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Fairfax County School Board

Gatehouse Administration Center I

Work Session No.24/**Governance**

September 15, 2010

1.01 Call to Order and Announcements

Committee Chairman Center convened the meeting at 11:45 a.m. with the following Board members present:

Brad Center (Lee)
Ilryong Moon (At Large)

Patricia R. Reed (Providence)
Kathy L. Smith (Sully; dep. 12:35)

Also present were Division Superintendent Jack Dale; Executive Assistant and Clerk of the Board Pam Goddard; Executive Administrative Assistant Kathy Partlow; Assistant Superintendent for Communications and Community Outreach Barbara Hunter; and certain other individuals.

DISCUSSION

1.02 Debrief of July 23-24, 2010 School Board Retreat

- Requested the Clerk to send Aspen Group's summary of the July 2010, retreat to all Board members;
- next School Board retreat scheduled for November 6, 2010, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; retreat agenda to include: debrief of October 16, 2010, Education Summit, School Board assessment to determine how well Board members were maintaining a "relentless focus on student achievement," and Priority Schools Initiative presentation.

1.03 Priority Schools Initiative

- Included as an agenda item for the November 6, 2010, retreat;
- as preparation for the retreat, staff would send a draft of the Priority Schools Initiative briefing to the Governance Committee for feedback.

1.04 FCPS "Good News" Communications and State of the Schools Report

- Discussed formatting ideas, optimal page number, target audience (internal and external) and delivery options;
- staff to prepare a draft "State of the Schools" document for discussion at a future Governance meeting.

1.05 Operational Expectations New Monitoring Report Format

- Deferred to a future meeting.

1.06 Community Relations Operational Expectations Monitoring Report

- Agreed to one-time change in reporting date from November 2010 to February 2011; Board to vote at October 18, 2010, work session to approve exception.

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1.07 Pending Topics (Exhibit A)

- Policy 8110, Five-Year CIP, was discussed and proposed revisions were accepted;
- discussion of Policy 8130, Local School Boundaries, Program Assignments, and School Closings, and whether current language sufficiently clarified that recommendations from FPAC may be considered but may not be reflected in the final decision; staff to consider possible alternative language for the policy.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.