PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Smart’s Mill Bay Challenge, a group of sixth graders from Smart’s Mill Middle School who won the Virginia eCybermission Challenge, led the Pledge of Allegiance. The winning team is composed of Kaia Roberts, Katherine Anderson, and Addison Bover-Myers. They were coached by their SPECTRUM teacher, Susan Schar.

RECOGNITIONS

Career and Technical Education Supervisor, Dr. Lhe Smith, and Human Resources and Talent Development Supervisor, Robert Phillips, honored students who are representatives of Loudoun County Public Schools Teacher Cadet program. The teacher cadets recognized included Erica Jegels, Broad Run High School; Gabriella Manziano, Stone Bridge High School; Valeria Rivera, Heritage High School; Lauren Hinton, Briar Woods High School; Robert Brown, Dominion High School; Madelaine Dye, Freedom High School; Kiare Col, Independence High School; Kira Lao, John Champe High School; Carleigh McCahren, Riverside High School; and Charley Percy, Woodgrove High School.

State Sen. Barbara Favola (31st District) presented Senate Resolution 538, commending Loudoun County Public Schools (LCPS) custodians and maintenance technicians. Accepting the resolution on behalf of LCPS were Kevin Primeau and Brian Schmidt.

State Sen. Jennifer Boysko (33rd District) presented Senate Resolution 553, commending LCPS School Nutrition Services, Planning Services, and the Transportation Division. Accepting the resolution on behalf of LCPS were Teresa Lucas, Vicki Keegan, Susan Hembach, Julie Yonce and Luigi Mancini.

Sen. Boysko presented Senate Resolution 552, commending Kirk Dolson for his service to Park View High School.

Del. Wendy Gooditis (10th District) presented House Resolution 579, commending the LCPS Technology Team and Department of Digital Innovation. Accepting the resolution on behalf of LCPS were Mike Hendrickson, Josh Thom, Hannah Prebeck, Craig Spraggin, Nick Grzedz, Rachel Johnson, Justin Donovan, Chris Watson, Kevin Brooks, Kara Bane, Joanna Kaylor, Thomas Wolf, Karen Tyrell, and David Parker Ross.

School Board Vice Chair, Atoosa Reaser, presented House Resolution 587, commending the LCPS COVID-19 Vaccination POD, on behalf of Del. David Reid (32nd District). Accepting the resolution on behalf of LCPS were Dr. Clark Bowers, Jeannie Klonman, Kelly Thomas, and Kevin Brooks.

Reaser also presented House Resolution 568, commending LCPS educators and staff, on behalf of Del. Suhas Subramanyam. Accepting the resolution on behalf of LCPS were Dr. Ashley Ellis, Dr. Lucia Sebastian, Stefanie LaPolla, Dr. Lindsay Orme, Devon Becker, Erin Hornbeck, Dr. Heather Applegate, Dr. Tracy Jackson, and Heather Ross.

ACTION

The School Board Approved:

Minutes; Discipline Committee: Adoption of Revisions to Policy 8210, Introduction to Student Discipline and Deletion of Policy 8-34, Personal Electronic Devices and Laser Pointers; Finance & Operations Committee: Traffic Signal Easement at Pinebrook Elementary School; Equity Committee: Nominees for Vacant Head Start/STEP Committee Seat and Hunt District PTA Committee Seat and Licensed and Classified personnel actions, including the following administrative appointments:

Dr. Scott Ziegler as division superintendent. Ziegler holds a Doctor of Education degree in educational leadership from Northwest Nazarene University in Nampa, Idaho, and a certificate of advanced graduate study in education leadership from Cambridge College, Cambridge, Massachusetts. He earned a master’s degree in secondary education and a bachelor’s degree in history from Eastern Nazarene College, Quincy, Massachusetts. Dr. Ziegler began his career as a special education teacher in 1992 with the James Barry Robinson Center (a Portsmouth, Virginia, non-profit behavioral health system), Portsmouth Public Schools and Virginia Beach City Public Schools. He also taught social studies in Virginia Beach City Public Schools. After more than 15 years as a classroom teacher, he became an assistant principal and then an employee relations specialist with that school division. Immediately prior to joining LCPS, Ziegler served as executive director of human resources and special projects for the Portsmouth Public Schools, a position he held from 2015 to 2019. He came to LCPS as Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources and Talent Development in December 2019.

