



Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda
LCPS Administrative Building, 21000 Education Court, Ashburn, Virginia 20148

SEAC Sponsored Presentation

Wednesday, January 10, 2024- Live Stream: <https://vimeo.com/901679167>

Welcome by Liz Crotty 6:02

Presentation: The Role of SEAC, Presenter: Chiquita Seaborne, Ph.D., Family Engagement Specialist/Special Projects Coordinator, Office of Special Education Family Support and Special Facilities, Virginia Department of Education

Business Meeting

1. Call to Order- Liz Crotty @ 7:19

2. Office of Special Education Update - Dr. Paige Carter

Currently serving 9,922 students with special needs (not including 95 students recently found eligible but without IEPs)

Hired 3 new teachers since the December meeting

Current teacher vacancies are 48 positions and teaching assistant vacancies are 16 positions

Audit update-

VDOE Cyclical Monitoring

VDOE monitors are out in schools making visits and corrective actions have already begun in some areas

Expect a report in 90 days

Internal Staffing Audit

Internal staffing audit school visits are still underway, report is expected in February to the School Board

All reports will be available to the public once they are submitted to the School Board

3. Department of Student Services-Tedra Richardson

Superintendent will present budget needs to the School Board on 1/16. Priorities include funding for staff compensation, retention and recruitment of teachers. The Dept. Of Student Services budget presentation of needs on 1/25 will include increased funding for special education teacher and related service provider staffing, diagnostic and prevention services, new classroom materials, assistive technology devices and expanding LCPS cohort with George Mason University.

ALL IN VIRGINIA Plan – LCPS has 2 contracts with tutoring providers: University Instructors will provide 100 in-person tutors and Varsity Tutors will work with students online. None of the tutors have been identified as having experience with students with disabilities.

New Business

4. Review of Policy 8310, Theatrical Presentations and Policy 8360, School Publications – Policy and Compliance

Subcommittee made no recommendations for changes

5. Did You Know? Erin Roselle-Poe presented a list of other related services (other than speech and OT) that may be required to assist a child with a disability to benefit from special education services

6. SEAC Chair Report

- ALL IN VIRGINIA Plan concerns from parents include inconsistent rollout throughout the county and special education students not qualifying for tutoring because they receive specialized instruction in reading or math.
- Parent concerns regarding the difficulty in viewing data collection that supports their student's IEP goals: requires a school meeting, no copies are available, and data is not explained.
- Other parent concerns include the need for more reverse inclusion and full-day preschool programs.
- 2024 SEAC Awards will be held on June 5 at 6:30 p.m. at Rock Ridge High School. All SEAC members and

representatives are needed to help out.

- SEAC has 72 PTA/PTO representatives, with 24 schools not currently represented. SEAC has 18 voting members with 3 open memberships.

7. Subcommittee Reports

- Meaningful Inclusion Subcommittee** – playground report is ongoing with surveys sent to LCPS teachers. Responses will be tallied and the Subcommittee will submit a full report to SEAC. Next meeting will be on January 31 at 6 p.m.
- Specialized Reading and Math** – continues review of provisions of the K-2 for Literacy Act and how read-aloud accommodations for SOLs are handled. Next meeting will be on January 23 at 5 p.m.
- Transition Subcommittee** – holding work sessions with LCPS staff on 1/24, 3/5 and 5/22 in Room 104G. Two members of the Subcommittee advocated to the School Board to that all high schools should be equipped with independent living labs as a line item in the capital improvements funding proposal.
- SEAC Awards Planning** – reviewed the questions and criteria used in its nomination materials. Applications should be available in February.
- Literacy and Math** – work sessions will be held on 3/8 and 5/13 at 9:30 a.m.

8. **Parent Resource Services** – Leanne Kidwell Leanne.Kidwell@lcps.org lcps.org/ParentResourceServices
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Middle School Connection 1/18; United for Wellness Conference 1/27; When the Bus Stops Coming 2/3

9. **School Board Liaison** – Dr. Kari LaBell expressed her sincere interest in serving as the SEAC liaison to the School Board

10. **Next SEAC Meeting- Wednesday, February 14, 2024 @ 6:00pm, Inclusive Practices and Meaningful Inclusion Presentation**, Dr. Paige Carter, Director of Special Education, Specialized Instruction and Chris Bugaj, Assistive Technology Specialist

11. **Adjourn: 8:04 pm**

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