



LOUDOUN COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

21000 Education Court
Ashburn, VA 20148

SCHOOL BOARD

Loudoun Education Alliance of Families (LEAF)
Committee Meeting

PUBLIC MEETING NOTES

September 18, 2023, 5:30 p.m.

Board Members and Staff Present:

Erika Ogedegbe, Leesburg District; Joan Sahlgren; Christina Arpante; and Kim Goodlin

Committee Members Present:

Ashburn District: Lori Bryant, Jessica Chalamalasetti, Mital Gandhi, Candice Hillman, Christen Miller, Payal Umbralkar and Bill Wright

Central Loudoun: Erin Brown, Cheri Colby, Colin Doniger, Hollie Fischer-McTiernan, Nathan Hollenbach, Laura Karwoski, Nikki Maples-Reynolds, Karen Miller, Sara Monteleone, Lauren Shernoff and Melanie Srivisal

County-wide: Kate Davinroy

Dulles North: Jewelyn Cosgrove, Erika Daly, Julie Goodrich, Thais Jones, Fnu Nitika and Elisa Reinhardt

Dulles South: Ginny Beers, Rob Clay, Kristina Donahue, Laurel Janardhan, Leah Macchiarolo, Jeannette Mahood, Doug Morford, Meredith Ray and Lori Ann Terjesen (Alt)

Eastern Loudoun: Kerry Kidwell, Amanda Massey (Alt), Abigail Pham, Kelly Sanchez and Hayley Stenger

Western Loudoun: Jennifer Del Grande, Sarah Dorosky and Leigh Scott

Committee Members Absent:

Ashburn District: Kelly Lalumondier, Kevin Travis and Lydia Sorenson

Central Loudoun:

County-wide: Ian Frame, David Jenkins and Jennifer Johnson

Dulles North: Debasish Chowdhuri, Jennifer Molina and Satish Narala

Dulles South: Elissa McCarroll, Bradley McKinney

Eastern Loudoun: Melody Caprio, Rachel Coehlo, Diedre Gambrell, Ana Hussey, Anne Morgan and Lydia Taylor

Western Loudoun: Kelly Michon, Abbie Platt and Kathy Summers

1. Call to Order

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes for the August 21, 2023, LEAF meeting were approved with no revisions.

3. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

4. Information Items

- *Welcome: Dr. Spence:* Mrs. Ogedegbe introduced Superintendent Dr. Aaron Spence to the Alliance members. Dr. Spence gave a brief presentation and then opened the floor for a question-and-answer session capturing membership feedback on the status of LCPS and other hot topics.

- *Alliance Communication Practices:* LEAF leadership has obtained LEAF-specific emails that will be used for all LEAF business. The website has been updated so Alliance members can contact the executive board with any questions or concerns. The Alliance members had a discussion of communication best practices. Staff will provide a meeting summary a few days after each LEAF meeting to assist in consistent communication and dissemination of information to each school community.
- *Membership Recruitment Drive:* Ginny Beers, Vice-President of Membership, led the discussion about membership recruitment and the need to fill additional open school seats. There will be a continued recruitment drive for those schools that do not have representatives.
- *Upcoming Event of Interest:*
 - Special Programs Fair is scheduled on September 28, 2023, at Heritage High School from 6-8 p.m.
 - PTA Parent Resource Fair is scheduled on October 11, 2023, at the Administrative Office from 6-8 p.m.
 - Join Dr. Spence at one of the community listening sessions he is hosting for each school cluster at all LCPS high schools. For more information, visit the [community listening website](https://www.lcps.org/suptcls) (<https://www.lcps.org/suptcls>).

5. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Next Meeting: October 16, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.