

WHEREAS, in the North Arlington School District we have a tradition of excellence in our Autistic Programs and a superb and dedicated staff.

WHEREAS, North Arlington School District celebrates *National Autism Awareness Month*; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education does hereby declare the month of April as *National Autism Awareness Month* at North Arlington School District. The North Arlington School District furthermore is proud to provide exceptional programs that assists children in reaching their potential.

E. RESOLUTION HONORING SECRETARIAL AND CLERICAL STAFF AND PROCLAIMING APRIL 24, 2024 AS ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONAL DAY.

WHEREAS, the North Arlington Public Schools' secretarial and clerical personnel staff members have successfully served the North Arlington Public Schools, its administration, faculty and student body in the daily performance of their duties; and

WHEREAS, the North Arlington Public Schools' secretarial and clerical personnel staff members have faithfully and unselfishly carried out their duties in an exemplary manner to the benefit of our schools and community; and

WHEREAS, the North Arlington Board of Education wishes to formally recognize and honor every secretarial and clerical staff members for their professional dedication.

BE IT RESOLVED, that **April 24, 2024** is hereby proclaimed "*Administrative Professionals Day*" for the purposes of providing public recognition and appreciation for the contributions our secretarial and clerical staff members make to the North Arlington School District in the performance of their duties.

F. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE "BRING YOUR CHILDREN TO WORK"

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") provide District employees with the option of bringing their children to work on April 25, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Board acknowledges and supports the "Bring Your Children to Work" day initiative, scheduled to occur on April 25, 2024;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby acknowledges and approves the Superintendent's recommendation that District employees be allowed to bring their children to work on April 25, 2024;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any and all employees that intend to participate in the "Bring Your Children To Work" day initiative shall have submitted his or her name, along with the name(s) of any of their children attending the event, to the building principal, and a list of these individuals shall remain on file in the Superintendent's Office.

On Motion by Mrs. Higgins, second by Mr. Smith. There was no discussion. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE

Edward Smith, Chairman
Robert Dorsett, 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 February 2024 and March 2024.
- B. The Board approves the Board Secretary’s Report of February 2024 “Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20A 10(e)” and certify that as of January 2024 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 February 2024.
- D. The bills and claims for March 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 February 15, 2024 (actual), February 28, 2024 (actual), March 15, 2024 (estimated) and March 30, 2024 (estimated).

Date	Amount
February 15, 2024	\$1,094,114.62 (actual)
February 28, 2024	\$ 989,601.95 (actual)
March 15, 2024	\$1,020,000.00 (estimated)
March 30, 2024	\$ 990,000.00 (estimated)
Total	\$4,093,716.57

2. MOTION TO APPROVE MANUAL CHECKS

March 2024		Amount
Acct.#11-000-291-270-22-0507		
Ck. # Estimated	Delta Dental Plan of NJ	\$ 13,750.00
Ck. # G13763	Benecard	69,055.30
Ck. # G13762	Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of NJ	~~301,580.51~~ 307,526.86
	Total	~~\$384,385.81~~ \$390,332.16

3. MOTION TO APPROVE HAND CHECKS

March 2024	Description	Amount
Ck. #024743	Sunshine Clubhouse Childcare Center – February 2024 Tuition	\$49,947.00

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4. MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT (ACFR)

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education accept the annual audit for the year ending June 30, 2023, prepared by the firm of Donohue, Gironda, Doria & Tompkins, LLC.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education accepts the annual audit for the year ending June 30, 2023, prepared by the firm of Donohue, Gironda, Doria & Tompkins, LLC.

5. MOTION TO APPROVE THE SUBMISSION OF THE TENTATIVE 2024-2025 SCHOOL BUDGET

WHEREAS the North Arlington Board of Education is responsible for the preparation of an annual school budget that is to be submitted to the County Superintendent of Schools for review; and

WHEREAS the North Arlington Board of Education has developed assumptions, constraints and priorities to guide the Board of Education, the Superintendent of Schools, and the School Business Administrator in preparing a budget for the 2024-2025 school year; and

WHEREAS the North Arlington Board of Education has directed the Superintendent of Schools and the School Business Administrator to prepare a budget for the 2024-2025 school year, using the guidelines established by the State Department of Education; and

WHEREAS the North Arlington Board of Education has deliberated on the budget that has been prepared by the authorized parties.

