

# The Commonwealth Governor's School

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## 10-29-2021 Governing Board Meeting Minutes

### In Attendance:

- Superintendents - none
- Board Members - Mr. John Copeland (CCPS), Dr. Sarah Chase (Stafford County PS), Dr. Cathy Cutright (KGCS), Mr. Baron Braswell (Spotsylvania County PS)
- Central Office Staff - Mrs. Kristine Lentz-Johnston (Spotsylvania County PS), Prashant Shrestha (Spotsylvania County PS)
- Regional Office Staff - Mrs. Jen Grigsby, Mrs. Maggie Morganti, and Mrs. Heidi Robison
- Absent - Dr. Sarah Calveric, Dr. Robert Benson, Dr. Scott Baker, Dr. Stanley Jones

**Call to order** - Occurred at 3:58pm

**Roll Call** - 4:00pm - Quorum with 4 present board and/or alternate members

### Pledge of Allegiance

### Approval of October 29, 2021 Agenda (*page 1*)

- Dr. Chase motioned to approve agenda with removal of Monthly Financial report, seconded by Mr. Braswell, motion carries 4-0

### Citizen Comments

- none

### Board Members' Comments

- none

### Superintendents' Comments

- none

### CGS Program Counselor Report (*page 57*)

- Site visits
- Probation meetings - at end of 1st marking period
  - 70% of probation students improved GPA above 2.5
  - 20% of probation students were just below the 2.5 but made improvements
  - 10% were below 2.5 with no improvement and will be withdrawn from CGS
  - 1 withdrawn student
- Classroom visits/lesson - Spotsylvania site 11th grade stress management and coping skills (English class). Stafford site 10th grade, Study skills and stress management
- Student Survey results - top 3 - Self esteem, time management and self management
- Division-wide meetings and professional development
- Upcoming - Enrichment day sessions at Spotsylvania site: Stress Management and Mindfulness
  - 2022-2023 CGS Information Meetings
  - Individual student meetings for Ds and Fs first marking period
- Future professional development - DCJS Youth Suicide Prevention and Interventio training and American School Counselors Association - annual national virtual conference
- Provided copies of October and November 2021 "CGS Student Newsletter"

## **CGS Regional Director Report (pages 58-59)**

- CGS Events - past & upcoming
  - Fall Social - Belvedere Plantation - Sunday, Oct 24, 2021
  - Field Experiences
    - 8/26,2021 Colonial Williamsburg Comparison Experience
    - various dates - Water Quality & Canoeing Ecology Experience
    - 9/15/2021 Honors Algebra II Problem-Solving workshop
    - 10/27/2021 Orienteering 12th grade students
  - Upcoming
    - 10/6/21 Physics Workshop - Moved due to rain
    - 11/11 or 11/17 Enrichment Day
    - 12/1 Pamplin Park Experience
    - 12/9 Montpelier and/or Mock Congress Experience
    - 12/15 *A Christmas Carol*
- Program Updates
  - Stafford adjust start times
  - Caroline County updated their calendar
  - Observations and post-observation conferences - Nov thru Feb
  - CGS Kilroy robotics - Mr. Dave Shotwell retired, new coaches Mr. David Bergman and Ms. Tracy Ruidoux. A recruitment email will be sent out to students to encourage new students to join

## **Approval of Consent Agenda**

- Dr. Chase motioned to approve agenda amended by removing Monthly Financial Report (took care of on Oct 21, 2021), seconded by Mr. Braswell, motion carries 4-0

## **Informational Items**

- 2020-2021 SOL & AP Testing Data Synopsis (pages 16-39)
- 2021-2022 CGS Application Process Update (pages 40-42)
- 2021-2022 CGS Student Demographic Data - discussed breaking out male and female by race (pages 43-45)
- 2021-2022 CGS Demographics Report & Improvement Plan (pages 46-54) - Governor Northam's Office (year 2) - discussed the underserved, wanting to identify gifted students earlier. Stafford County uses the COGAT test to identify. Each county is different, and needs more exposure in middle school, some sites use STEM days to identify students' interests. In the last 4 years there has been a 13% increase in underserved populations attending the program. Question: Are diverse populations being served through alternate advanced programs (IB, Stat, AP courses, DE courses, etc.)?

## **Action Items**

- 2021-2022 Amended Budget Approval (pages 55-56) based on September 30, 2021 Enrollment (597)
- FY22 Amended CGS Regional Office Budget - Motion to adopt amended budget by Mr. Braswell and seconded by Dr. Chase.
  - Discussed original estimate was based on 648 students, did not fill freshmen classes and had students exit due to the impact of COVID-19 restrictions. Dr. Chase moved to approve the amended budget and Mr. Braswell seconded, motion carried 4-0.

## **Adjournment (4:54pm)**

- Dr. Chase motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Braswell, motion carried 4-0