

VBCPS Gifted Community Advisory Committee Meeting

September 29, 2025
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Plaza Annex – FACE Building, Room 227, 641 Carriage Hill Road,
Virginia Beach, VA 23452

Attendance:

Voting Members Present (P), Virtual (V), or Absent (A):

Hiral Patel – At Large (Bayside), P
Ross Kremers – At Large (Cox), P
Holly Edwards – Bayside, A
Melinda Krakow – Cox, P
Holly Bennett – First Colonial, P
Brittany Horn, Chairperson – Green Run, P
Cathy Smith – Kellam, P
Chanel Minter – Kempsville, P
Frances Thompson – Landstown, P
Amanda Ash – Princess Anne, A
Sam Levin, Vice Chairperson – Tallwood, P

PRESENT= 9 voting members, ABSENT= 2
Quorum = Yes

Non-Voting Members/Ex Officio Members Present (P) or Absent(A):

Barbara Kimpan – Ex Officio, Elementary Gifted Resource Teacher, P
Lori Wilson - Ex Officio, Middle School Gifted Resource Teacher, P
Kelly Lepkowski - Ex Officio, High School Gifted Resource Teacher, P
Kelsey Seibert – Ex Officio, School Counseling, P
Louis Castigiloni - Gifted Visual Arts Rotating Representative, P
Kelsie Manugo - Student Representative, A
Tyson Dunn - Student Representative, P

Office of K-12 and Gifted Programs Staff:

Dr. Crystal Wilkerson, Meghann Scott, Angela Boubouheropoulos, Jessica Bradford and Marie Rousseau

Guests:

Carolyn Weems, VBCPS School Board Member; Dr. Lorena Kelly, DTAL; Johanna Ortiz, DTAL; Tiffany Mack, DTAL; Kami Lannetti, School Board Attorney

Meeting Minutes

1. Welcome - Brittany Horn, *Chairperson*, and Dr. Crystal Wilkerson, *Director, K-12 and Gifted Programs*, welcomed visitors and members.
2. Business Meeting
 - a. Procedural Review, Mrs. Kami Lannetti
 - b. NWEA Map Testing Overview, Elementary Teaching and Learning and Office of Gifted Programs
 - c. Data update shared
 - d. 25-26 GCAC Site Visits scheduled
 - e. 2025-2026 GCAC Membership Review – open seats for Ocean Lakes and Salem
 - i. Motion to open discussions of Candidates for Committee representative: Smith, Horn 2nd. Vote: Aye – Unanimous.
 - ii. Motion to close discussions of Candidates for Committee representatives: Thompson, Levin 2nd. Vote: Aye – Unanimous.
 - iii. Motion to Vote to recommend Candidate 3 as the Ocean Lakes Committee representative: Smith, Horn 2nd. Vote: - Aye – Unanimous.
 - iv. Motion to Vote to recommend Candidate 7 as the Salem Committee representative: Levin, Smith 2nd. Vote: Aye – Unanimous.
 - f. Subcommittee Discussions and Planning – Tabled until 12/1/25 meeting
3. Motion to adjourn the GCAC meeting at 7:56 pm: Smith, Levin 2nd. Vote: Aye - Unanimous

Respectfully Submitted,

Marie B. Rousseau

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