

Minutes

Advanced Academic Programs Advisory Committee (AAPAC)

November 14, 2016

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Committee Members in Attendance:

Elizabeth English, Wendy Kaynor, Faye Wagoner, Chao Wei, Annmarie Swope, Janet Curtis, Lisa Bertin, Jeff Litz, Arlene Randall, Terri Radziewski, LaTisha Elcock, Cecilia Vanderhye, Elizabeth Rodriguez and Carol Horn

AAP Staff in Attendance:

Lori Bedsole, Kirsten Maloney and Chris Powell

The meeting commenced at 10:38 a.m.

Welcome and Introductions

AnnMarie opened our AAPAC meeting and welcomed new members

- Overview of next two months – provide research and data in response to the school board charge
- Today's presentation will be an overview of the Advanced Academic Continuum of Services at the elementary level and the role of the Advanced Academic Resource Teacher (AART). December will include a panel of principals and advanced academic resource teachers from several elementary schools

Carol shared updates:

Response to the AAPAC 2015-2016 Report- Recommendations and actions incorporated into our work:

- Carol shared a Young Scholars example of how business partners are supporting Young Scholars – a company that visited the Young Scholars summer school classes last summer is setting up a tennis camp for Luther Jackson MS students – they will supply racquets, tennis balls, and instructors.
- IB Middle Years Program authorization visit scheduled for November 16-18 for Key and Lee
- Online and virtual courses have been and are currently being developed for AP Courses
- Communication of opportunities and college fair

Other topics and updates:

1. The FCPS website is being updated – it's a work in progress and the web curator is working directly working with our office to ensure that all important information is posted.
2. AAP office is taking a targeted approach in one pyramid to actions and practices that increase access to rigor and help with closing the achievement gap.
3. AAP office staff is piloting a school-based screening app to help with screening in the spring
4. Performance-based assessments within the AAP Curriculum are being shared as part of a project to increase performance-based assessments county-wide.
5. Work is being done to connect project based learning and AAP curriculum by creating driving questions that connect to the AAP curriculum framework.
6. Five schools are creating a plan for Local Level IV services beginning in fall 2017: Sleepy Hollow; Terraset; Graham Road; Hollin Meadows, and Woodburn.
7. Carol will send a soft-copy to everyone of the response to last year's report to the School Board.

Kirsten Maloney – Presented on “The Role of the AART”

- Response to the School Board was well received in the Spring.
- Local plan for the Gifted was shared by Carol and AnnMarie – please review prior to the December 5th meeting.
- Approval of Minutes

Move to adjourn – 11:51 a.m.