

Alexandria City Public Schools
Talented and Gifted Advisory Committee

June 2018 Minutes

Meeting: June 18, 2018, @ Mount Vernon Elementary School

TAGAC Members Present: Donna Brearley, Cailin Dore, Leigh Dugan, Julie Egy, Emily Garrahan, Joan Harvath, Ana Humphrey, Mark Lacy, Stephen Lally, Nicholas Miller, Gregg Murphy, and Laura Rose.

Additional Guests Present: Jacintha Green, candidate for School Board District A

Old Business:

Committee approved May 2018 Minutes.

Gregg will incorporate the Committee's suggested edits into the Scope of Work and Annual Report.

New Business:

The committee would like to propose moving meetings from the third Monday of each month to the first Monday. The committee will continue to hold meetings at a different school each month.

Donna shared that Tiana Dominick, the new K-3 coordinator, will begin duties on July 1, 2018. She is currently the Title I Elementary Science Specialist in the Central Office.

The Steering Committee has proposed delaying changes to the Local Plan for six months so that the Steering Committee can have a chance to discuss their suggestions with new Superintendent Dr. Hutchings.

The Committee shared some concerns about the initial discussions by the Steering Committee to move away from pull-out services to push-in only for TAG ELA Services. The elementary school principals are hoping to visit area schools that use this delivery model prior to further discussion in the fall. The Committee discussed taking a vote and composing a letter to the Steering Committee to voice concern about this new delivery model.

Additionally, George Washington Middle School is considering school-wide clustering model to deliver TAG services. Principal Mazur is also looking to visit other schools that use this model.

The Committee nominated and confirmed the following leadership positions for the 2018-19 school year:

- Chair: Nicholas Miller
- Vice Chair: Laura Rose
- Secretary: Emily Garrahan

Chair Report:

Annual Report Summary: