King George County Schools Gifted Advisory Committee Thursday March 28, 2019, 4:04-5:10 p.m. KGCS-Minutes 24MAR19-GAC

1 Welcome and Introductions:

- A. Attendees: Amanda Higgins, Gayle Hock, Terri Rinko, Jennifer Truitt, Dustin Pifer, Allison Daughtridge, Corinne Graves, Valerie Burke
- B. Approval of Meeting Minutes January 7, 2019:
 - a. Motion to Approve: Gayle Hock; Second: Allison Daughtridge
 - b. All in favor.

2 Focus Topic: Report on the Middle School Services – Amanda Higgins:

- A. GAC members traveled to Stafford School Board to meet with the Stafford County Middle School Gifted Services resource officers and teachers.
- B. Focus was to gather ideas for providing services at KGMS when the sixth grade moves to KGMS.
- C. Stafford uses ability grouping of students for a pull-out or push-in program; requires significant coordination among teachers and resource officers. Stafford offers out of class and after school programs to complement in-school services.
- D. Take-away: need an in-school resource officer. Need to coordinate programming with teachers, guidance, and resource officer.

2 Coordinator's Report – Amanda Higgins:

A. Suggestions for increasing Membership on GAC: communicate with staff and resource teachers, communicate opportunities with parents at Open House. Suggestion to have a Gifted Center Back To School Night in the fall at KGCS; opportunity for parents to learn about program and meet teachers and for GAC to discuss committee work and offer membership opportunities.

B. Governor Schools:

- a. Chesapeake Bay Governor's School (CGBS) application deadline moved to April 1st. Suggestions for increasing applications for CGBS: have students/table at Career Night, bring a focus group of students to talk to 9th graders, make sure students know that they will be earning DE credits in this program.
- b. Commonwealth Governor's School (CGS) had 39 applicants for Governor's School this year; offered positions to 20. Twenty students will be joining as the CGS Freshman Class next year.
- c. Summer Residential Programs for grades 10 and 11 had 0 applications; committee to work on ways to increase applications.
- C. Fredericksburg Regional Governor's School for grades 6-11 applications are in.
- D. Gifted Center Open House is May 8, 5pm, in the KGES Library.
- 4. Motion to adjourn: 5:10pm, Dustin Pifer; Second: Allison Daughtridge; All in favor
- 5. No further GAC Meetings scheduled during the 2019-2020 school year.