

MINUTES

Fairfax County School Board

Gatehouse Administration Center

Work Session No. 6/Instruction

July 13, 2009

6.01 Call to Order and Announcements

Meeting Manager Moon convened the meeting at 12:50 p.m. with the following Board members present:

Elizabeth T. Bradsher (Springfield)
Brad Center (Lee)
Stuart D. Gibson (Hunter Mill; ABSENT)
Martina A. Hone (At Large)
Kaye Kory (Mason; ABSENT)
Ilryong Moon (At Large)

James L. Raney (At Large)
Kathy L. Smith (Sully)
Daniel G. Storck (Mount Vernon)
Jane K. Strauss (Dranesville)
Tessie Wilson (Braddock)
Vacant (Providence)

[Clerk's note: Effective June 18, 2009, Providence district member Phil Niedzielski-Eichner resigned; the seat will remain vacant until the November 2009 special election.]

Also present were Division Superintendent Jack Dale; Executive Assistant and Clerk of the Board Pam Goddard; Deputy Executive Assistant and Deputy Clerk of the Board Pat Charbonneau; Executive Administrative Assistant Joann Kinney; Assistant Superintendent of Instruction Peter Noonan; and Gifted and Talented Programs Coordinator Carol Horn. The Student Representative to the School Board Shawn Ghuman was present.

DISCUSSION

6.02 Current FCPS Advanced Academic Programs (Exhibit A)

- In this second of three discussions on advanced academic programs, information was shared with the Board about kindergarten through high school procedures in Fairfax County Public Schools for identifying students for advanced academic services, delivery of services, curriculum development, professional development for teachers, and family and community involvement;
- seven middle schools (Carson, Glasgow, Hughes, Longfellow, Poe, Thoreau, Whitman) would pilot an "open enrollment" procedure for honors classes in the 2009-2010 school year;
- discussion about the need for level IV services in both center and school-based programs;
- staff would respond to School Board questions before the third segment of the discussion at the School Board retreat on July 18, 2009.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m.