BE IT RESOLVED that the North Arlington Board of Education approves the submission of the tentative 2024-2025 school district budget to the County Superintendent of Schools as follows:

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Local Tax Levy</u>
General Fund	\$50,476,511	\$31,143,909
Total Special Revenue Fund	\$ 3,502,476	-
Total Debt Service Fund	<u>\$ 313,438</u>	<u>\$ 313,116</u>
	\$54,292,425	\$31,457,025

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the budget includes an enrollment adjustment in the amount of \$425,400.00 in the General Fund Tax Levy, and must be completed by the end of the 2024-2025 budget year, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-37. The amount requested is only the amount used to increase the tax levy; and will be used to fund the expansion of special education programming, staff for increased enrollment, and other anticipated capital projects district wide.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the budget includes an adjustment for increased costs of health benefits in the amount of \$206,172.00. The additional funds will be used to pay for the additional increases in health benefit premiums.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that included in the general fund appropriations, budget line 620 is a withdrawal from Capital Reserve – Other Capital Projects in the amount of \$2,988,700.00 for Other Capital Project costs of HVAC upgrades and roof replacements at Washington Elementary School, Roosevelt Elementary School and North Arlington High School. The total cost of these projects are \$2,988,700.00 which represents expenditures for construction elements or projects that are in addition to the facilities efficiency standards determined by the Commissioner as necessary to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools and the School Business Administrator to amend this budget to whatever degree necessary in order to meet State budgetary requirements and directives for submission to the County Office.

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6. MOTION TO APPROVE THE SUBMISSION OF THE 2024-2025 PRESCHOOL EDUCATION AID (PEA) BUDGET WORKBOOK AND ACCEPT THE PRESCHOOL EDUCATION AID (PEA) FUNDING FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

WHEREAS, the North Arlington Board of Education submitted an application to receive Preschool Education Aid (PEA) for the 2024-2025 school year; and

WHEREAS, the North Arlington Board of Education was approved for funding and is scheduled to receive \$1,809,312.00 in Preschool Education Aid (PEA) to serve up to 120 full day general education preschool children in the 2024-2025 school year; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the submission of the 2024-2025 Preschool Education Aid (PEA) budget workbook and accept the funding of \$1,809,312.00 in Preschool Education Aid (PEA) to serve up to 90 full day general education preschool children in the 2024-2025 school year.

BE IT RESOLVED that the North Arlington Board of Education approves the submission of the 2024-2025 Preschool Education Aid (PEA) budget workbook and accepts the funding of \$1,809,312.00 in Preschool Education Aid (PEA) to serve up to 120 full day general education preschool children in the 2024-2025 school year.

7. MOTION TO APPROVE TRAVEL MAXIMUM REIMBURSEMENT

BE IT RESOLVED that the North Arlington Board of Education approved the following:

WHEREAS school district policy #6741 and N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7 provides that the Board of Education shall establish in the annual school budget a maximum expenditure amount that may be allotted for travel by board members, administration and staff to workshops, seminars, meetings, training sessions or other assemblies deemed necessary or appropriate in accordance with board policy.

	<u>2024-2025</u>
Account No. 11-000-219-800-17-0281	\$ 1,600
11-000-223-320-18-033A	\$14,000
11-000-230-590-19-0362	\$ 3,000
11-000-230-890-19-0362	\$ 800
11-000-230-890-19-0364	\$ 1,800
11-000-230-890-19-0368	\$ 600
11-000-240-800-06-0411	\$ 2,500
11-000-251-890-22-0525	\$ 1,500
11-000-251-890-22-0529	\$ 1,200
11-000-251-890-22-0531	\$ 4,200
11-190-100-580-06-0015	<u>\$ 2,000</u>
	\$33,200

WHEREAS the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education further establish that the above accounts represent current expenses accounts only and do not reflect additional funds which may become available through any other special dedicated grants.

