

Advisory Committee for Students with Disabilities

Agenda December 8, 2021

7:05 p.m.	Call to Order	Harry Henderson, Chair
7:08 p.m.	Approval of Minutes Adoption of Agenda	Harry Henderson, Chair
7:10 p.m.	Public Comment	Lauren Mccaughey, Corresponding Secretary
7:15 p.m.	Attendance Report	Ally Baldassari, Recording Secretary
7:20 p.m.	School Board Liaison Update	Laura Jane Cohen, Springfield District
7:25 p.m.	Parent Resource Center News	Mary Beth Harrison-Cunningham, Manager of PRC
7:30 p.m.	Featured Guest	Dr. Sloan Presidio, Chief Academic Officer, FCPS
7:50 p.m.	Department of Special Services (DSS) Updates	Dr. Michelle Boyd, Assistant Superintendent, DSS Mike Bloom, Director, Special Education Instruction Dawn Schaefer, Acting Director, Procedural Support Deb Scott, Director, Intervention and Prevention
	Presentation: Partnering to Improve Visual Accessibility	Nicole Warwick, Manager, Hearing & Vision Services Dr. Amy Hunter, Coordinator, K-12 Mathematics Kate Adams, Supervisor, Hearing & Vision Services
		<i>Committee Members, please limit to one question per member given our time constraints.</i>
8:05 p.m.	Old Business & New Business	Harry Henderson, Chair
	Motion from the Executive Committee: <i>Shall the ACSD approve the draft revisions to our Bylaws and send the ACSD Bylaws back to the School Board Governance Committee for Approval?</i>	
	Motion: <i>"I move that the Chair, on behalf of the ACSD, provide Superintendent Brabrand an interim report on the Equitable Access to Literacy (EAL) Plan for transmission to the School Board. The report shall inform the Board of the need to ensure that the EAL Plan addresses students accessing the adapted curriculum and others with low-incidence disabilities such as, but not limited to: deaf/hard of hearing, blind/low vision, Enhanced Autism program participants, Intellectual Disability program participants, and augmentative and alternative communication (AAC) users."</i>	

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8:20 p.m.	Special Education Conference Update	Jennifer Benecke, ACSD member representative
8:25 p.m.	Subcommittee Spotlight	Policy and Regulations Subcommittee
8:30 p.m.	Member Time	Harry Henderson, Chair
9:00 p.m.	Meeting Adjourned	Harry Henderson, Chair

The functions of the local advisory committee shall be as follows (8VAC20-81-230(D)):

- **Advise** the local school division of needs in the education of children with disabilities;
- **Participate** in the development of priorities and strategies for meeting the identified needs of children with disabilities;
- **Submit** periodic reports and recommendations regarding the education of children with disabilities to the division superintendent for transmission to the local school board;
- **Assist** the local school division in interpreting plans to the community for meeting the special needs of children with disabilities for educational services;
- **Review** the policies and procedures for the provision of special education and related services prior to submission to the local school board; and
- **Participate** in the review of the local school division's annual plan, as outlined in subdivision B 2 of this section.

2021-22 Committee Charge from the School Board

- **Examine current FCPS practices regarding school-based accountability and fidelity related to the implementation of best practices on the identification, evaluation, eligibility, and instruction of students with disabilities.**
- **Make recommendations designed to improve divisionwide consistency related to the fidelity of the implementation of special education procedures and practices.**
- **Make recommendations designed to ensure equitable use of Department of Special Services (DSS) resources for all students with disabilities - regardless of school, socioeconomic status, race, ethnicity, or gender.**

Our next ACSD Meeting is Wednesday, January 12, 2022.

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