March 23, 2021

LOUDOUN COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
5 p.m.
Presiding: Brenda Sheridan, Chair

This was a virtual meeting to comply with Gov. Ralph Northam’s Statewide Measure to Contain COVID-19, which limits in-person gatherings to 25 people.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Giancarlo Acevedo, a freshman at Rock Ridge High, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ACTION
The School Board Approved:
Minutes; Licensed Personnel Action; Classified Personnel Action; Pupil Services: New Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Member; and Support Services: Current Elementary School Students Affected by Attendance Zone Changes – Policy 8160 Survey Results for Certain Rising Grade Five Students.
… an Autism Acceptance Month Proclamation.
… a Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Day Proclamation.
… providing up to 10 paid leave days on an as-needed basis to full-time employees for the time missed between when an employee responds affirmatively to the Symptom Checker daily questionnaire and subsequently tests negative for COVID-19.
… a resolution affirming the Interim Superintendent’s plan for LCPS students to be learning in-person, five days a week during the 2021-2022 school year.

INFORMATION
Office of the Superintendent: Interim Superintendent Dr. Scott Ziegler presented the Superintendent's Operational Update.
Business and Financial Services: Assistant Superintendent for Business and Financial Services Sharon Willoughby presented the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Update
Public Information: Director of Communications and Community Engagement Joan Sahlgren presented a History of the Résumé created by the Public Information Office.

DELEGATIONS (LIVE COMMENTS)
Brian Davison spoke about stigmatizing Asian students. Brei Bailey, Elizabeth Perrin, Monica Sadeghi, Lela Heick, Erin Dunbar, Ian Tillman, Carri Michon and Mike Biron offered criticism of the School Board. Patti Menders, Mindy Celentano, Karlee Copeland, Austin Levine, Dan Salenger and Kay Greenwell registered concerns about social media posts concerning Loudoun parents. Cheryl Onderchain, Emma Celentano, Therese Liebermen, Elizabeth Boyko, Tori Walden, Erin Brown, Peter Livingston, Lisa Levine, Randy Rose, Elizabeth Tjoumas, Severine Jennings and Brandon Michon spoke about the need for five-day-a-week instruction. Arya Sadeghi, Nemat Sadeghi, Eli Heick, Ezra Heick, Leslie Heick and Grace Heick thanked the School Board for instituting hybrid learning. Darris Hess said the installation of sneeze guards on desks was unnecessary. Scott Mineo, Suzanne Byers, Chris Tjoumas, Jeremy Wright and Erika Field criticized LCPS equity efforts. Andrea Weiskopf spoke in favor of collective bargaining for teachers. Debbie Rose warned of union dues and litigation costs.

DELEGATIONS (VIRTUAL COMMENTS)