WHEREAS the annual maximum reimbursement request shall not exceed \$1,500 and shall be subject to the approval requirements of N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby establishes the school district travel maximum reimbursement for the 2024-2025 school year in the amount of \$33,200.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the School Business Administrator shall track and record these costs to ensure that the maximum reimbursement amount is not exceeded.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the maximum expenditure amount established for the pre-budget year (2023-2024) was \$31,400.

On Motion by Mrs. Gilgallon, second by Mrs. Higgins. Discussion: Mrs. Higgins thanked Mrs. Dembowski and the team for continuing to put together the PEA which allows us to offer PreK free of charge to all North Arlington residents and also allows our students to get a head start on their education. Mr. McDermott commented that North Arlington has always been known as a small district and with the population and class size growing he stated that we are no longer small. He said that when he started on the Board 16-17 years ago, the budget was \$28-29M and that now it is up to over \$50M. He said that we are also lucky to receive State aid money which allows us to hire and keep great teachers here. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

GRANTS

8. MOTION TO APPROVE A QUOTE FROM C&M DOOR CONTROLS, INCORPORATED FOR THE REMOVAL AND INSTALLATION OF 3 EXISTING, EXTERIOR DOORS AT JEFFERSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

TIPS CONTRACT 211011

WHEREAS, the North Arlington Board of Education approved the submission and acceptance of NJSDA and NJDOE emergent and capital maintenance funds at its February 12, 2024 board of education meeting; and

WHEREAS, the district has identified 3 existing, exterior doors at Jefferson Elementary School that would qualify as an emergent and capital maintenance need project; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools is recommending that the North Arlington Board of Education approve the quote from C&M Door Controls, Incorporated for the removal and replacement of 3 existing, exterior doors (D5, D3, D4) at Jefferson Elementary School in the amount of \$52,482.32; and

WHEREAS, this project has been submitted to the NJ School Development Authority; and

WHEREAS, the SDA will approve this as a capital maintenance project necessary to address safety needs within a school building and providing funding in the amount of \$48,679.00 to offset the cost of the project.

BE IT RESOLVED that the North Arlington Board of Education approves the quote from C&M Door Controls, Incorporated for the removal and replacement of 3 existing, exterior doors (D5, D3, D4) at Jefferson Elementary School in the amount of \$52,482.32; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the North Arlington Board of Education accepts funding from the School Development Authority in the amount of \$48,679.00 to offset the cost of this capital maintenance project.

On Motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. Dorsett. There was no discussion. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

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CONTRACTS/MEMBERSHIPS

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

DESCRIPTION	COST
The Uncommon Thread (TUT) 2024/2025 Master Service Agreement ABA Professional, ABA Consultant/Teacher, Behavior Specialist. Parent Trainer, FBA Functional Behavior Assessment – one setting and multiple settings, In-service training half day and In-service training full day	Multiple Costs
DC Fagan Psychological Services, LLC Contract for Neuropsychology Evaluation Student’s Name is on File in the Board Office.	\$3,500.00
Kid Clan Services Inc. BCBA Services March through June 2024	\$120/hr.

On Motion by Mrs. Higgins, second by Mr. McDermott. There was no discussion. On Roll Call four Board Members present voted in the affirmative, Mrs. Gilgallon recused herself from voting, and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

FACILITIES

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

The Superintendent recommends that the Board approve facility applications 2306-0014 to 2403-0020.

On Motion by Mrs. Higgins, second by Mr. Smith. There was no discussion. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

CONTRACTS, ADDENDA, BIDS, AND PROPOSALS

The Superintendent stated that he would like to address Item A. He said that a few years ago we started to bring some of our special needs children back into the district. He stated that in the past our children were sent out to an 18-21 transition program and that now we are looking to convert the field house at Veterans Middle School into an independent style classroom to keep our special needs students in district. He stated that it is great to keep our students in their hometown and work with their peers. He thanked everyone involved in contributing toward this project.

11. A. MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF SPIEZLE ARCHITECTURAL GROUP, INC. ASSOCIATED WITH ALTERATIONS TO CONVERT THE CURRENT FIELD HOUSE INTO AN ADULT CLASSROOM (18-21) AT VETERANS MIDDLE SCHOOL

WHEREAS the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approves the professional services of Spiezle Architectural Group, Inc. associated with alterations to convert the current field house into an adult classroom (18-21) at Veterans Middle School as follows:

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Project	Estimated Professional Fee	Estimated Cost of Project
Architectural Services – design, documentation, bidding and support	\$16,500.00	\$358,000.00
Construction Administration and Close Out Fees	\$8,500.00	
Electronic Bidding Fee	\$150.00	

BE IT RESOLVED, the North Arlington Board of Education approves submission of the alterations to convert a storage building into an adult classroom at Veterans Middle School to the New Jersey Department of Education, DOE State Project #TBD, for and Department approval of an “Other Capital Project” with no state funding and amendment of 2008 long range facilities plan to be consistent with the project. Further, the Board also authorizes Spiezle Architectural Group, Inc. to make the submission to the Department of Education on behalf of the district.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the School Business Administrator is authorized to go out for bid for said project.

B. MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FROM MATHUSEK INCORPORATED TO PROVIDE GYM FLOOR REFINISHING AT NORTH ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL, VETERANS MIDDLE SCHOOL, AND SUSAN B. ANTHONY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

WHEREAS, a proposal was received from **Mathusek Incorporated** to provide gym floor refinishing as follows:

School	Description	Cost
North Arlington High School	Main Gym – 1 coat oil	\$2,170.00
Veterans Middle School	Main Gym – 1 coat oil	3,065.00
Veterans Middle School	Stage – 1 coat oil	425.00
Susan B. Anthony Elementary School	Main Gym – 1 coat oil	\$1,800.00
Total Cost		\$7,460.00

WHEREAS, the Superintendent recommends that the Board approves the proposal from **Mathusek Incorporated** to provide gym and stage floor refinishing as shown above in the amount of \$7,460.00.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the proposal from **Mathusek Incorporated** to provide gym floor refinishing at North Arlington High School, Veterans Middle School and Susan B. Anthony Elementary School, and stage floor refinishing at Veterans Middle School only.

C. MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FROM NICKERSON NY, LLC FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF METAL LOCKERS FOR THE NORTH ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

WHEREAS, a proposal was received from **Nickerson NY, LLC** to provide services as follows:

Ed Data Bid # 1017010

Description	Cost
Furnish and install (30) 12” x 12” x 60” single tier, all welded, fully framed graduate premier corridor lockers (30 openings) with 14-gauge louvered doors, full-height door stiffeners, 16-gauge solid sides, 16-gauge shelves, 18-gauge backs, stainless steel recessed handle, multi-point latching, 7 knuckle hinges, slopped top, metal base, boxes end panels, and Master Lock #1630 built-in combination locks.	\$19,820.34
Total Delivered and Installed	\$19,820.34

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WHEREAS, the Superintendent recommends that the Board approves the proposal from Nickerson NY, LLC for the purchase and installation of metal lockers for North Arlington High School in the amount of \$19,820.34.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the proposal from Nickerson NY, LLC for the purchase and installation of metal lockers for North Arlington High School.

Justification:
With the growing enrollment at North Arlington High School, it is recommended that we purchase additional lockers to ensure all of our students have one. We currently have 631 functional lockers and our enrollment is 632. We anticipate our enrollment to go up to 646 during the 2024-2025 school year. This would ensure all of our students have a functioning locker. It would also allow for 30 additional lockers which will help if there are changes to our anticipated enrollment.

