



Local Advisory Committee (LAC) Meeting  
Spratley Gifted Center  
October 1, 2013  
7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Minutes

- I. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.
- II. The Gifted Resource and Excel Art Open House was held from 6:00-7:00. Ruth Grillo presented an overview of the gifted resource and Excel Art programs, and introduced the new teachers, as well as the IB coordinator.
- III. Updates and changes to the Local Plan were discussed and approved:
  - a. Add a placement review for fifth grade Excel Art students
  - b. Add Gateway middle school resource program
  - c. Make Advisory Committee ad hoc, to meet only as needed
  - d. Add screening for all first graders with NNAT
  - e. Add enrichment block as part of differentiated services
  - f. Add competencies modules as training for all teachers
  - g. Add alternate interview for homeschool students who do not have teacher ratings
  - h. Clarify wording as needed to meet requirements of technical review
- IV. New projects were discussed (gifted preschool, gifted summer camp, gifted theater arts), but will continue to be on hold until the budget situation improves.
- V. Members asked for a parent workshop on “How to Raise a Gifted Child” – providing supports, meeting needs, tips on how to help at home, etc. Mrs. Grillo will plan this workshop.
- VI. Members also asked to have the new collaborative gifted competencies modules posted online for parents. Mrs. Grillo will ask to have that done.
- VII. Mrs. Grillo gave an update on the website, the gifted curriculum, and the competencies collaboration (teacher training modules).
- VIII. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40.

Members and guests present:

Michelle Burwell  
Arnice Johnson  
Tammy Russell  
Rhonda Diamond  
Kedra Jemmott  
Dawn Napier  
Ruth Grillo

Debbie Butler  
Lucy Overton  
Jada Overton  
Debbie West  
Ginger Petsos  
Tonya Shields