

## REPORT BY THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADULT AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION, MAY 27, 2009

Fiscal year 2008-2009 year was a very productive and accomplished year for ACE, with great public recognition, significant milestones, and impressive programmatic accomplishments. The ACE Advisory Committee had its highest level of participation in many years, with a lively and committed group of citizens learning about, interacting with, and advocating on behalf of ACE's lifelong learners.

### Recognitions

Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) was recognized from the outset of this fiscal year for its expertise and excellence in adult education through the appointment of the ACE Director, Dr. Bonita M. Moore, to serve on a number of expert panels advising the Virginia Board of Education; the Virginia Secretary of Education, Dr. Thomas Morris; and the Governor's office on matters related to adult education. Through the testimony of the ACE Director, among others, Secretary Morris made an informed decision to maintain adult education throughout the Commonwealth as a function of the public school systems, and not to move adult education to the Virginia Community College System (as had been seriously discussed).

In conjunction with former FCPS School Board Chairman Gary Jones and other key officials and educators from around the Commonwealth, the ACE Director worked on the Adult Education Advisory Committee to the Virginia Board of Education (BOE) on discussions of key educational issues policy recommendations that were presented to the BOE.

During Summer 2008, the ACE Director served on the Virginia Adult Learning Panel with Dr. Morris, Dr. Robert Leber (Chair of the Virginia Workforce Council), two senators, and Dr. Cheryl King (Study Director for the National Commission on Adult Literacy, which authored the landmark study, *Reach Higher, America*). Dr. Moore was the sole representative of public school adult education programs on the VALP.

Dr. Moore also joined leaders from the Governor's office, the Virginia Workforce Council, and the Virginia Community College System in a panel discussion on the future of adult education and the essential collaborations which the Governor has called for between adult literacy programs, workforce, and higher education – to ensure the economic well-being of the Commonwealth.

In the fall, Governor Kaine chose to hold his Community Cabinet Day in Fairfax County, to pay special tribute to the Race to GED and to recognize the FCPS's ACE world-class adult high school completion programs. Sharing in making congratulatory remarks for ACE's exemplary work was Michael Zeiders, Chair of the Northern Virginia Workforce Investment Board. The Advisory Committee was pleased to hear the quality of our ACE

program recognized, the importance of adult education emphasized, and the commitment to adult education in the Commonwealth verbalized. Besides leaving no child behind, the Governor affirmed, in Virginia “no adult will be left behind.”

In the autumn, ACE’s workplace training program was recognized as a state leader when the Virginia Association for Adult and Continuing Education (VAACE) presented the Virginia Workplace of the Year Award for ACE’s partnership with the Fairfax Water Authority. This partnership was a great example of ACE’s institutional skill in leveraging internal and external resources to advance education, business, and the public good. Through collaborative work by ACE’s apprenticeship and workplace training units, a millwright apprenticeship training program was created for the water authority, thus helping the authority to create effective career ladders for its employees and fill its needs for highly skilled technicians. The Water Authority has been able to demonstrate a direct relationship between this training program and objective measures of quality.

This past winter, Woodson Adult High School (WAHS) was among the 77 high-performing FCPS schools to receive recognition from the Virginia Board of Education for educational excellence. WAHS was in fact the sole FCPS recipient of the Rising Star Award, and one of only two schools in the Commonwealth receiving this distinction. The Rising Star award recognizes schools and divisions that have met all state and federal benchmarks for at least two consecutive years and are making progress toward Virginia Index Performance scores significantly from the previous years. This year was the first time that the Board of Education made this award.

This spring, the ACE Director was nominated for the Alumnus of the Year Award by the College of Education and Human Development at George Mason University. This nomination was in recognition of the important work being accomplished in FCPS’s large and renowned adult education program.

The quality work of ACE’s premier marketing team was recognized multiple times throughout the year by the LEarning Resources Network (LERN), an international organization for the community education profession. On its webpage and in its publications, LERN has repeatedly pointed to ACE publications and web pages as examples of best practices in the field of community education marketing.

