

MINUTES

Facilities Planning Advisory Council (FPAC)

Regular Meeting
2018-19 School Year

March 5, 2019

The meeting convened at 7:09 pm in Room 5050 of the Gatehouse Administration Center.
The following FPAC members attended:

Charles Hookey	<i>Braddock/Secretary</i>	Shaun Ferrari	<i>Springfield</i>
Jay Reddy	<i>Dranesville</i>	Shawn Xu	<i>Sully</i>
Richard Ballard	<i>Lee</i>	Karen Hogan	<i>At Large/Chair</i>
Dan Aminoff	<i>Mason/Vice Chair</i>	Dave Phillips	<i>At Large</i>

FCPS Staff:

Jessica Gillis, *Director, Facilities Planning*
Francine Furby, *Director, Transportation Services*

Meeting Opening

Hogan opened the meeting and welcomed Furby who is invited to be a featured presenter at a future FPAC meeting. She announced that At-Large FPAC representative Samia Byrd has resigned effective immediately due to more-than-anticipated scheduling and professional conflicts. Hogan reported that she and Aminoff will meet with superintendent Brabrand on March 7, 2019 for an FPAC 'update'. Hogan noted the following upcoming meetings:

Monday, Mar. 11: SB Work Session on boundary adjustments: 12:30 pm, GAC

Tuesday, Mar. 19: FPAC Comm. on boundary adjustments: 6:00 pm, GAC 5050

Community Time

Kathy Hosek (West Potomac HS community) was present.

Minutes

Minutes from the February 5, 2019 FPAC meeting and February 23, 2019 FPAC retreat were approved as corrected and amended.

Staff Announcements/Presentation/Discussion

Gillis reported on staff's work to respond to the 14 'next steps' resulting from the boundary policy work session on February 25, 2019. She expects that work to be submitted to Board Docs by March 8, 2019. Gillis outlined what she perceived to be the major elements rising in this current boundary policy discussion:

- Transparency in all boundary 'thought' processes -- from the staff, the school board, and the community;
- The need for the school board to give some 'guidance for goals' of a revised boundary policy;
- The need to prioritize factors to be considered in boundary adjustments. (Such prioritization was lacking from previous 'guidance'.) Factors include:
 - Capacity (overcrowding) solutions
 - Socio-economic balance
 - Transportation time

Gillis also spoke of the underlying consideration and effect that 'universal pre-K' may have on capacity. She also reiterated the long-standing challenge of 'solving' attendance area anomalies such as islands, and cross-pyramid facilities (Whitman MS, Bailey's Upper).

Old Business

Hogan and Hookey reported on the School Board's comments during/after their presentation of FPAC's semi-annual report on February 25, 2019.

New Business

There was no new business.

Member Time

Aminoff announced that the committee on boundaries will meet on Tuesday, March 19 at 6:00 pm at GAC/Room 5050. SB Chair/Member Karen Corbett Sanders has indicated she will attend.

Kate Howarth sent word that she has contacted representatives at Arlington County's Discovery Elementary School and could arrange a tour for FPAC members as desired. From the school's website:

Discovery Elementary is a neighborhood school where students engage in sustainability practices and serve as stewards of the environment. Discovery is a Net Zero Energy school in that the total amount of energy used in a year is approximately equal to the amount of renewable energy created during that year. As a green building, Discovery supports experiential learning and encourages students to be stewards of the environment through service and leadership.

Hogan asked FPAC members interested in a tour to respond to Kate's email on the topic.

Ballard passed out 'read-ahead' materials for the April FPAC meeting and gave a brief preview of the topic associated with the guest speaker he has arranged. The subject is energy savings contracts.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.