

ESCALATING ISSUES

Meetings of the Arlington School Committee are held in public to conduct public business, but are not necessarily public meetings in the sense that any matter at any time may be heard from those in attendance and discussed at that time. The School Committee shall conduct its public business with order and efficiency.

1. When a situation arises or is brought to the attention of the School Committee that is not covered by board policy or past practice and requires immediate attention, the Superintendent shall act to investigate and resolve the situation. He/she must immediately inform the members that such an action has been necessary. The Superintendent's decision may be reviewed at the next regular meeting of the board.
2. The Superintendent will keep a running list of escalating issues and their status will be provided to the School Committee periodically. It is the expectation that these issues will be resolved by the administration.
3. For those issues presented directly to the committee where immediate action is not required, the board will refer the subject to the Superintendent for a second look resolution in consultation with parents and/or members of the general community (depending on the situation) appropriate administrators, and teachers. This report shall be given to the School Committee at the next regular meeting or as soon as possible. The School Committee shall make a decision after receiving and reviewing all pertinent information.

CROSS REF: BDDH (Also KD), Public Participation at School Committee Meetings
 KL, Public Complaints