In ACE’s enrichment programs, ACE teachers continue to garner public acclaim for the quality of their work. The glossy periodical, *Élan* (“celebrating the good life in Northern Virginia”), featured ACE art teacher Penny McGrath, with examples of her magnificent art works on the covers of both the Fairfax County and Loudoun County versions. Art teacher Marie Shaughnessy was awarded the prestigious Windsor Newton Award from the Sumi-E Society for her work that was exhibited at the Strathmore Arts Center in Rockville, Maryland. And David William, a long-time ACE art student, was tapped to mount a series of one-man shows in various corporate locations in the area. David was one of many ACE art students whose work has been exhibited in the ACE Art Gallery on the lower level of the Fairfax County Government Center.

## Milestones

September 2008 marked the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Woodson Adult High School (WAHS). WAHS is unique in FCPS in that it is the only diploma-granting high school whose mission is to serve adults and which falls under the state regulations governing adult high schools.

On September 4, the Fairfax County School Board delivered a resolution to rename the adult education center at Edsall Park as the *Plum Center for Lifelong Learning*. On hand to receive this honor was Delegate Kenneth R. Plum, longtime Director of ACE and a continuing voice in the Virginia legislature for quality lifelong education, from early childhood through adulthood.

In the spring, the renovation of Plum Center was completed, and the building opened its doors to the community for the first public classes at this location. Community members joined FCPS staff members who have been benefiting from technology classes offered at Plum Center since October 2008, through a partnership between ACE and the FCPS Department of Information Technology (DIT).

## Accomplishments

Enrollments in ACE classes continue to be strong, despite the nation's suffering the worst economy in more than 30 years. LERN publishes dismaying statistics about "...*the depth of the recession and the worst registration numbers ever for lifelong learning programs...*" At ACE, enrollments dipped somewhat this year, though not significantly. In fact, revenue in the winter term was the strongest that it has been for this period in the past three years.

In July, FCPS earned the distinction of having the highest GED score in the Commonwealth in 2008. The Commonwealth GED specialist travelled from Richmond to bestow public recognition on ACE's star performer. Note: the GED is no easy test. It is normed at a 60% pass rate for Virginia's high school graduates – meaning that 40% of the Commonwealth's high school graduates could not pass this 8-hour exam.

In July, ACE produced another set of graduates from the FCPS Transportation Academy. An initiative of Assistant Superintendent Dean Tistadt, this innovative staff development program helps aspiring FCPS school bus drivers and supervisory personnel to work through life-changing career decision-making experiences, while developing administrative and leadership skills. ACE has been providing this academy to Transportation Services for many years, through its workplace training program.

For many years, FCPS/ACE has provided the state conference for adult ESOL educators for the Virginia Department of Education through a grant or contractual agreement. In lean times, the state discontinued the conference due to funding issues, but revived the conference this past year and once again looked to ACE to provide the service. This has been a consistently well-received and highly rated professional development experience for the hundreds of teachers who look to ACE for best practices and a stimulating learning experience. This was the first time that conference-goers have been able to register online through ACE's On-Course system.

Again, this year, WAHS made AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress), in accordance with NCLB (*No Child Left Behind* legislation) – for the third year in a row. This was a substantial accomplishment, given the unique challenges of working with the adult high school population.

Even during this time of declining county resources, ACE's contract with the Fairfax County Department of Family Services (DFS) was renewed, to provide educational services for DFS families transitioning to work. The Families to Work project has been a productive partnership for many years, in which ACE has provided instruction to a population considered hardest-to-serve among the immigrant families in Fairfax County. The program provides a great blend of English language skills, cultural and survival skills, and employability training. In addition, the county renewed its contract with ACE to continue the long-standing program in *Workplace Essential Skills* that ACE has been providing, as an important solution for other groups of "hardest to serve" individuals who need education, life skills, workplace savvy, and support services in order to move from poverty to productivity.

The third iteration of the ACE Quality Team (AQT) conducted a study of ACE's training and professional development system. This cross-functional employee group has been highly successful in involving the entire organization in reviewing ACE processes in an all-hands quest for continuous quality improvement.

At Floris United Methodist Church, eighteen foreign-born learners proudly graduated from the bus driver training program that is the product of an ongoing partnership between the FCPS Department of Facilities & Transportation, Faith Ministries, the Falls Church SkillSource Center, and ACE. Under the auspices of the English in the Workplace program, participants learn targeted English language skills, while being trained by Transportation Services to receive their Commercial Driver's License. The church and SkillSource recruit and screen participants for this program, and all of the players agree that the strength of this partnership has provided great solutions for the school system, families, and individuals. This was the third such graduation for this successful program – and it is hoped that the partnership will be able to sustain it as an ongoing, institutionalized program.

## New Initiatives

ACE developed a partnership this year with Borders Bookstore, in a joint quest to encourage readers to write and writers to read. *An Evening with Writers*, held in early November, featured ten local writers – students in a few of ACE’s creative writing classes – who “opened their travel bags” to “share their unique yet universal journeys of time and place, heart and soul: starting life over in a new land, saying goodbye to childhood fantasies, confronting death far from home.”. . They read their inspiring stories to an appreciative audience that numbered close to 80. This event was free and open to the public, giving attendees a taste of ACE quality while encouraging them to engage in this dynamic community of thinkers and learners.

This year, ACE began a new initiative to explore the possibility of creating a Futures Institute for Fairfax County. A Futuring Core Team formed to do research and evaluate the potential for applying futures tools for enhancing the effectiveness of ACE’s management and programming functions, as well as for offering instruction in the use of cutting-edge forecasting tools to the public. The Anne Arundel Community College offers a foundation of expertise which ACE has been tapping into for this enterprise.

To help fill the gap in summer enrichment opportunities for FCPS children, ACE has reintroduced the elementary enrichment programs – but this time as part of its self-supporting program lineup. ACE introduced a very popular class in robotics for its younger learners this past winter. These new enrichment classes are being administered in a model similar to that which has been successfully used by the FLEX program over the years, in which the school PTAs works in partnership with ACE to ensure that our programming meets the needs and preferences of each local school community, including parent groups.

In the summer term, ACE piloted a new initiative to offer a 25% tuition discount to FCPS employees. The first two groups participating in the pilot were Chantilly and Marshall high schools, two of ACE’s largest host sites. This discount is ACE’s way of thanking school staff for the use of their building and their classrooms, and encouraging them to avail themselves of the opportunity to take these classes, often right onsite where they work. The 25% discount will allow ACE to break even while increasing class size and accessibility, and enhancing the bonds of partnership with host groups.

Throughout this challenging year, ACE specialists rallied to develop new and improved programming, to recruit new and highly expert instructional staff, and to grow new and enduring partnerships. With the opening of the Plum Center for Lifelong Learning come enhanced opportunities to provide classes in the daytime, evening, and weekends, and to offer more classes requiring specialized classroom spaces such as the medical-dental lab and the cooking-sewing lab. Among the many innovations in course programming this year are:

- OnMusic. Online classes in jazz and rock music appreciation;
- *Beginning Scene Study*. A new class emerging from ACE’s partnership with The Theatre Lab,

- *Playworking*. A playwriting class presented by the founder/director of The Play's The Thing Theatre Company;
- Culinary classes en espanol. These classes are taught by Jessica Mee, Cordon Bleu graduate in Peru;
- *Personal Trainer Certification*. This program is presented in partnership with the Aerobics and Fitness Association of America;
- *ACT Test Preparation*. A great new line of test prep offerings to help the schools and school-age students;
- *French Conversation for Immersion Program Students*. This class joins ACE's growing menu of classes to help immersion program students in the elementary schools to build their conversation skills:
- And for their parents, new offerings for parents of French and Spanish immersion program students;
- *New Trades & Industry Spanish/English dual-language classes*. These classes will include HVAC, electrical, and refrigeration subjects.
- *Kids' Campus*. Summer camps to keep children occupied and engaged in fun and learning all day during summer 2009.
- *Outdoor Grilling*. A new class for the backyard enthusiast.
- *Cooking with Peter Chang*. For those who love to lunch at Duck Chang's Restaurant – an Annandale institution for more than 25 years – the master chef himself, Peter Chang, will be serving up culinary secrets; and
- Broadcast Production. A new menu of classes provided in partnership with Fairfax Public Access Television.

### **Community Connections and Partnerships**

In ACE's quest to strengthen the continuum of educational services serving all learners here in Fairfax County, we have seen some recent promising advances.

