Committee Members Present:
Ms. Joy Maloney, Committee Chair
Mrs. Debbie Rose

Additional School Board and Staff Members Present: Mary Kealy, Kevin Lewis, Ashley Ellis, Michael Richards, Clark Bowers, John Lody, Brian Stocks, Bev Tate, Loree Winslow, Angel Sager

1. **Approval of the February 15 Minutes**
   Mrs. Debbie Rose made the motion to approve the Draft Minutes from the February 15, 2018, Student Support and Services Committee meeting. Ms. Joy Maloney seconded the motion. The motion was approved 2-0-1 (Mrs. Turgeon absent).

2. **Public Comment**
   Shye Gilad spoke regarding changes to policies 8-12 and 8-13
   Fiorella Zevallos spoke regarding changes to policies 8-12 and 8-13
   Cory Brunet spoke regarding changes to policies 8-12 and 8-13
   Nancy Yu spoke regarding changes to policies 8-12 and 8-13
   Sandra Shihadeh spoke regarding changes to policies 8-12 and 8-13
   Natalia Saidou spoke regarding changes to policies 8-12 and 8-13

3. **Proposed Pupil Services Policy Revisions, Chapters 5 & 6:**
   Pupil Services Staff

   - Dr. Mary V. Kealy, Assistant Superintendent, Pupil Services, introduced Dr. Clark Bowers, Director, Student Services. Dr. Bowers highlighted the revised Policy 8110, Persons Entitled to Free Education. Dr. Kealy added that Mr. Hornberger suggested we combine policies; Persons Entitled to Free Education and Compulsory Attendance. Mrs. Rose commented that no substantive changes were made. Ms. Maloney moved the discussion to Policy 8115, which is referenced in Policy 8110. She indicated that the law states a different age, with regard to attendance for English Language Learners (ELL). Dr. Kealy clarifies that regulation states that students “may” attend which is different than “must” attend. Dr. Bowers read the language in the regulation. Ms. Maloney stated changes to wording are needed to Policy 8110.
   - Dr. Bowers highlighted the revised Policy 8115, Persons Who May be Admitted Free. Mrs. Rose asked if we did not have mechanisms in place and is concerned about having a 22-year-old in school as a safety concern with younger children. Dr. Bowers explained that the schools make the decision, with regard to students with 8 credits or fewer, that would be able to complete within the year. Ms. Maloney commented that of the 107 students over the age of 20, 47 were approved for age waivers this year. Dr. Kealy indicated that one thing that you will see continuously, is counselors will offer other educational options or other venues. Ms. Maloney
expressed concern regarding the fact that by law ELL should be allowed to stay in school. Mrs. Rose disagrees and feels they should be in adult education and agrees with staff recommendation. Dr. Ashley Ellis, Assistant Superintendent, Department of Instruction, explains that LCPS currently has adult education in the evening and would like to offer multiple location and times. Mr. Kirk Dolson, Principal, Park View High School (PVHS), explained how his model of personalized, on-line and creative learning is being utilized at PVHS. He is concerned that the 18-year-old students from other countries, who arrive with 5 credits, will find it impossible to complete high school in 4 years and count as a drop out, which is what he needs to consider toward his graduation rate. Mrs. Rose would like to lobby to give them something without the label of dropout and both Ms. Maloney and Mrs. Rose agree the policy needs more work and would like to look into changing it to consider grandfathering.

- Dr. Kealy introduces Mr. John Lody, Director, Diagnostic and Prevention Services. Mr. Lody highlighted the revised Policy 8290, Threat Assessment. Mr. Lody explains that updates were made, to the Policy, due to changes in Virginia Code. Dr. Kealy indicated that the changes reflect the collaboration with Mr. Kevin Lewis, Assistant Superintendent, Support Services. Mrs. Rose moved to recommend Policy 8290 to go to full board as an information item. Ms. Maloney seconded the motion.
- Mr. Lody highlighted the revised Policy 5025, Guidelines for Standardized Testing on Certain Days. Mrs. Rose asked if this policy is needed. Ms. Maloney asked if there is a similar policy. Mrs. Rose suggested we wait to have a discussion with Mrs. Turgeon with regard to eliminating this policy.

4. **Transportation Alternative Program Application (TAP), Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Status Update, Loudoun County Staff Recommendation, LCPS Staff Recommendation for Pending**

   Mr. Kevin Lewis, Assistant Superintendent, Support Services
   Mrs. Beverly Tate, Director, Planning Services
   Mrs. Sara Howard-O’Brien, Land Management Supervisor, Planning Services

   Mrs. Beverly Tate, Director, Planning Services, presented an update on the Transportation Alternative Program Application (TAP)/Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Application. Mrs. Tate advised the Committee that the pending SRTS funding application will be deferred in order to conduct an engineering study for the proposed Briar Woods High School pedestrian bridge, as advised by County staff. Mrs. Tate stated that the Briar Woods High School pedestrian bridge application will be delayed until fall 2019. She explained there is sufficient funding in the prior SRTS allocations to proceed with the Tripleseven Road trail/sidewalk, adjacent to Countryside Elementary School. Mr. Lewis added that this item was being presented to the Committee to inform them of the delay of the application. Mrs. Tate stated that the County would also be notified of the delay.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

**Next Meeting Date:** Thursday, April 26, 2018, 8:30 a.m.