Colleen M. O’Neill as principal of Sterling Middle School, effective July 1, 2021. Ms. O’Neill holds a bachelor’s degree in English from George Mason University; a master’s degree in education from Duquesne University; and an endorsement in administration and supervision from the University of Virginia. She has served as a third-, fourth- and fifth-grade teacher in Prince William County Public Schools; as a third grade teacher at Cedar Lane Elementary; as
Paula R. Williams as principal of Moorefield Station Elementary, effective July 1, 2021. Ms. Williams holds a bachelor’s degree in history from Longwood University; a master’s degree in education from Marymount University; and a certificate in administration and supervision from the University of Virginia. She has served as a claims and policy service representative and a manager of insurance operations with USAA; as an ESL instructor with Fairfax County Public Schools; as an adjunct ESL instructor with Northern Virginia Community College; and as an ESOL teacher at Glenkirk Elementary; as a coordinated early intervening specialist, summer school principal and assistant principal at West Gate Elementary; and as assistant principal at Alvey Elementary, all with Prince William County Public Schools.

… naming the new high school, opening with the start of the 2021-2022 academic year, William Obediath Robey High School.

… revised Policy 8155, School Assignment.

… the implementation of House Bill 1909 - Gun-Free School Board Property.

… authorizing the expenditure and transfer of appropriated, unspent funds in the amount of $1.5m for water bottle filling stations.

… awarding a $2,000 bonus to the 320 LCPS vaccination POD staff (administrators, nurses and support staff) for a cost of $737,280; a $2,000 bonus to the 342 school-based administrative staff (principals, assistant principals, deans, counseling directors, academics coordinator and academics directors) for a cost of $787,968; and a $1,000 per month prorated bonus for the nine cabinet members for a cost of $105,600.

… Milestone ‘Towers’ proposed Mickie Gordon Park cellular tower.

INFORMATION
Office of the Superintendent: Dr. Ziegler, and Assistant Superintendent for Instruction, Dr. Ashley Ellis, presented the Superintendent’s Operational Update.

Department of Instruction: Dr. Ellis presented an update on the Academies of Loudoun outreach, recruitment, and admissions.

Office of the Superintendent: Dr. Ziegler outlined reaffirming the School Board Resolution Regarding Equity.

Legislative and Policy Committee: School Board Vice Chair, Atosoa Reaser (Algonkian District), and Division Counsel, Stephen F. DeVita, discussed the revision of Policy 2440, Order of Business, Quorum, Rules, Voting.

HRTD Committee: School Board member Denise Corbo (At-Large) detailed Policy 7040, School Calendar.

Department of Instruction: Dr. Ellis presented the Loudoun County Public Schools (LCPS) 2020-2021 Head Start Start Annual Training and Report and PY29 Grant Application and Budget for Funding Period December 1, 2021, to November 30, 2022.

Department of Instruction: Dr. Ellis outlined the Annual Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) Grant, as Amended by Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA) P.L. 114-95.

Finance and Operations Committee: School Board member Leslee King (Broad Run District) and Assistant Superintendent for Business and Financial Services Sharon Willoughby presented the revision of Policy 4120, Management of Funds.

Finance & Operations Committee: Assistant Superintendent for Support Services Kevin Lewis outlined the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) Clean School Bus Grant Program.

Support Services: Lewis presented the Fall 2021 School Board Meeting Calendar for an Elementary School Attendance Zone Change Process and Fiscal Year 2023 Capital Budgets.

Support Services: Lewis explained the Abbreviated Secondary School Attendance Zone Change Process.

DELEGATIONS (LIVE COMMENTS)

DELEGATIONS (VIRTUAL COMMENTS)