Northern Virginia Community College (NVCC) has expressed and strengthened its institutional resolve to work more closely with ACE (and with other providers of educational services). To that end, one of NVCC's deans has been meeting with AHSC staff to work out the details for smoothing the way from adult high school completion to acceptance and full participation in NVCC's credit program. The mutual desire is that all graduates of ACE programs leave our programs fully ready to succeed in college, without the need for additional developmental work. ACE staff is also hopeful that the assessments that they provide will meet NVCC's admissions policy needs, without the requirement for additional and duplicative testing of our busy adult learners. NVCC counselors are now visiting ACE on a regular (weekly) basis, to meet with students and assist with the transition from our programs to theirs. The ACE ESOL staff has likewise been working with NVCC staff to ensure a smooth transition from ACE classes to the community college, for those learners for whom this is an appropriate path.

There has been some speculation about the respective roles of the community college and the public schools in delivering adult and community education. As mentioned

earlier in this report, the Virginia Secretary of Education has stated explicitly that adult education services will not be moved to the community college system. Locally, Dr. Robert Templin, President of NVCC, has met with the ACE Director, Dr. Moore, to clarify his concerns: he has a clearly defined sense of NVCC's niche, and does not want to serve those populations who would be more appropriately served by ACE. During the *Issues Fairfax* forum jointly sponsored by the Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce, the Northern Virginia Workforce Investment Board (NVWIB), and Fairfax County Public Schools, Dr. Templin plainly stated that NVCC is routinely turning away 8,000 students, because of capacity limitations.

Northern Virginia Literacy Council and Hogar Hispano (of Catholic Charities) have been meeting with ACE ESOL staff to identify gaps in services, redundancies, and opportunities for pooling resources to strengthen the adult ESOL delivery system. Together, these community based organizations and FCPS (ACE) are creating an integrated and strong educational service delivery system.

The Regional Literacy Coordinating Committee (RLCC), under ACE's leadership, is taking the region's adult literacy providers and its key stakeholders to the next level, in terms of *collaboration*, *communication*, and providing a *continuum of service* (three of the "Four C's," coined by the ACE Director, Dr. Moore, and publicly quoted by State Secretary of Education Tom Morris).

ACE has been well represented at a variety of internal (FCPS) and external functions this year, building and nurturing relationships and providing outreach and community service in these venues:

- Area 1 Transportation In-Service at South County Secondary School;
- Special Education Transportation In-Service at West Springfield High School;
- "Stallion Stampede" open house at South County Secondary School;
- Greensprings Employee Fair at Hunter's Crossing, Greensprings Village;
- Goodwin House *Employee Benefits Fair*;
- Latino Partnership for Success;
- FCPS K-12 ESOL Parent Meetings;
- NVWIB Mega Job Fair and Entrepreneurship Expo;
- Hispanic Parents Outreach Night at Chantilly High School;
- School to Career Fair at Robert E. Lee High School; and
- An Alternative Program for graduating seniors who haven't formulated a post-high school plan, at Chantilly High School.

This year, ACE, in partnership with Crestwood Elementary School, provided adult mentors to Crestwood's elementary students.

## **ACE Students Speak**

The following quotes from students demonstrate the importance of ACE to them and how their ACE experience has affected their lives.

*"May I take this opportunity to tell you how much I enjoy your adult education classes. You have taught me Spanish and now you're teaching me French. The teachers are excellent. The classes are cheap. The locations are convenient. This taxpayer thanks you very much."*

-Adult foreign language learner

*"Now I can talk to the clerk in the supermarket, and to the parents of my children's friends..."*

- Adult ESOL student

## **Conclusions and Recommendations of the ACE Advisory Committee**

In concluding this report, the Committee wants to acknowledge, with much regret, that the Director of ACE, Dr. Bonnie Moore, has announced that she will retire at the end of FY 2009. The foregoing narrative is illustrative of her accomplishments as the director of ACE programs. Her loyalty to ACE programs and her belief in ACE's mission has been deeply felt and is revealed in the vitality and success of its programs. We will miss her dedication.

