

Board of Education Regular Meeting

Monday, June 9, 2025 7:00 PM Central

HS CONFERENCE ROOM

705 N 9th Street
Arlington, NE 68002

Jason Arp: Present

Cassie Flesner: Present

Chase Kratochvil: Present

Brian Laaker: Present

Steve Slykhuis: Absent

Shanon Willmott: Present

Present: 5, Absent: 1.

Steve called in absence due to work

Steve Slykhuis: Present

Present: 6.

Chase Kratochvil: Absent

Steve Slykhuis: Absent

Present: 4, Absent: 2.

1. OPENING PROCEDURES

1.1. Call Meeting to Order

Cassie Flesner called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

1.2. Roll Call

Motion to excuse the absence of Chase Kratochvil from tonight's board meeting Passed with a motion by Cassie Flesner and a second by Brian Laaker.

Jason Arp: Yea, Cassie Flesner: Yea, Brian Laaker: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

Motion to excuse Steve Slykhuis from tonight's meetings Passed with a motion by Cassie Flesner and a second by Brian Laaker.

Jason Arp: Yea, Cassie Flesner: Yea, Brian Laaker: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

1.3. Pledge of Allegiance

1.4. Approval of Regular Meeting Agenda

Motion to approve the regular meeting agenda as presented Passed with a motion by Cassie Flesner and a second by Jason Arp.

Jason Arp: Yea, Cassie Flesner: Yea, Brian Laaker: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

2. WELCOME TO GUESTS AND PUBLIC FORUM

2.1. Darin Hanigan with DLR

Darin Hanigan with DLR was here to present to the board the DLR proposal for the planning of update the facility. The proposal is to start looking at the future facility renovations and/or updates to the building and to start the planning process. The board will take action on the item later in this meeting.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented Passed with a motion by Jason Arp and a second by Brian Laaker.

Cassie Flesner: Abstain (With Conflict), Jason Arp: Yea, Brian Laaker: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

3.1. Minutes of the Previous Board Meeting(s)

3.2. Monthly Financial Reports

3.3.

Resignations:

Hires: Chris Flesner, Skilled and Technical Science (STS)

Reassignments:

4. PRINCIPALS' REPORTS

4.1. Dr. Morgan's Elementary Report

4.2. Mr. Shada's Activity Report

4.3. Mr. Pfingsten's Secondary Report

5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Lewis presented the board various different pieces of info in her board report. She went over some legislative bills and where they are in session and the monitoring of ESSERS funding from the state. She discussed her summer schedule and upcoming leave as well and went over the athletic budget and some changes that will shift over to the general fund budget due to the usage and how it applies to the school district in general, not just necessarily athletics.

5.1. Review of NDE Program Monitoring for Federal ESSERS funds

5.2. NASB and NRCSA Reports

5.3. Final Legislative Report 2025

5.4. Report on Superintendent Schedule for June/July

5.5. Review of budget items in GF athletics v. AF athletics

- What is shifting to General?
- How does 2025-2026 compare to 2024-2025?

6. COMMITTEE AND REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

6.1. Buildings and Grounds/Transportation

Building and grounds met this evening before the board meeting, and went over the information from DLR and Transportation information from Jennifer Arp.

6.2. Professional Development Sharing

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1. Review Policies 5007-5104:

- 5007- Admission Foreign Exchange
- 5008- Attendance, Parent Release and County Attorney Policy
- 5009- Attendance During Day
- 5010- Census
- 5011- Parent Student Handbook
- 5012- Military Recruiters
- 5013- Class Size Limit and Reduction
- removed 5101 due to new policy
- 5102- Alternative Education
- removed 5103 due to new policy
- 5104- Drug Policy

8.2. Discuss, Consider and Take Necessary Action to Approve Camera System Upgrade
Motion to Approve Camera System Upgrade with Total Fire and Security for the amount of \$51,826.54 to be paid from QCPUF Passed with a motion by Cassie Flesner and a second by Jason Arp.

Jason Arp: Yea, Cassie Flesner: Yea, Brian Laaker: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

Dr. Lewis went over the two bids for the camera upgrade and system. She discussed the differences in the bids- both bids will provide the same amounts of coverage, just some minor differences in placements and types of cameras used.. There are no annual fees with either system, just the initial licenses for the new cameras.

The board had an opportunity to ask questions and clarify a few of the items listed on the bids.

