

**Fairfax County Advisory Committee for Students with Disabilities (ACSD)
Meeting Minutes
May 9, 2018**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Members Present:

Member Name		Member Name		Member Name	
		Adrienne Konstas			
Diane Allen	P	Toby Latham	P		
Michael Beattie	P				
Cheri Belkowitz**	P	Connie Lorentzen	E		
Brandon Cassady	P	Katie Malesky	E		
Theresa Simonds Casselman	P	Linda Mason	E		
Shreya Chappidi	P	Jessica Mayo			
Sandi Dallhoff	P	Michael Montante	P		
Susan Edgerton	P	Suzanne Raber	P		
Lisa Anne Fagan	R	Jennifer Vladyka	R		
Judy Farabaugh	P	Jane Wilson	P		
Meghan Gray	P	Cindy Woodock	P		
Rachna Heizer	P	Jenn Wright			
Harry Henderson					
Melissa Johnson	P				
Sajjad Khan**	P				

- **Committee Chairs** ****Vice-Chair** ***** Committee Secretary** **P = Present** **E = Excused**
R = Resigned

FCPS Staff Present:, Irene Meier, Teresa Johnson, Jane Strong, Mary Beth Harrison Cunningham

FCPS School Board Member: Pat Hynes (not present)

Board Member Liaison Report: None

Guests:

Minutes Judy Farabaugh made a motion to approve the May Agenda, Meghan Gray 2nd the motion. May agenda was approved, MSPU. Judy Farabaugh made a motion to approve the April minutes and Toby Latham 2nd the motion. April minutes were approved, MSPU.

Public Comment:

- Mr. & Mrs. Seidad – spoke about their High School son with physical and metabolic disabilities. Requested more attention towards accommodations.
- Jennifer Lorenz – Thanked the ACSD, 9-year-old with ADHD, anxiety, Tourette’s. Wants teacher training specific for incoming students with disabilities with more flexibility with suspension policy. Suggested more advertisement of ACSD
- Amanda Campbell – inclusion at Extended School Year (ESY). Publish dates sooner than 4/12 to help parents plan for summer. Highlight camps and activities for special education students.

Special Education Update:

- Special Education Conference – Congrats on conference 2018! Thanks for efforts, volunteers, and presentations. Thanks to ACSD table volunteers. Question came up about ability to email ACSD. Teresa Johnson will investigate this. Suggestion was made to explore having a 2-day conference.

Parent Resource Center Update:

- There is some interest in evening workshops
- Sib Shop started last week, kids really enjoyed it!

New Business:

- Feedback was received about the need for parking instructions; public comment instructions; list of ACSD members; process for public comment via email; shuttle for conference for those with mobility issues;
- Nominating committee was established: Toby Latham Judy Farabaugh, Meghan Gray and Brandon Cassady

Discussion of Draft Subcommittee Reports

- The report was read by ACSD members in advance of the meeting
- ACSD report was reviewed by committee for revision and approval

Subcommittee Work:

- **4 subcommittees and current membership:**
 - **Follow-up Committee** – Judy Farabaugh, Sajjad Khan, Cheri Belkowitz
 - **Unmet needs Committee** – Michael Montante, Toby Latham (chair), Meghan Gray, Brandon Cassady
 - **Prek-6 Inclusion Charge Committee** – Cindy Woodcock (chair), Melissa Johnson, Meghan Gray, Toby Latham, Lisa Fagan, Harry Henderson
 - **Secondary Inclusion Charge Subcommittee** – Rachna Heizer (co-chair), Connie Lorentzen (co-chair), Jane Wilson, Susan Edgerton, Diane Allen, Linda Mason, Brandon Cassady, Sandi Dallhoff; Jennifer Vladyka, Jessica Mayo, Shreya Chappidi, Michael Beattie, Theresa Simonds Casselman
 - **Budget sub-committee** – Connie Lorentzen (chair), Melissa Johnson, Michael Montante

2017-2018 School Board Charge: The committee should examine practices throughout the school division related to providing services at the building level for students with disabilities in grades preK-12 for the purposes of maximizing inclusion in educating students with disabilities in their base school.

- Examine how students with disabilities are making progress in the general education curriculum (IDEA, 2004). Explore “progress” as supported by, at a minimum, student growth progression, cohort progression, national data and parental goals.
- Examine current FCPS staffing practices and facility adequacy and limitations to evaluate efficacy in delivering services at the building level while meeting the needs of a diverse population of students with disabilities in grades pre-K-12 with current composition of FCPS facilities.

Adjournment: 9:30 pm

Next ACSD meeting: June 13, 2018 at 7pm

Minutes submitted by: Sandi Dallhoff

Handout 1: The Special Education Update, May 2018

Handout 2: Advisory Committee for Students with Disabilities Subcommittee Duties