

**Special Education Advisory Committee
Virginia Beach City Public Schools
SEAC Approved Minutes – April 11, 2011**

Attendance

Present Members:	Ping Camano, Deborah Dougherty, Sandy Herman, DRS (Rod Curry, Bonita Pope), Sara MacDonald, Lisa Parker, Jennifer Stratton, Kara Russell,
Absent Members:	Rayna Amoreno, JoAnna Bryant, Cherese Jenks, Jan Solock, Cheryl Ward, Carolyn Stark
Consultants Present:	DHS (Melissa Barnett), Dr. Judith Green, Dr. Brenda Reid, Morgan Hill, Dr. Daisy Wood
Consultants Absent:	Norman Brown, Suzie Kumpf
Guests:	Wanda Byrd, Carri Eikenberry, Veronica Ellis, Elizabeth Jones, Donna Robel, Perrin Vice, Amy Schuiteboer, Nancy Williams
Quorum Present:	Yes

Welcome/Introductions

The meeting commenced at 9:05 AM, with Kara Russell welcoming everyone present.

Public Comment

There was one public comment submitted by Chris Chewing—

1. Inquiring about the four days that Dr. Kidd observed a classroom, she wants to know what was the results or data that was gathered, and if it was available for parent access.
- 2.

<u>Announcements</u>	There were no announcements made.
<u>correspondence</u>	None received.

Reports

Dr. Daisy Wood, OPEC	Dr. Wood reported a re-organization will become effective in OPEC July 1, 2011. Instead of having one coordinator in charge of a particular school, she is moving to establish zones of all levels, inclusive of two coordinators, psychologist and school social worker. All categories will be on each team called a blended team. Dr. Wood indicated some staff members who will be retiring soon, and the hiring of new coordinators. She informed the committee that the Annual Plan is now ready to be presented to the school board on April 26, 2011. Members were encouraged to attend the meeting.
Dept. Parks and Rec. Carolyn Stark	Report was given by Morgan Hill in the absence of Carolyn Stark. The Virginia Beach Parks and Recreation Spring Guides are currently available and can be obtained at any of the recreation centers or on line at www.vbgov.com/parks
Parent Support and Information Center Dr. Brenda Reid	Parent Support and Information Center: Dr. Brenda Reid distributed a copy of her report for the month of March-April. Copies of the event calendar were also distributed. She spoke about the 2010-2011 Parent Involvement Survey, and encouraged parent to participate.

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Dept. of Rehab.	No report/activity reported.
Cheryl Ward Independence Center	No report/activity reported.
VBDHS: VaBeach Infant Program & Dept Melissa Barnett	Melissa Barnett reported about the Pals I/Pals II programs. She distributed a newsletter to each participant.
Jennifer Stratton C&I	Ms. Stratton informed the committee about the two meetings she recently attended to help establish the curriculum guide for students with moderate to severe disabilities. Dr. Wood reiterated—Wilma White is currently looking at some programs, and will select two to support the curriculum. One member asked if VBCPS will be moving towards the <i>Standard Based IEP</i> ? Dr. Wood indicated some training that will be underway comes June 28, through the end of August. She emphasized that teachers will be trained in the <i>V-MAST-Math</i> this summer. She also notified the committee that all those teachers who are currently in the ABA program will be taking the field test during spring of this year. Dr. Wood informed the committee that she will give a brief summary to the committee of the training the teachers will be receiving at its next meeting. A lengthy discussion followed regarding the <i>Standard Based IEP</i>

SEAC Standing Subcommittees

Membership Subcommittee Chair: Jan Solock	In the absence of Jan Solock, Kara read a letter to the committee written by Dianna Swenson, announcing her resignation from the SEAC committee.
Policy Review Subcommittee Chair: Sandy Hermann	No report/activity reported.

SEAC Ad Hoc Subcommittees:

SEAC Effectiveness Chair: JoAnna Bryant	No report/activity reported.
Minority Review Cheryl Ward	No report/activity reported.
Disability Awareness Subcommittee Cherese Jenks	No report/activity reported.
Annual Report Committee Chair: Sara MacDonald	Committee met once and plans to meet again. The annual plan is now ready to be presented to the school board on April 26, 2011. Sandy moved to make a motion for members to show support and for making public comment on the Annual Plan .

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By-Law Review Chair: Cheryl Ward	No report/activity reported.
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SEAC Representatives

Transportation Dianna Swenson	No report/activity reported.
VBCPS Transition Advisory Committee Meeting (JoAnna Bryant/Kara Russell)	No report/activity reported.
SECEP Joint Board Meeting Representative(s)	Dr. Green announced that the budget was approved with no new changes for the upcoming school year. She indicated that based on information received from Dr. Massey, SECEP students will be able to obtain their report card electronically. She informed the committee that she has seen a steady growth in Autism. Flowers will be on sale at the Renaissance Center on April 29 from 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM and May 2 – 5, 1:00 – 4:00 PM.

VBCPS Curriculum for Students with Moderate to Severe Disabilities Committee SEAC Rep: JoAnna Bryant	No report/activity reported. (See statement made by Jennifer Stratton, C&I representative)
School Board Representative	No report/activity reported.

OLD Business - None

New Business

- A. Dr. Daisy Wood
Annual Plan: The Annual Plan is now ready to be presented to the school board on April 26, 2011.
- B. Amy Schuiteboer – gave a report on Indicator 14 (report on file)
- C. Rod Curry gave report and indicated 11 students were referred to their services
- D. Nominating Committee – Slate of Officers.
The committee recommended Sandy Herman to serve as chair, Kara Russell to serve as vice chair for the SEAC committee for next school year. Sandy nominated Sara MacDonald to serve as secretary, Ms. MacDonald accepted.

Other Business - None

Review of Public Comment

The meeting was adjourned by Kara Russell at 11:50 a.m.
Next SEAC Meeting: May 9, 2011 ■ 9:00 a.m. at the Special Education Annex, Room 25