King George County Schools
Gifted Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
Thursday October 15, 2015, 4:09-4:55pm
King George County School Board Office
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1. Welcome and Introductions

- a. Attendees: Amanda Higgins, Corinne Graves, Allison Daughtridge, Sarah Wohlman, Valerie Burke, Erin Myers, Dustin Pifer.
- 2. Sign in and Contact information: Update contact information with Amanda Higgins as needed.
- 3. Elect Leadership Roles:
 - a. Nomination of Corrine Graves for Chair: Amanda Higgins
 - b. Second of Nomination: Allison Daughtridge
 - c. Nomination of Sarah Wohlman for Secretary: Allison Daughtridge
 - d. Second of Nomination: Amanda Higgins
- 4. Establish GAC Annual Goals/Presentation: Corinne Graves
 - a. Table Technical Review as it has already been taken care of.
 - b. Chair of School Board receives copy of Technical Review from Va Dept of Education.
 - c. Amanda Higgins states to only anticipate minor changes.
 - d. Corinne Graves mentions adding new members.
 - e. Amanda Higgins discusses Annual Reports examples used in Hanover and Stafford.
- 5. Coordinator's Report Amanda Higgins
 - a. Division Communication Website updated as well as Gifted instructional website. Let Amanda Higgins know if anything seems to be missing from the updated websites.
 - b. William and Mary to host conference focused on the future, February 6, 2016 for students and parents grades 6-12. Includes Management Skills, Emotional Needs, and Motivation for the underachiever.

Focus on the Future

- c. Virginia Association for the Gifted (VAG): Conference which Amanda Higgins will be attending on October 26-27 held at the Short Pump Hilton.
- d. Governor's Schools Programming:
 - 1. Governor's School Program Information Night will be held on December 3, 2015 at 6 p.m. This will be communicated to the Middle School through "Foxbites" and the High School through Powerschool. Eight grade students are encouraged to attend and Seventh grade is encouraged to find out preliminary information.
 - a. Dustin Pifer discusses information from Terri Rinko that she had talked to teachers to identify Gifted School students and follow up to inform students and parents about Math requirements and to know the math sequences needed to participate in the Governor's School Program.
 - b. Letter is to be sent to parents for fifth and sixth grade students in the Spring of 2016 with information about the purpose of the meeting and concentration on Math Requirements, Math acceleration for fifth grade and up.

2. CGS:

a. KGEF Grant: Fifth and Sixth grade from KGES transitioning to GCS includes materials, transportation, consumables, storage, and continues program through future years.

3. CBGS:

a. New Director for Chesapeake Bay Governor's School.

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- b. CBGS Facility needs updating due to air and water issues.
- 4. Summer Residential Governor's School currently tenth and eleventh grade will attend a week on a college campus with real course work.
- 5. Fredericksburg Regional Summer Governor's School includes sixth through eleventh grade a week science program (Both Summer programs are free).
- e. Measures of Academic Progress (MAP):
 - 1. Achievement testing for grades K-12, currently own this testing now.
 - 2. Results have been consistent with what we have accumulated in the past using the Stanford 10 testing method.
 - 3. MAP is much more convenient.
- f. Holiday Card Art Contest: Each School contest is coordinated by the art teacher/department at that certain school. The top two chosen by the School Board sent onward to the Divisional Card Contest. Submissions are due November 3, 2015.
- g. Agenda Addition: Technical review of our program by the Virginia Department of Education. Will receive feedback by the end of April 2016. The local plan technical review will be given to the local School Board Chairperson. Terri Rinko and Lora Tolliver are both on the approved list. Corinne Graves mentions there will be an open forum in the schools.
- 6. Meeting Schedule for 2015-2016 (Second Floor Conference Room, School Board Office)
 - a. December 10, 2015
 - b. February 18, 2015
 - c. April 14, 2016