D. MOTION TO APPROVE THE QUOTE FROM MAP RESTAURENT SUPPLIES FOR THE PURCHASE OF COMMERCIAL GRADE RESTAURANT EQUIPMENT FOR THE HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA

WHEREAS, quotes were solicited for the purchase of equipment for High School Cafeteria as follows:

VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	COST
MAP Restaurant Supplies Bid #HCEC-Cat-22-08 Co-op #34HUNCCP	Vulcan countertop gas griddle; (2) Dormont gas connector hose kit; (2) Volrath 20” pizza rocker; (3) 63” heavy duty rack covers; Hatco 40” slanted double shelf heated zone merchandiser; Vulcan power fry 3 floor fryer, double auto basket lifts with D or C controls - adds 6.75” depth to the unit – tank cover with work surface top; 30”x48”x35 14/304 stainless steel commercial work table with undershelf; Amana medium duty stainless steel commercial microwave; (8) Sapphire epoxy wire shelving 18”x48”; (8) Sapphire 74” epoxy shelving post	\$28,064.67
Webstaurant Store	Vulcan countertop gas griddle; (2) Dormont gas connector hose kit; (2) Sani-Safe 20” stainless steel pizza rocker; (3) 63” Plastic bun rack covers; Hatco 40” slanted double shelf heated zone merchandiser; Vulcan power fry 3 floor fryer; 30”x48”x35” 14-gauge stainless steel commercial work table with undershelf; Amana medium duty stainless steel commercial microwave; (8) Regency epoxy wire shelving 18”x48”; (8) Regency 74” epoxy shelving post	\$29,659.42

WHEREAS, the purchase will be made through cafeteria funds; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approves the quote from MAP Restaurant Supplies in the amount of \$28,064.67; and

BE IT RESOLVED, the North Arlington Board of Education approves the quote from MAP Restaurant Supplies for the purchase of commercial grade restaurant equipment for the High School Cafeteria.

E. MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FROM JCT SOLUTIONS FOR THE RENEWAL OF CISCO SWITCHES SMARTNET DISTRICT-WIDE

WHEREAS, a proposal was received from JCT Solutions for the renewal of Cisco Switches Smartnet as follows:

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DESCRIPTION	COST
Cisco Switches Smartnet Renewal	\$43,532.94
TOTAL	\$43,532.94

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WHEREAS, the Superintendent recommends that the Board approves the proposal from **JCT Solutions** for the renewal of Cisco Switches Smartnet district-wide in the amount of \$43,532.94.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the proposal from **JCT Solutions** for the renewal of Cisco Switches Smartnet district-wide.

Justification:

The Cisco switch contract renewal will allow us to continue servicing the wired and wireless networks throughout the district which include but are not limited to, copiers, printers, student Chromebooks, laptops, desktops, and phones.

F. MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FROM JCT SOLUTIONS FOR THE UPGRADE OF CISCO MERAKI WIRELESS ACCESS POINTS DISTRICT-WIDE

WHEREAS, a proposal was received from **JCT Solutions** for the upgrade of Cisco Meraki wireless access points district-wide as follows:

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DESCRIPTION	COST
(177) Meraki MR46 802.11ax 3.50 Gbit/s wireless access point - 2.40 GHz, 5GHz – IMO Technology – 1 x network ((RJ-45) – 2.5 gigabit ethernet – desktop, ceiling mountable, wall mountable, rail mountable	\$176,992.92
(177) Meraki MR Enterprise cloud controller license, 5 years – Meraki MR Series Access Point – Subscription License – 5-year license validation period	\$ 79,929.66
(1) Miscellaneous and ancillary parts	\$ 2,725.00
TOTAL	\$259,647.58

WHEREAS, this is a 2024-2025 budgeted project and part of the three-year technology plan.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent recommends that the Board approves the proposal from **JCT Solutions** for the upgrade of Cisco Meraki Access Points district-wide in the amount of \$259,647.58.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education hereby approves the proposal from **JCT Solutions** for the upgrade of Cisco Meraki Access Points district-wide.

Justification:

The Meraki AP (access point) upgrade will allow us to monitor and maintain the wireless networks more efficiently, and provide better security to the schools' networks. This comes at an opportune time as the current WiFi infrastructure is aging out and needs to be replaced.