8.3. Discuss, Consider and Take Necessary Action to Approve iReady as the District Academic Screener and Intervention Tool

Motion to Approve iReady as the District Academic Screener and Intervention for the cost of \$45,518 for three years Passed with a motion by Shanon Willmott and a second by Cassie Flesner.

Jason Arp: Yea, Cassie Flesner: Yea, Brian Laaker: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

Discussion has been had a few times about this curriculum item, and the board has had a couple opportunities to hear about this tool for the school for a 3 year contract instead. It has been highly recommended to the board from staff who was able to utilize it this last year. It will be a huge benefit to all our elementary students, and should show great growth in our testing and curriculum.

8.4. Discuss, Consider and Take Necessary Action to Adopt NASB's Proposed Arlington Public Schools Strategic Plan Framework 2025-2030

Motion to Adopt NASB's Proposed Arlington Public Schools Strategic Plan Framework 2025-

2030 Passed with a motion by Jason Arp and a second by Shanon Willmott.

Jason Arp: Yea, Cassie Flesner: Yea, Brian Laaker: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

Board discussed this item at the retreat, this will be the new platform for the board and the board goals. This program will be integrated into the board and strategies going forward.

8.5. Discuss, Consider and take Necessary Action to Increase Credit Limit on Pinnacle Bank Credit Card to \$50,000

Motion to Increase Credit Limit on Pinnacle Bank Credit Card to \$50,000 Passed with a motion by Cassie Flesner and a second by Jason Arp.

Jason Arp: Yea, Cassie Flesner: Yea, Brian Laaker: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

Board discussed items pertaining to purchases, we have found that it was hard to make larger purchases from outside companies to make larger purchases. The credit card limit is at \$30,000 currently, and with some of the other purchases that are needed are much larger and the limit isn't always there to make purchases that are needed.

8.6. Discuss, Consider and Take Necessary Action to Engage with DLR for \$10,000 at the "Campus Future Plan" Level of Engagement

Motion to Engage with DLR for \$10,000 at the "Campus Future Plan" Level of Engagement Passed with a motion by Jason Arp and a second by Shanon Willmott.

Jason Arp: Yea, Cassie Flesner: Yea, Brian Laaker: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

DLR was here and went over the items listed in this engagement plan to start the discussion of planning for facilities for the future. This plan will take a look at the building and what are needs are going forward for this next couple of years. They will work with APS to come up with options for the district based on the districts needs and future outlook for the facility. This includes upgrades and renovations, and possible additions.

8.7. Discuss, Consider and Take Necessary Action to Adopt Policy Updates from Legislative Action:

- 1200- Anti-Harassment
- 3131- Procurement Plan
- 3132- Internal Controls
- 3410- Safe Driving Record Standard for Drivers
- 4003- Employee Anti-Discrimination and forms
- 4009- Drug and Substance Abuse
- 5001- Admission
- 5004- Full-time and Part-time Enrollment
- 5101- Student Discipline
- 5103- Extracurricular Activity Discipline
- 5201- Promotion and Retention
- 5201x- Request to Repeat Grade Form (new)
- 5202z- Notification of Rights Under FERPA
- 5301- Association Activities
- 5401- Equal Opportunity Students
- 5414- Identification of Learners with High Ability
- 5507- Foster Care Student Transportation (new)
- 6113- Electronic Communication Devices and Cell Phones (new)

- 6400- Parental Involvement
- 6931- Behavioral Intervention and Classroom Management (new)

8.8. Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action to Approve Twig Science K-6 Pilot for 2025-2026 as Presented

Quote was submitted from TWIG for the pilot program, the quote came in at a much higher price than anticipated for curriculum. This item will need to be tabled until further meeting to discuss more when the cost is more responsible to the district.

8.9. Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action to Approve Student Request for Early Graduation

Motion to Approve Student Request for Early Graduation Passed with a motion by Cassie Flesner and a second by Shanon Willmott.

Jason Arp: Yea, Cassie Flesner: Yea, Brian Laaker: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

Mr. Pfingsten addressed the board on behalf of a student expressing interest in early graduation. The student and family as long as counseling office was onboard with the student moving forward. Cassie Flesner asked the question on the policy and how do we address this since the timeline was not quite met. She wanted to make sure that we keep our standards and keep our students accountable, and making sure that they follow policy going forward.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Cassie Flesner adjourned the meeting at 8:28pm