### **School Board Relationship**

The School Board charge to the ACE Advisory Committee this year is as follows:

*Define ACE's role and explore its course offerings and consumer demand as they relate to the student achievement goals.*

This narrative reflects our perspective on how ACE has endeavored to follow the path directed by the School Board. ACE has continued its support of the student achievement goals for the K-12 programs, as was reported to the School Board in May 2008. The report also shows how ACE operated consistent with another request by the School Board that we assure that the ACE programs are responsive to the public. The report shows how ACE has developed programs working with local business groups, charitable organizations, and public entities.

The ACE Advisory Committee has benefitted greatly, as noted in the report, from the fact that it reached its full strength this year when each School Board member finally appointed someone from his or her districts. This has helped to energize the Committee and enliven the participation of its members.

The Committee greatly appreciates the participation by its School Board liaison, Dr. James Raney. He has given the Committee a valuable connection to the School Board and useful insights during discussion sessions.

### **Funding**

The Committee acknowledges that the Superintendent has requested an additional \$900,000 for the adult ESOL program and \$100,000 for the Woodson Adult High School program in the FY2010 budget. This will help sustain the adult ESOL program and assure continued Federal and Commonwealth grant support and help eliminate an applicant backlog in the Adult High School program.

### **Restructuring of ACE**

The Committee has viewed with great concern the Superintendent's revised organization for administering ACE programs. ACE programs will no longer be administered by a single entity. Instead, the programs and supporting administrative functions will be dispersed among other elements of a modified FCPS organization. This will change the business pattern that has existed for several decades. With this new structure, the Committee will no longer deal with programs implemented and managed by a single organization headed by one director.

The Committee was assured, during a briefing on the new ACE structure from FCPS staff, that the programs will continue to function essentially as they do now. According to the staff, the users of the program (i.e., the students) are not likely to notice a difference in the way they receive their instruction. The Committee remains skeptical that such will be the case.

### **Recommendations**

The Committee must await the full implementation of the reorganization to see how it can continue functioning as an advisory committee to the School Board. For the Committee to do so, it offers the recommendations below.

1. The Committee can function only if it has access to the information essential to its operation as an advisory body. It must be able to define and obtain the information it believes it requires. This includes, but is not limited to, financial information and enrollment data.
2. The Committee must have access to the staff that carries out ACE programs. Until now, the ACE Director or her deputy has participated as non-voting members at Committee meetings. In addition, the Committee was able to meet with ACE staff to obtain information and learn of ACE's current activities. In the absence of a Director in the new organization, the Committee recommends that the appropriate ACE staff be able to attend its regular meetings and continue to provide the administrative staff support it has received for many years.

|                                              | <b>CY 08 Enrollments</b>                                      |  |                              |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|--|------------------------------|
|                                              |                                                               |  | <b>Enrollment / Services</b> |
| <b>Adult High School Completion Programs</b> |                                                               |  |                              |
|                                              | Woodson Adult High School/Writing Lab/Remediation             |  | 3,118                        |
|                                              | National External Diploma Program (NEDP)                      |  | 172                          |
|                                              | Continuing Enrollment NEDP                                    |  | 37                           |
|                                              | NEDP Study Groups                                             |  | 64                           |
|                                              | Adult Skill Development & Learning Centers                    |  | 910                          |
|                                              | GED and Pre-GED Exams                                         |  | 1,538                        |
|                                              | Corrections & Institutions (Adult Detention Center)           |  | 356                          |
|                                              | Computers & Tutors Lab                                        |  | 4,997                        |
|                                              | Volunteer Learning Program                                    |  | 1,037                        |
|                                              | Information & Placement Workshops                             |  | 369                          |
|                                              |                                                               |  | <b>12,598</b>                |
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| <b>Community Education</b>                   |                                                               |  |                              |
|                                              | Apprenticeship (includes Credit-by-Exam)                      |  | 1,227                        |
|                                              | Trade & Industry/Cosmetology                                  |  | 3,123                        |
|                                              | Business Education                                            |  | 3,906                        |
|                                              | Technology Training                                           |  | 2,023                        |
|                                              | Health & Medical                                              |  | 1,211                        |
|                                              | Distance Learning                                             |  | 241                          |
|                                              | Professional Development                                      |  | 193                          |
|                                              | Personal Growth, House & Home (Home and Personal Improvement) |  | 2,598                        |
|                                              | Art Education                                                 |  | 2,015                        |
|                                              | Foreign/Culture                                               |  | 127                          |
|                                              | Foreign and Sign Language                                     |  | 3,663                        |
|                                              | Foreign Language Experience Program                           |  | 2,715                        |
|                                              | Elementary Enrichment                                         |  | n/a                          |
|                                              | Secondary Enrichment                                          |  | 1,409                        |
|                                              | TJ Admission Test Preparation                                 |  | 889                          |
|                                              | Workplace Training (Group Contracts)                          |  | 1,361                        |
|                                              | Education for Independence                                    |  | 304                          |
|                                              | Race to GED                                                   |  | 57                           |
|                                              |                                                               |  | <b>27,062</b>                |