G. MOTION TO APPROVE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH RICOH COPIER STATE CONTRACT #52426 FOR THE NORTH ARLINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the North Arlington Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the “Board”) pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-10(a) may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under a State contract entered into on behalf of the State of New Jersey by the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury (hereinafter referred to as the “State Division of Purchase and Property”); and

WHEREAS, the Vendor, Ricoh, is providing the lease with sixty (60) monthly payments in the amount of \$6,218.78 per month for twenty-one (21) copiers, **producing a savings to the district of \$70.61 per month**; and

WHEREAS, the School Business Administrator has documented that the Equipment and Lease best meet the needs of the North Arlington School District and Ricoh has represented that all equipment and services covered by the agreement correspond to the aforementioned line items on the State contract; and

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WHEREAS, the purchase of goods or services through State contract is consistent with a "fair and open" process under N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.7.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Board hereby approves the lease/purchase of the Equipment pursuant to State Contract Number 52426, in accordance with the GSA/FSS Schedule GS-03F-0085U, in the amount of \$6,218.78 per month, over a 60-month period, in accordance with the terms of the Lease Agreement thereto, which is attached to this resolution and approved by the Board.
2. The Board Secretary is hereby authorized to negotiate, enter into, execute, and deliver such other documents relating to the lease purchase agreement as the Board Secretary deems necessary and appropriate. All other related contracts and agreements necessary and incidental to the lease purchase agreement are hereby authorized.
3. The Board authorizes the Board Secretary to approve any changes or deletions to the lease purchase agreement and related documents as may, in the judgment of the Board attorney be necessary, advisable and in the best interest of the Board.
4. The School Business Administrator is hereby authorized to execute the Lease Agreement attached to this resolution on behalf of the Board and any other documents necessary to implement the Lease Agreement consistent with the terms of this resolution
5. The payments shall be subject to the annual appropriation of funds sufficient to meet the required payments.
6. The School Business Administrator is hereby directed to file the Lease Purchase Agreement with the Executive County Superintendent.
7. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this award is expressly contingent upon the Lessor executing the lease agreement attached thereto.

H. MOTION TO APPROVE THE JOINT TRANSPORTATION & SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH SOUTH BERGEN JOINTURE COMMISSION FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Arlington Board of Education does hereby approve an agreement with the South Bergen Jointure Commission, an approved Coordinated Transportation Services Agency, for the purposes of transporting students in accordance with Chapter 53, P.L. 1997 for the time period 2024-2025 school year. The services to be provided include, but are not limited to, the Coordinated Transportation of nonpublic, out-of-district special education, vocational and summer programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the North Arlington board of Education agrees to abide by the Transportation Services Agreement as published by the South Bergen Jointure Commission and attached to this resolution.

I. MOTION TO APPROVE THE QUOTE FROM AIR PRO HEATING & COOLING LLC FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF A MINI-SPLIT HEAT PUMP SYSTEM FOR ROOM 208 IN NORTH ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

WHEREAS, a quote was received from **AIR PRO Heating and Cooling LLC** for the purchase and installation of a mini-split heat pump system for Room 208 in North Arlington High School as follows:

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VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	COST
AIR PRO Heating & Cooling LLC	Installation of a new 18,000 BTU Lux-Aire single zone ductless mini-split system heat-pump system. The new indoor unit will be installed on wall of computer room. Install the condenser on lower roof of garage area and will be installed on a wall bracket as needed. Install all necessary control wire, copper line set, and drain material as needed. A condensate pump will be installed in back closet and re-piped to outside as needed. Install slim-duct covering on all exposed pipe outside as needed. Complete start up of new equipment after installation.	\$7,500.00

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approves the quote from **AIR PRO Heating & Cooling LLC** in the amount of \$7,500.00; and

BE IT RESOLVED, the North Arlington Board of Education approves the quote from **AIR PRO Heating & Cooling LLC** for the purchase and installation of a mini-split heat pump system for Room 208 in North Arlington High School.

