

MINUTES
Fairfax County School Board
Gatehouse Administration Center I

Work Session No. 40/**Policy**

January 22, 2007

40.01 Call to Order and Announcements

Meeting Manager Jane Strauss convened the meeting in public session at 9:05 a.m. with the following Board members present:

Catherine Belter (Springfield; ABSENT)	Phil Niedzielski-Eichner (Providence arr 9:10)
Brad Center (Lee; ABSENT)	Janet Oleszek (At Large)
Stuart Gibson (Hunter Mill)	Kathy Smith (Sully)
Stephen Hunt (At Large)	Dan Storck (Mount Vernon)
Kaye Kory (Mason arr 9:12)	Jane Strauss (Dranesville)
Ilryong Moon (At Large)	Tessie Wilson (Braddock arr 9:20)

Also present were Division Superintendent Jack Dale; Deputy Superintendent Richard Moniuszko; Deputy Executive Assistant Pat Charbonneau; Management Technician Darlene Chamberlain; Division Counsel Anne Murphy; Chief Operating Officer Dean Tistadt; Chief Financial Officer Deirdra McLaughlin; Assistant Superintendent for Special Services Alice Farling; and certain other individuals. Student Representative to the Board Jessica Miller was absent.

DISCUSSION

40.02 Policy 8420, Community Use (Exhibit A)

- Discussion about maintaining the existing community use policy or expanding the policy to allow more access by for-profit organizations and individual use;
- although revenue would be increased if for-profit applications were accepted, the for-profit educational use should not compete with activities already offered by FCPS; and
- suggestion to modify regulation to allow for-profit groups to use FCPS facilities at the commercial rate as long as there was no interference with school use and the activities or events served an educational purpose.

40.03 Policy 2202, Eligibility for Enrollment (Exhibit B)

- In response to a request for statistics relating to modifying the policy to allow non-county resident employees' children to enroll in Fairfax County Public Schools on a full, reduced, or free tuition basis; estimates indicated that 27% of employees live outside of Fairfax County; that it would cost approximately \$18 million if 20% of those outside of the county enrolled one child; and that an estimated annual cost for educating two children would be \$25,825; and
- consensus to delay further discussion until more information could be obtained on how other school divisions were handling this issue and what other benefit options could cover all employees.

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40.04 Policy 2301, Psychological Services for Students (Exhibit C)

40.05 Policy 2418, Reporting Student Progress to Parents and Guardians (Exhibit D)

40.06 Policy 7201, School food Service Program (Exhibit E)

There was no discussion on these three policies.

40.07 Policy 8230, School Design Guidelines (Exhibit F)

- Discussion about the involvement of the community and PTAs on identifying facility issues for school building renovations through meetings and mailings; and
- consensus to strengthen notification procedures and to include homeowners associations and adjacent neighbors in the notification process.

40.08 Policy 8240, Construction Bids, Contracts, Bonds, Conflict of Interest, Protection, and Guarantees (Exhibit G)

- Discussion about staff's recommendation to increase the dollar amount of base contracts that could be approved and executed by the chief operating officer and the Superintendent; and
- consensus to leave the policy as currently written with the School Board approving any contract for \$250,000 or higher.

40.09 LEP Testing Resolution (Exhibit H)

- Discussion on the proposed resolution regarding the process used to assess Limited English Proficiency (LEP) students in accordance with the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) mandates; and
- resolution would be included as an action item at the January 25, 2007, regular School Board meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.