

**Fairfax County Advisory Committee for Students with Disabilities (ACSD)
Meeting Minutes
February 13, 2019**

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m.

Members Present

Member Name		Member Name		Member Name	
Darcy Acquavella (City of Fairfax School Board)	P	Jeanne Frost (Fairfax Co. Health Dept.)	P	Connie Lorentzen** (Mount Vernon District)	P
Laura Allen (Region 5)	P	Meghan Gray (Lee District)	P	Linda Mason (Higher Education)	P
Joe Alston (Member-at-Large Moon)	P	Rachna Heizer (Member-at-Large Keys-Gamarra)	E	Darcy Mills (Student Rep)	--
Michael Beattie (Disability Services Bd.)	P	Harry Henderson (Mason District)	E	Phara Rodrigue (Region 3)	P
Cheri Belkowitz* (Springfield District)	P	Elizabeth John (Dranesville District)	E	Joanne Walton (Region 4)	P
Jessica Bradley Fairfax County Federation of Citizens)	--	Melissa Johnson (Faculty)	P	Ann-Marie Ward (FCCPTA)	P
Michelle Cades (Special Education PTA)	P	Paul Keiser (Region 1)	P	Cathy White (Transition Services)	--
Brandon Cassady (Hunter Mill District)	P	Andrienne Konstas (League of Women Voters)	--	Jane Wilson (Braddock District)	E
Sandi Dallhoff *** (Neigh. & Comm. Services)	P	Toby Latham*** (Assistive Technology)	P	Cindy Woodcock (Preschool)	P
Susan Edgerton (POAC)	P	Erin Lauer (Fairfax/Falls Church CSB)	P	Niki Zimmerman (Region 2)	P
Judy Farabaugh (Member-at-Large McElveen)	E				

***Committee Chair(s) **Vice-Chair *** Committee Secretary**

P = Present

E = Excused Absence

R = Resigned

FCPS Staff Present

- Teresa Johnson, Department of Special Services
- Irene Meier, Office of Special Education Instruction
- Mary Beth Harrison-Cunningham, Parent Resource Center
- Mike Bloom, Coordinator PreK-12 Special Education Instruction Services
- Ann Long, Coordinator Career and Transition Services

FCPS School Board Member: Elizabeth Schultz (not present).

Agenda & Minutes

- Connie Lorentzen presented minutes. Minutes were approved, as submitted, by unanimous vote.
- Cheri Belkowitz moved to add Mike Bloom discussion of Special Education Conference to the agenda. Motion seconded by Michael Beattie. Motion approved. Agenda adopted, as amended, by unanimous vote.

Public Comment

- No public comment offered.

Parent Resource Center Update: Transition university registration opened (PEATC collaboration). Tech series registration open. Presentation regarding school refusal added to YouTube. Upcoming presentation will include representative from National Institutes of Health. VDOE awarded PRC \$15,000 grant. Funding will enhance summer and fall programming, including mind in the making parent-child program; brown bag series; and book club series.

Special Education Update

- Teresa Johnson recently viewed 2e handbook and website.
- Irene Meier—Sara Cooner nominated for outstanding support staff award. Possibility of presentation regarding special education credit discussed for future meeting.

New Business

- Mike Bloom: This year's special education conference will highlight inclusive programs and practices through "inclusion hall". Volunteers solicited for this event.
- Ann Long, coordinator for career transition services, presented information regarding career assessments.

Announcements

- First Class Award now has an online application. Link available on the ACSD website and will be added to the PRC and DSS website.
- Timeline for subcommittee reports (Connie Lorentzen).
- Sandi Dallhoff provided flyers for therapeutic recreation staff opportunities.
- I'm Determined Summit applications now available online. Event in June.
- Virginia Board of Education is accepting applications for Partners in Policy Making

Subcommittee Breakouts

- Committee members participated in subcommittee break-out sessions.

Adjournment: 9:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Toby Latham