

## **Minutes - SEAC Meeting - 4/9/24**

Meeting convened @ 7:02 pm

### SEAC Members Present:

Chris Seaman - Brownsville  
Alex Silverman - Baker-Butler  
Kendra Meiklejohn - Lakeside  
Amanda Vogel - Baker-Butler  
Kelly Altizer - Brownsville  
Dee Curry - Scottsville  
Laura DeNunzio - At Large  
Kate Geriepy - Journey  
Kim Jacobson - Stone Robinson  
Nicole Group - Community Labs  
Katie Richard - Woodbrook Elementary  
Betsey Soulsby - Community Rep  
Jen Beard - Stony Point  
Jen Underwood - Burley  
Jessica Allen - Ivy Elementary

### ACPS Staff Present:

Katy Compel, Director of Special Education  
Ashley Struzik, Assistant Director of Special Education

### Agenda:

1. Meetings from March approved unanimously
2. Updates
  - a. Response to SEAC 2023 annual report will be forthcoming in writing from School Board by May meeting
  - b. Officers for 2024-2025 - nominations and vote at next meeting
  - c. Family Council update (Tanya Evans not present, so skipped)
  - d. 2024-2025 SEAC meetings - Amanda Vogel will check calendar for monthly meeting dates
3. Work Session - SEAC Family Survey. Issues discussed:
  - a. Distribution - both email and paper. QR code for paper copies?
  - b. Distribution - can special education teacher / case manager hand out paper copy
  - c. Distribution - discussion of Bright Arrow capabilities and limitations
  - d. Timing - fall vs spring going forward?
  - e. Timing - back-to-school night
  - f. Focus groups - getting input from underrepresented groups
  - g. Welcome to SEAC - before August 24 - Amanda Vogel and Nicole Group
  - h. Audience - both IEP and 504
  - i. Revised survey questions for Fall 2024 approved unanimously

4. Bylaw amendments proposed in writing for vote at May meeting
  - a. Article III.6: Should vacancies occur **after October 1** (added language in bold)
  - b. Article IV.2: strike “during April of the school year”
  - c. Article IV.4.a: “The Chairperson **or Co-Chairpersons**” (added language in bold)
  - d. Article IV.4.b: “The Vice-Chairperson **or Co-Vice-Chairpersons**” (added language in bold)
  - e. Article IV.4.b: replace “his or her” with “their”
5. Subcommittees for 2024-2025 Academic Year
  - a. Outreach - work with Office of Community Engagement
6. Document w/expectations/norms of SEAC meetings
7. New items
  - a. Report of Special Education TA having to spend own personal money to attend a last-minute field trip. Katy Compel clarified this is not general practice.
  - b. Continuing concern about accessibility issues on field trips, including charter buses. Part of this may stem from all-county field trips. Contact person for this issue is the assistant principal at each school.
  - c. Transition fair last month - compliments to Stephanie Hicks and to county for funding it.
  - d. Announcement - Best Buddies at UVA Friendship Walk - Sunday 4/21, 1-3 pm, The Park (1015 Massie Road).
8. Public comment - none

Adjournment @ 8:34 PM