

**MINUTES**  
**Fairfax County School Board**  
**Jackson Middle School**

Work Session No. 87/Linkage

March 4, 2010

**87.01 Call to Order and Announcements**

Committee Chairman Storck convened the meeting at 5:05 p.m. with the following Board members present:

Elizabeth T. Bradsher (Springfield)  
Stuart D. Gibson (Hunter Mill)

Martina A. Hone (At Large)  
Daniel G. Storck (Mount Vernon)

Also present were Division Superintendent Jack D. Dale; Assistant Superintendent for Communications and Community Outreach Barbara Hunter; and Deputy Executive Assistant and Deputy Clerk Pat Charbonneau.

**DISCUSSION**

**87.02 School Board Budget Forum Debrief**

- Consensus that the budget forum was worthwhile and should be included in next year's communications plan;
- the opening session at the next forum would have four major bullet points, to be selected and addressed;
- breakout sessions were too time-limited and consensus was to increase breakout sessions to 45 minutes each;
- DCCO would send an e-mail thank you and follow-up survey for participants.

**87.03 Committee Name Change**

- Consensus that "Linkage Committee" did not adequately express the purpose of the committee;
- names proposed were "Community Engagement Committee" or "Community Linkage Committee";
- the proposed names would be presented at the March 8 Linkage work session for Board selection.

**87.04 Opportunity for Students to Shade School Board Members**

- Shadowing would provide an opportunity for students to learn how the School Board governed the school system and to encourage them to become more engaged in student leadership roles;
- middle school students were an ideal age for cultivating interest in student government and the student representative position;
- linked to the middle school citizenship course and Goal 3. Responsibility to the Community;
- an internship, perhaps in the School Board office, would allow the selected to student an inside view of the School Board; and
- the Linkage Committee would develop a proposal for the student selection and implementation process, and present it to the School Board at a future meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 5:28 p.m.