

MINUTES

Fairfax County School Board

Luther Jackson Middle School

Work Session No. 121/Forum on Board Topics

May 26, 2011

1.01 Call to Order and Announcements

Chairman Smith convened the meeting at 5:37 p.m. with the following Board members present:

Elizabeth T. Bradsher (Springfield)
Brad Center (Lee)
Sandra S. Evans (Mason)
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 (Mt. Vernon)
Jane K. Strauss (Dranesville)
Tessie Wilson (Braddock)

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

DISCUSSION

1.02 Forum Topics (Exhibit A)

Student workload stress (Hone)

- Deferred to a future meeting.

Comprehensive study on initiative on poverty (Raney)

- Dr. Raney reviewed a handout of a PowerPoint presentation: "Fairfax County Public Schools Initiative on Poverty—Alleviating the Negative Effects of Poverty on Student Performance";
- objectives of initiative were to investigate current methods being employed by FCPS to address student poverty and identify changes that may be needed in programs, resources, practices, regulations, policies, or laws;
- discussion that scope of initiative could be overwhelming for the school system; poverty in education realm was complex; issue best addressed collaboratively with county;
- consensus that the Chairman and the Superintendent would contact appropriate county officials to pursue a joint proposal.

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Endorsing Save Our Schools March on July 30 (Gibson)

- Discussion on a Board resolution to support the "Save our Schools March and National Call to Action (SOS March)" that was scheduled in Washington, D.C., on July 30, 2011;
- consensus that Mr. Gibson would provide the Board with a draft resolution that endorsed the guiding principles of the SOS March and delineated the principles of the Board and FCPS.

[Clerk's Note: Mr. Gibson subsequently decided not to offer a resolution for the Board's approval.]

FCCPTA and relevant information related to PTA resolutions (Wilson)

- Discussion and consensus on a requirement that all PTA organizations must include information on their membership and the vote count for all resolutions that were sent to the School Board.

Monitoring cameras in high school cafeterias (Bradsher & Center)

- Deferred to a future meeting.

CTE and Academy programs (Storck)

- Deferred to a future meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 6:03 p.m.



Chairman of the Board



Clerk of the Board