

Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting Notes



November 14, 2022 meeting – Carver Center, Board Room

Board member/committee chair Dianne Heath opened the meeting by welcoming all CAC member attendees, new and returning.

There were 32 total attendees, including 23 CAC members.

School Discipline and Behavior Supports in CCPS

- Discussed why we are seeing discipline challenges - kids out of school due to Covid, breakdown of family structure, smartphones and technology, diet, substance abuse, and trauma were brought up as some of the possible reasons.
- Challenges in early childhood include lack of communication skills, social skills, dysregulation, structure and stamina to complete the work.
- Challenges in middle and high school include difficulty resolving conflict, conflict from social media, and having the perseverance to follow through with a tough assignment.
- Solutions - Multi-systems of support (MTSS), Judy Center Services, Blueprint (younger students into school), create safe classrooms, Student Support Centers, and school-based mental health providers in each school.
- Mrs. Heath opened the floor for questions and discussion.

Special thanks to all our panelists: Dr Jennifer Hammer, Ms. Jennifer Ayers, Ms. Meghan Brown, Ms. Mandy Feeney, Ms. Kristen Lehr, Ms. Catrina Long, Mr. Kyle Longeway, Ms., Gina Pucci, and Dr. Sterling Seemans.

Citizens Advisory Committee Topic Survey

Thank you to all who filled out the Topic Survey. The topics of most interest are:

- Curriculum Development
- School Safety
- Achievement Data
- Maryland Blueprint
- Discipline and Disruptions
- Fiscal Year Budget 2024
- Educator Retention

We will do our best to get to each of these topics.

Adjournment

Mrs. Heath thanked everyone for attending.

Information regarding the next meeting, scheduled for February 9, 2023, will be sent to all CAC members via email.