J. MOTION TO APPROVE ELECTRICAL SERVICES FOR THE DISTRICT – SECOND RENEWAL

WHEREAS, the North Arlington Board of Education requires the services of a licensed electrician to provide on-call electrical services; and

WHEREAS, the Board solicited proposals from interested professionals to provide on-call electrical services; and

WHEREAS, Sal Electric Co., Inc. (“Sal Electric”), submitted a proposal in response to the Board’s request for proposals, which Proposal is attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the proposal submitted by Sal Electric is responsive in all respects and is most advantageous to the Board, price and other factors considered; and

WHEREAS, Sal Electric has previously provided services to the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board is desirous of retaining the services of Sal Electric in accordance with the terms, conditions and specifications of the RFP for a second twelve-month period; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board awards a contract to Sal Electric to commence on April 1, 2024, to provide on-call electrical services pursuant to the terms, conditions, and specifications set forth in the RFP, at the rates set forth in Sal Electric’s proposal:

Rate: Straight Time 7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. (Monday-Friday)	Rate: Overtime 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 a.m. and all day Saturday	Rate: Sundays and Holidays
\$94.46/hour	\$141.69/hour	\$188.92/hour

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board awards this contract to Sal Electric for the following reasons:

- 1. The fee structures proposed are most advantageous to the Board, price and other factors considered.
- 2. Experience and resources necessary to perform the contract have been demonstrated.
- 3. Reputation and responsibility of the contractor are satisfactory.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to extend the contract for a second year. In the event the Board exercises this option, the contract for the second year shall be awarded at the same rates set forth above in accordance with the proposal submitted by Sal Electric.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board authorizes the Board President and the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary to execute an Agreement, and any other documents necessary to effectuate the award.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary is directed to monitor the performance of the contract to ensure that it does not exceed the bid threshold during the contract year.

On Motion by Mrs. Gilgallon, second by Mr. Smith. Discussion: Mrs. Gilgallon said that she was thankful for the field house project. She said that special education is very near and dear to her heart. She stated that to have an 18-21 transition program where students are educated in our community and learn the real life skills and how to access agencies and resources where they live is huge for these students and phenomenal for the district to have. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

~~**K. MOTION TO APPROVE THE QUOTE FROM K&J ACCESSORIES, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF A SINGLE SIDED LED DISPLAY FOR NORTH ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL**~~

~~**WHEREAS**, quotes were solicited for the purchase and installation of a single-sided LED Display for North Arlington High School as follows:~~

VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	COST
~~K&J Accessories, Inc.~~	~~Supply and install (1) Single-Sided RGB full color 10mm LED display 4'8" H x 11'9" W~~	~~\$34,523.00~~
~~SIGNS PLUS~~	~~Supply and install (1) Single-Sided Ascend LED display 7'0" H x 10'0" W~~	~~\$37,730.00~~

~~**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approves the quote from **K&J Accessories, Inc.** in the amount of \$34,523.00; and~~

~~**BE IT RESOLVED**, the North Arlington Board of Education approves the quote from **K&J Accessories, Inc.** for the purchase and installation of a single-sided LED display for North Arlington High School.~~

The Board President said that Item K. was being tabled and on hold for further investigation and will be brought up at another time.

L. MOTION TO APPROVE THE QUOTE FROM MAP RESTAURENT SUPPLIES FOR THE PURCHASE OF COMMERCIAL GRADE RESTAURANT EQUIPMENT FOR THE HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA

WHEREAS, quotes were solicited for the purchase of equipment for High School Cafeteria as follows:

VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	COST
MAP Restaurant Supplies	Globe S13A 13" Heavy Duty Automatic Meat Slicer – ½ hp	\$9,350.00
Webstaurant Store	Globe S13A 13" Heavy Duty Automatic Meat Slicer – ½ hp	\$9,386.00

WHEREAS, the purchase will be made through cafeteria funds; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approves the quote from **MAP Restaurant Supplies** in the amount of \$9,350.00; and

BE IT RESOLVED, the North Arlington Board of Education approves the quote from **MAP Restaurant Supplies** for the purchase of commercial grade restaurant equipment for the High School Cafeteria.

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Justification:

The current slicer is missing parts. In addition, it is supposed to have a sharpener, but the apparatus to sharpen it is missing. The blade is dull and dangerous and no longer cuts well increasing the opportunity for someone to get injured. The slicer causes waste with the inconsistent cutting because the blade is so dull. Replacing the parts would likely cost thousands of dollars to get the slicer where it needs to be in order for it to be efficient and safe to use.

M. MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR TO ADVERTISE FOR PROPOSALS FOR ON-CALL PLUMBING SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Superintendent recommends that the Board authorize the School Business Administrator to advertise for proposals for on-call plumbing services for the district.

