

MINUTES

Fairfax County School Board

Burkholder Administrative Center

Work Session No. 41/**Instruction, Special Services, and Youth Development**

February 13, 2006

MEETING OPENING

41.02 Call to Order and Announcements

Instruction, Special Services, and Youth Development Committee Chairman Kathy Smith convened the meeting in public session at 11:07 a.m. with the following members present:

Catherine Belter (Springfield)	Phil Niedzielski-Eichner (Providence)
Brad Center (Lee; ABSENT)	Janet Oleszek (At Large)
Stuart Gibson (Hunter Mill; ABSENT)	Kathy Smith (Sully; dpt. 12:00 noon)
Stephen Hunt (At Large)	Dan Storck (Mount Vernon; arr. 11:32)
Kaye Kory (Mason; ABSENT)	Jane Strauss (Dranesville)
Ilryong Moon (At Large; ABSENT)	Tessie Wilson (Braddock)

Also present were Division Superintendent Jack Dale; Deputy Superintendent Brad Draeger; Deputy Clerk of the Board Linda Sabo; Administrative Assistant Joann Kinney; Assistant Superintendent for Special Services Alice Farling; Assistant Superintendent for Information Technology Maribeth Luftglass; Director of Special Education Program and Services Patricia Addison; DSS FASTeam Coordinator Jim Bochert; IT Customer Support Specialist Jean McNeal, and certain other individuals. Student Representative to the School Board Samantha Kunkel was absent.

DISCUSSION

41.03 Special Education Parent Survey (Exhibit A)

- Special Education Parent Survey included satisfaction data collected between December 1, 2004, and December 1, 2005;
- highlights of survey: team effort in preparation of survey, small number of responses but high percentage of parent satisfaction indicated, and parents felt the eligibility process was too long;
- possibility that individual schools could create their own surveys using a central database of questions;
- concern that all parents knew about and had access to survey;
- Virginia Department of Education to develop statewide survey and could learn from FCPS effort.

41.04 On-Line IEP System Update (Exhibit B)

- Introduction of on-line IEP software with demonstration of key features using fictional case file;
- survey of teachers indicated high level of excitement about online IEPs;
- there will be an independent audit to track document changes; phased implementation to be complete by January 2007; security was maintained with encrypted information;
- current budget allowed for training of special education teachers first and then general education teachers and technology support teachers.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:32 p.m.