



Local Advisory Committee (LAC) Meeting
Spratley Gifted Center
March 23, 2017
6:30-7:30 pm

Minutes

- I. The LAC meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.
- II. Changes to the DAAE for next year were discussed. Concerns voiced by LAC committee members included:
 - a. If responsibilities are shared among multiple secretaries, the integrity of the program may be compromised due to diluted privacy (confidentiality of student records), and it will be a challenge to the efficiency of the work of the program
 - b. Military families calling from overseas need to have “one voice” for the program to have all of their questions answered and get needed information, documents, etc.
 - c. The DAAE secretary is the first point of contact for all of the parents/families of students in the program, students in process, and enquiring families (DAAE serves about 5000 families of identified students who may need information), and there should be “one person to ask questions of” who has all the necessary information available, current, and accurate
 - d. DAAE has legal requirements concerning timelines which may be compromised if documents must be passed through more people and locations
- III. A question was asked about how the new Academies will support gifted students in the high schools. Ms. Lee will raise this concern at her next committee meeting for the Academies.
- IV. The report from the technical review of the Local Plan was reviewed. The Local Plan met all of the state regulations. Recommendations and commendations from the review team are included in the annual report.
- V. The results of the annual stakeholder survey and program data were discussed. Those results are also included in the annual report. Ms. Jemmott will contact Ms. Grillo and lead a task force to determine additional ways in which African American students can be better represented in the program. It was noted that parents of IB and Governor’s School students provide input through the reports for those programs.
- VI. A question was asked about after school care for Spratley students. Those needs are determined on a yearly basis, and supported by Parks and Recreation if a minimum number of families are interested.
- VII. A suggestion was made to consider having more field trips for the gifted resource students, and to have activities so that the second graders eligible for Spratley have a chance to get to know students and staff already there, to ease the transition.
- VIII. The draft annual report was finalized.
- IX. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30.

Members present:

Glendeline Lee
Kedra Jemmott
Tammy Russell
Ashley Waite
Chasin Washington
Amy Pearson

Reginald Johns
Dawn Napier
David Rhodes
Rebecca Whitehead
Ruth Grillo