Justification: The plumbing bid has expired and these services are essential.

N. MOTION TO AWARD THE WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GYM FLOOR REPLACEMENT TO BILLY CONTRACTING & RESTORATION, INC.

WHEREAS, the North Arlington Board of Education (the “Board”) advertised for bids for the Gym Floor Replacement at Washington Elementary School (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2024, the Board received and publicly opened bids for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the lowest bidder, Billy Contracting & Restoration, Inc. (“Billy Contracting” or the “contractor”), submitted a base bid in the amount of \$266,000, with Alternate Bid AB-01 – Wall Mounted Protection Pads in the amount of \$95,000 and Alternate Bid AB-01 – Wood Sports Flooring in the amount of \$0; and

WHEREAS, the bid submitted by Billy Contracting is responsive in all material respects and it is the Board’s desire to award the contract for the Project to Billy Contracting, including both alternates.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board awards the contract for the Project to Billy Contracting in a total contract sum of \$361,000, reflecting the base bid plus Alternate Bid AB-01 – Wall Mounted Protection Pads and Alternate Bid AB-01 – Wood Sports Flooring.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this award is expressly conditioned upon the contractor furnishing the requisite insurance certificate and labor and materials/performance bond as required in the Project specifications, together with an AA201-Project Manning Report, and an executed AIA contract, as prepared by the Board Attorney, within ten days of the date hereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board Attorney is hereby directed to draft the agreement with the successful bidder consistent with this Resolution and with the terms contained in the bid documents approved by the Board for the Project. The Board President and the Board Secretary are hereby authorized to execute such agreement and any other documents necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

O. MOTION TO APPROVE THE QUOTE FROM MBT CONTRACTING LLC FOR RENOVATIONS AT APPLETREE DAYCARE

WHEREAS, quotes were solicited to provide the following services at AppleTree Daycare:

Vendor	Description	Project Cost
MBT Contracting LLC	Demolition work for small room, closing wall by previous entry door. Remove the partial height partition and gate. All open area on floor and ceiling will be closed, ceiling tiles and VCT floor tiles to match existing tiles as close as possible. 2x4 studs, sheetrock, spackle, and paint to match existing color of walls. All debris/demo materials will be removed from school property.	\$8,900.00

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Ris Construction Corp.	Non-Responsive	
	Total	\$8,900.00

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that the North Arlington Board of Education approves the quote from **MBT Contracting LLC** in the amount of \$8,900.00; and

BE IT RESOLVED, the North Arlington Board of Education approves the quote from **MBT Contracting LLC** to provide services at AppleTree Daycare.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all services for this project are being funded through 20-218 PreK Aid.

On Motion by Mrs. Higgins, second by Mrs. Gilgallon. There was no discussion. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

LIAISON TO INDIVIDUAL SCHOOLS

Anthony School	Edward Smith and Michele Higgins
Jefferson School	Robert Dorsett and Heather Gilgallon
Roosevelt School	George McDermott and Edward Smith
Washington School	Heather Gilgallon and Michele Higgins
Veterans Middle School	George McDermott, Michele Higgins, and Edward Smith
High School	George McDermott, Robert Dorsett, and Heather Gilgallon

INSTRUCTION AND PROGRAM

Michele Higgins, Chairman
Heather Gilgallon, Co-Chairman

OPERATIONS

George McDermott, Chairman
Heather Gilgallon and Michele Higgins, Co-Chairman

GOVERNANCE

Michele Higgins, Chairman
Edward Smith, Co-Chairman

FISCAL MANAGEMENT

Edward Smith, Chairman
Robert Dorsett, Co-Chairman

STUDENT AND COMMUNITY

Robert Dorsett, Chairman
Edward Smith, Co-Chairman

PERSONNEL

George McDermott, Chairman
Heather Gilgallon, Co-Chairman

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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 March 11, 2024 adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

On Motion by Mrs. Higgins, second by Mrs. Gilgallon. There was no discussion. On Roll Call all Board Members present voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, it was so ordered.

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