

City Council School Board Subcommittee Meeting Notes

March 22, 2021

Attending:

Justin Wilson, Mayor
 John T. Chapman, Councilman
 Veronica Nolan, Vice Chair, Alexandria City School Board
 Meagan Alderton, Chair, Alexandria City School Board

Dr. Gregory C. Hutchings, Superintendent
 Mark Jinks, City Manager
 Debra Collins, Deputy City Manager

Jennifer Abruzzesse, ACPS
 Susan Neilson, ACPS
 Joanna Anderson, City Attorney
 Jeremy McPike, GS
 Theresa Werner, ACPS
 Dominic Turner, ACPS
 Margaret Orlando, RPCA
 Jack Browand, RPCA
 Jane Richardson, ACPS
 Margaret Orlando, RPCA
 Dr. Marcia Jackson, ACPS
 Kennetra Wood, ACPS
 Kendel Taylor, Finance

Kate Garvey, DCHS
 Dr. Stephen Haering, Health Dept.
 Erika Gulick, ACPS
 Robin Crawley
 Dr. Julie Crawford, ACPS
 Dr. Alicia Hart, ACPS
 Morgan Routt, OMB
 Katherine Carraway, P&Z
 James Spengler, RPCA
 Dr. Terri Mazingo, ACPS
 Julia Burgos, ACPS
 Madeeha Jauhar, ACPS

Item No.	Agenda Item Description	Discussion/Follow Up/Action	Responsible Party(ies)
I.	COVID-19 Update	<p>We are just under 11,000 cases. Our current positivity rate is 4.8%. As of today, at least 28,000 people have been partially vaccinated and about 19,000 have been fully vaccinated. Our target goal is to have 106,000 vaccinated. There was a 50 percent increase of the vaccines that were allocated to the City this week and anticipate continued increase over the next few weeks. AHD is ready to expand the number of PODs that they are conducting and Inova is ready spin-up at the Victory Center with any vaccines that exceeds AHDs capacity.</p> <p>AHD has done a lot of outreach to childcare providers and Pre-K to 12 teachers. ACPS should have records of the staff who have been vaccinated. CDC announced on Friday that schools should have at least 3 feet of distance. AHD will</p>	<p>Dr. Haering Dr. Gregory Hutchings Mark Jinks</p>

		<p>work with ACPS on the 3ft to 6ft distancing concerns this week.</p> <p>Dr. Hutchings indicated that ACPS is looking at all of the guidelines and trying to make the best decisions possible and will continue to rely on AHD for their expertise. We currently have more students that have returned to in-person learning.</p> <p>The City is continuing to staff the vaccinations sites and if needed, hiring new employees to work the sites with the funds that we have received from FEMA. The City museums are reopening on a limited basis, RPCA has sent out an announcement for limited summer programming.</p> <p>It has been requested that ACPS attend a City Council meeting to speak about the logistics and spacing needs.</p>	
II.	Public Comment	None.	
III.	Approval of Meeting Summary 2.22.2021	Approved.	
IV.	Major Projects:		
	a. High School Project	<p>The School Board has approved the Ed Spec, which led us to work on the concept design and there are currently three designs circulating. There have been various internal and community meetings to discuss the designs. The School Board is expected to vote on the concept at their April 8 meeting.</p> <p>ACPS is working with the City's P3 Coordinator, Julian Gonsalves, on potential opportunities for the Aquatics Facility, which is not currently in either the City or ACPS budget. The project will proceed as planned with or without a pool.</p>	<p>Erika Gulick Dr. Alicia Hart</p>

		It is anticipated that the design for the DSUP will be presented to City Council at the beginning of next calendar year.	
	b. Facility Assessment/CIP Planning	Our community meeting went well. We recapped where we were in the process and introduced some roadmap themes. Staff is currently working on development of our draft plan and hope to finalize it by the end of May.	Katherine Carraway
	c. Joint Capital Planning and Implementation	<i>Included with Facility Assessment/CIP report above.</i>	
	d. Early Childhood Education	Looking at data systems/data sharing agreement. ACPS are hosting information sessions in Zoom to related to registration. Nine new programs of joined the Virginia Equality Initiative.	Kate Garvey Michelle Smith Howard
	- Out of School Time	We continue to use recreation centers to support ACPS Virtual Plus programs, Health Department contact tracers, and space for overnight shelter. All of our summer information goes live on Wednesday and we will have capacity for approximately 430 students in the summer OTS. We anticipate offering OTS in the Fall. The City was able to get some additional space from ACPS for the modified summer programs. There will be some specialty camps this summer and pre-registration and financial assistance will be available.	James Spengler Margaret Orlando
	e. Budget Update	The City is currently in the budget work session and question stage. The ACPS budget was approved in February and they are currently working on their application for the second round of emergency relief funds. They are also working on the applications for ARP from the Virginia Department of Education (VDOE).	Morgan Routt Dominic Turner

	f. Amazon/VA Tech Update	No update.	
V.	Other Discussion Items		

Next meeting: