

MINUTES
Fairfax County School Board
Luther Jackson Middle School

Work Session No. 109/**Forum on Board Topics**

April 22, 2010

109.01 Call to Order and Announcements

Chairman Smith convened the meeting at 5:31 p.m. with the following Board members present:

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

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

Also present were Division Superintendent Jack D. Dale; Executive Assistant and Clerk of the Board Pam Goddard; Deputy Executive Assistant and Deputy Clerk of the Board Yvette Rhodes; and certain other individuals. The Student Representative to the School Board Shawn Ghuman was absent.

DISCUSSION

109.02 Forum Topics (Exhibit A)

Options for Future School Calendars (Storck)

- Discussion regarding changes to the school calendar to allow for a spring break that was based on the occurrence of the Easter holiday;
- community input would be required before the Board would make changes to the school calendar;
- options to the early Monday closing of elementary schools should address impact on Professional Learning Communities;
- agreement that any changes to the school calendar would be based on the instructional impact;
- consensus that the Superintendent provide feedback on the school calendar that addressed the educational implication of counting hours of instruction rather than days and the instructional impact of early Monday closing.

Vietnamese Flag Recognition (Hone)

- Deferred to a future meeting.

Board Member “Best Practices” for Community Outreach (Storck)

- Deferred to a future meeting.

Video streaming of School Board Meetings (Storck)

- Deferred to a future meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.