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| <b>English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)</b>                            |                                                                  |                              |               |
|                                                                                  | ESOL Traditional Classes                                         |                              | 7,706         |
|                                                                                  | ESOL Family Literacy                                             |                              | 484           |
|                                                                                  | English in the Workplace (Contracts)                             |                              | 210           |
|                                                                                  | ESOL Expansion and Improvement Project (English Literacy/Civics) |                              | 354           |
|                                                                                  | ESOL VAILL                                                       |                              | 284           |
|                                                                                  | Language Assessment Services (only)                              |                              | 18            |
|                                                                                  |                                                                  |                              | <b>9,056</b>  |
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| <b>Driver Education</b>                                                          |                                                                  |                              |               |
|                                                                                  | Behind-the-Wheel (Year Round)                                    |                              | 3,169         |
|                                                                                  |                                                                  |                              | <b>3,169</b>  |
|                                                                                  |                                                                  | <b>Total ACE Enrollments</b> | <b>51,885</b> |
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| <b>Pre K-12 Support (Summer School, Extended Day, and School-Age Enrichment)</b> |                                                                  |                              |               |
|                                                                                  | Summer School (Summer 2006, Summer 2007, Summer 2008)            |                              | 13,436        |
|                                                                                  | Summer Camps & Institutes                                        |                              | 1,350         |
|                                                                                  | Extended Day Remediation                                         |                              | 3,102         |
|                                                                                  |                                                                  |                              | <b>17,888</b> |
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## Adult & Community Education Advisory Committee Meeting Dates/Special Events FY 09

| MEETING DATES                                                                                                    | SPECIAL EVENTS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| July – no meeting                                                                                                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tue., July 29 – ESOL Summer Graduation, Willston Multicultural Center, 9 a.m.</li> <li>• July – ESOL Summer Graduation, Willston Center, 7:15 p.m.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| August – no meeting                                                                                              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tue., August 12 – Adult H.S. Completion Programs Graduation, Oakton HS, 7:30 p.m. (assemble at 7:00 p.m.)</li> <li>• Fri., August 15 – Career Development Programs Graduation, Fairfax County Government Center, 7:30 p.m.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| September 17:<br>Election of Officers<br>Health & Medical Programs                                               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thu., September 4 – School Board Resolution naming the new adult education center at Edsall Park, <i>The Plum Center for Lifelong Learning</i>, Luther Jackson MS, Board Auditorium, 8:00 p.m.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| October 15:<br>Apprenticeship and Trade &<br>Industry Programs                                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tue., October 14 – Governor’s Proclamation of GED Week in Virginia, Woodson HS, 9:15-10:30 a.m.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| November 19:<br>Adult H.S. Completion<br>FCPS Strategic Goal for<br>Adult Education                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| December 17:<br>Adult ESOL Program<br>Budget Update<br>Proposed Change to<br>Advisory Committee Regs             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thu., December 4 – WAHS Harvest of Cultures, Woodson HS, Cafeteria, 6:30-8:30 p.m.</li> <li>• Wed., December 10 – ESOL Winter Graduation, Multipurpose Room (lower level), Willston Center, 7:15 p.m.</li> <li>• Thu., December 11 – ESOL Winter Graduation, Willston Center, 9:30 a.m.</li> <li>• Thu., December 11 – ESOL Graduation, Pimmit Hills Center, 9:30 a.m.</li> <li>• Mon., December 15 – ESOL Graduation, Annandale HS, 7:15 p.m.</li> <li>• Thu., Dec. 18 – ESOL Graduation, Chantilly HS, 7:15 p.m.</li> </ul> |
| January 28:<br>Preliminary Responses to<br>School Board Charge<br>Proposed Strategic Goal for<br>Adult Education |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| February 18:<br>Meet prior to Graduation<br>(5:30-7:00 p.m.), Annandale<br>HS; Reorganization                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wed., February 18 – Adult HS Completion Graduation, Annandale HS, 7:30 p.m.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| March 18:<br>Education for<br>Independence; discussion<br>of Annual Report                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| April 15:<br>ISD Reorganization;<br>Guests: Directors Diane<br>Pruner<br>and Karin Williams                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thu., April 23 – ESOL End of Term Celebrations, Bryant Center, 9:00 a.m.</li> <li>• Thu., April 23 – Willston Center, Chantilly HS, 7:15 p.m.</li> <li>• Fri., April 24 – ESOL celebrations, Willston Center, Pimmit Hills Center, 9:00 a.m.</li> <li>• Wed., April 29 – ESOL celebration, Centreville Center, 7:15 p.m.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| May 20:<br>Workplace Training;<br>Final Preparation for Report<br>Presentation                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thu., <b>May 21</b> – School Board Resolution, <i>National Adult and Continuing Education Week</i>, Luther Jackson MS, School Board Auditorium, 7:00 p.m.</li> <li>• Wed., May 27 – <b>Advisory Committee Report to the School Board</b>, Gatehouse Admin. Center, room 1600, 7:00 p.m.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

