

Special Education Advisory Committee
Virginia Beach City Public Schools
 Approved SEAC Minutes – May 9, 2011

Attendance

Present Members:	Ping Camano, Deborah Dougherty, Sandy Hermann, Lisa Parker, Kara Russell, Dept of Parks and Rec (Carolyn Stark)
Absent Members:	Rayna Amoreno, JoAnna Bryant, Cherese Jenks, Jan Solock, Sara MacDonald, Cheryl Ward
Consultants Present:	DHS (Melissa Barnett), Dr. Judith Green, Dr. Brenda Reid, Dr. Daisy Wood, Suzie Kumpf,
Consultants Absent:	Norman Brown, DRS (Rod Curry, Bonita Pope), Jennifer Stratton
Guests:	Susan Dolson, Beth Jones, Andrea Anderson, Vanessa Siedlecki, Carolyn Domme, Donna Robel, Zola Doss
Quorum Present:	No

Welcome/Introductions

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

Public Comment

There was one public comment submitted by Andrea Anderson.

1. Concerning inclusion programs in the division for students with Down syndrome. Andrea Anderson indicated that no response is necessary.

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

Reports

Dr. Daisy Wood, OPEC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Wood reported a revamping of programs for children with disability in the division. The goal is to close the achievement gap for all children. She is looking at inclusiveness for all students: military, English language and disability by gradually encouraging change in the division.
Dept. Parks and Rec. Carolyn Stark	Report by Carolyn Stark. The Virginia Beach Parks and Recreation next registration will be June 4 th from 9-12. Students do not need to be a member of the recreation center to register. A Day Surf Camp will be sponsored on July 3 and Aug. 6. She encouraged parent to sign up for the camp. Interviewing and hiring for summer camp staff has been completed.
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 May-June. Highlights of the summer month activities are PSIC Awareness Days at Bayside, Kempsville and Princess Anne Recreation Centers.

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Dept. of Rehab. (DRS)	No report/activity reported.
Cheryl Ward Independence Center	No report/activity reported.
VBDHS: VaBeach Infant Program & Dept Melissa Barnett	No report/ activity reported.
Jennifer Stratton C&I	No report/ activity reported.

SEAC Standing Subcommittees

Membership Subcommittee Chair: Jan Solock	No report / activity reported.
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Policy Review Subcommittee Chair: Sandy Hermann	No report/activity reported.
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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	Mrs. Hermann reported the annual plan was presented to the school board on April 26, 2011.
By-Law Review Chair: Cheryl Ward	No report/activity reported.

SEAC Representatives

Transportation Dianna Swenson	No report. There was a discussion about this committee continuing to address issues. Members will meet with Allison Jordan and Dr. Reid to suggest training areas for school bus drivers.
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VBCPS Transition Advisory Committee Meeting (JoAnna Bryant/Kara Russell)	No report/activity reported.
SECEP Joint Board Meeting Representative(s)	No report/activity reported.

VBCPS Curriculum for Students with Moderate to Severe Disabilities Committee SEAC Rep: JoAnna Bryant	No report/activity reported.
School Board Representative	No report/activity reported.

OLD Business - None

New Business

- A. The Inclusion report given at the last school board meeting was discussed. There is no clear definition for Inclusion at all schools. Dr. Wood explained the training for assistant principals through OPEC and training offered for schools through Curriculum and Instruction. Site Based Management was explained.
 A request to have a copy of the draft Inclusion Manual and Inclusion Modules sent to Kara Russell. SEAC will give feedback with recommendation as part of the annual plan. It was also requested to have a representative from C&I present at the June meeting
- B. The 2011-2012 SEAC calendars were developed and will be voted on at the June meeting.
- C. Kara announced the slate of officers will be approved at the June meeting.
- D. The teacher representative for SEAC, Beth Jones's request for appointment letter will be presented at the next School Board meeting May 10, 2011.

Other Business - None

Review of Public Comment

The public comment was read. Questions were answered by Dr. Wood. (on file). No further action necessary.

The meeting was adjourned by Kara Russell at 11:20 AM.

Next SEAC Meeting: June 14, 2011 ■ 9:00 a.m. at the Special Education Annex, Room 25