Local Advisory Committee (LAC) Meeting
Spratley Gifted Center
March 29, 2016
7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Minutes

I. The LAC meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

II. The committee’s discussion focused on the approval of the Local Plan for 2016-2020 and the approval of the annual report.

III. The final parent and student survey results were included in the annual report. The responses submitted to the survey were very positive. One area to continue to work on is with parent communication. DAAE plans to distribute newsletters more frequently next year, and will consider additional ways to improve this communication process. A parent workshop on gifted characteristics is scheduled for April, but may need to have the date changed due to conflicting activities at Spratley.

IV. Both the report and the Local Plan were approved unanimously by the committee and will be presented to the School Board on June 1.

V. The committee discussed possible academic challenges for 9th and 10th graders next year, and will look for ways to get information to students about such competitions as the Children’s Engineering Conference, and information or activities sponsored by the Virginia Association of Science Teachers. Information is currently sent to the school level advisors (counselors) at the middle and high schools.

VI. Meeting dates will be on Tuesdays next year, in October, January and April. Dates will be posted on the web.

VII. Anyone interested in serving on this advisory board next year should contact Ruth Grillo at 727-2160.

VIII. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40.

Members present:

Steve Russell  Eric Stone
Kianga Thomas  Dawn Napier
George Gaten  David Rhodes
Ken Crum  Rebecca Whitehead
Shari Drake  Ruth Grillo