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| <p>June 17:<br/>Foreign Languages &amp;<br/>Cultures; Debriefing from<br/>Annual Report Presentation</p> |  |
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**2008-2010**  
*May 6, 2009*

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| <b>Cook, John</b><br>(Braddock)                                               |              | <b>M/C</b>        | <b>X</b>          | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | <b>X</b>          | <b>X</b>          | —                 | —                 | —                 | —                 |
| <b>Ferris, Emma</b><br>(Student)                                              |              |                   | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | <b>X</b>          | ✓                 |                   |                   |
| <b>Franck, Patricia</b><br>(Sully) 11/08                                      |              |                   | —                 | —                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | <b>X</b>          | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 |                   |                   |
| <b>Haxhiu, Indrit</b><br>(Springfield)                                        |              |                   | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 |                   |                   |
| <b>Lee, Kyung</b><br>(At-Large – Moon)                                        |              |                   | ✓                 | <b>X</b>          | <b>X</b>          | <b>X</b>          | <b>X</b>          | <b>X</b>          | <b>X</b>          | <b>X</b>          |                   |                   |
| <b>Mangano, Maria “Cetti”</b><br>(Hunter Mill) 11/08                          |              |                   | —                 | —                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | <b>X</b>          | <b>X</b>          | <b>X</b>          | ✓                 |                   |                   |
| <b>McBride, Kathleen</b><br>(Mason)                                           |              |                   | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | <b>X</b>          | ✓                 |                   |                   |
| <b>McDonald, Kathleen</b><br>(Lee)                                            |              |                   | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | <b>X</b>          | <b>X</b>          | <b>X</b>          | <b>X</b>          | ✓                 |                   |                   |
| <b>Morrow, Ramona</b><br>(At-Large – Raney)                                   |              |                   | ✓                 | ✓                 | <b>X</b>          | <b>X</b>          | ✓                 | <b>X</b>          | <b>X</b>          | ✓                 |                   |                   |
| <b>Passman, Lois</b><br>(Mt. Vernon)                                          |              |                   | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | <b>X</b>          | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 |                   |                   |
| <b>Persil, Dr. Herbert</b><br>(At-Large- Hone)                                |              |                   | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 |                   |                   |
| <b>Raney, Dr. James* (Sch. Bd.)</b>                                           |              |                   | —                 | —                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | <b>X</b>          | <b>X</b>          | <b>X</b>          | ✓                 |                   |                   |
| <b>Shelp, Page</b><br>(Dranesville)                                           |              |                   | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 | <b>X</b>          | ✓                 | ✓                 | ✓                 |                   |                   |
| <b>Vacant</b><br>(Providence)                                                 |              |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |

\* No regular meeting

**X = did not attend****N = Not yet appointed****M/C = Meeting Canceled****✓ - attended**

