

MINUTES
Smart Savings Task Force

Date: November 24, 2009

Time Convened: 3:10 p.m.

Place: Fairfax County Government Center

School Board Attendance:

Kathy Smith- Absent
Dan Storck
Jane Strauss- Absent

Board of Supervisors Attendance:

Sharon Bulova
Penny Gross
Jeff McKay

Staff Attendance:

Jack Dale
Dean Tistadt
Susan Quinn
Kim Dockery
Ed Long
Verdi Haywood
Susan Datta
Teresa Zutter
Nannette Bowler
Ann Marie Twohie

Others: Joann Kinney

Issues Discussed:

(Exhibit A)

- An RFP was being prepared and would remove ambiguity about services and allow competition for a refuse collection contract jointly serving Fairfax County and Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS), and savings would be achieved in any case;
- discussed “Walking School Bus” concept; would look for examples of schools where this was operating successfully, identify pathways that need work in order to be safe and navigable, find ways to raise parent comfort levels on safety issues, and talk to PTAs about promoting walking as a cost-saving measure and a student health benefit;
- presentation on School Age Child Care (SACC); an RFP would be released in January 2010 for a pilot extended day program using an outside vendor in the gym and cafeteria only of White Oaks and Clearview Elementary Schools, and services would begin in September 2010;
- social and family services of Fairfax County and FCPS had collaborated to establish a cost-saving, one-stop model for client families to access social worker and psychologist services, to coordinate early-intervention, preventative and follow-up services, to ensure linkage of needy families and homeless families to the services available, and to empower families by providing connections evidenced in the model of eleven schools that were connected directly to county services.

Next meeting scheduled for February 16, 2010, at 3:00 p.m. at the Gatehouse Administration Center – Room 1600.

Adjourned: 5:10 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Joann Kinney