

## **DFA School Council Meeting**

**Wednesday, March 4, 2026, at 3:00PM**

**Location: DFA Front Office Conference Room;**

**Zoom:** <https://sc-edu.zoom.us/j/89421100817?pwd=FOSoR4xazVnE2Sm7vPoOGaWw5WvFmy.1>

Meeting ID: 894 2110 0817

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### **Agenda**

1. Call to Order
2. Approve of 1/12/2026 meeting minutes (draft attached)
3. Updates and Initiatives
  - a. Observership opportunities at Wellstar and other healthcare facilities – Dr. Sunitha Zechariah
  - b. Internship opportunities with AU Allied Health Sciences – Dr. Sunitha Zechariah
  - c. Goodwill and other internship opportunities - Dr. Quentin Davis
  - d. Student Mental Health and “Bring Change to Mind” program - Dr. Quentin Davis & Ms. Schow
  - e. Opportunities for DFA students through the Cyber Center and the Cyber Patriot summer camp – Ms. Latanya Jackson
4. School council member outreach and leadership transition
5. School Updates
6. Any additional business
7. Good of order

Note: This is a draft and will be approved at the council's next meeting.

## January 12, 2026 Meeting Minutes

### **Attendees Present:**

**In person:** Renee Kelly (Principal), Liz Schow (Counselor), Quentin Davis (Parent), Latanya Jackson (Teacher), Jimmy Bower (Teacher), Sunitha Zechariah (Parent),

**On phone:** Lauren Lee (Parent)

**Absent:** Laura Irwin (Community Leader), DH Zhang (Parent), Meghan Lacock (Parent) Jeremy Miller (Parent)

Meeting began with approval of meeting minutes. Dr. Quentin Davis moved the minutes to be approved and Dr. Kelly seconded the motion. All present members voted 'Yes' and approved the minutes as written.

### **Key Takeaway**

The group reviewed various educational and internship initiatives, including observerships at WellStar, potential partnerships with multiple organizations and cyber camp opportunities for students. Next meeting is scheduled for March 4<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm.

### **WellStar Observership Partnership Discussion**

- Sunitha Zechariah updated the committee about sending a proposal on the observerships to WellStar - working with Katie Campbell, however no response from Judy Stragnoff
- There is a new \$100 fee for medical paperwork and background checks charged by Wellstar.
- The group explored potential funding options through PTO or community partnerships, with Megan agreeing to fund up to \$500, which will cover paperwork expenses for five students.
- Sunitha informed that Dr. Stallings retired and now she is working with Dr. Carrick and Dr. Wakade to work on an internship for students to explore AU allied health sciences programs. She has reached out to Drs. Carrick and Wakade to set up an appointment.
- Committee discussed on whether we need an application to apply for the internship.

## **Campus Internship Updates**

- Quentin Davis updated about Goodwill and they are planning on meeting soon.

## **Bring Change to Mind Program**

- Mrs. Schow has signed up for 'Bring Change 2 Mind' club program
- She has signed up for the meeting and currently seeking students who are interested in the program
- This club will receive \$500 this school year and another \$500 next school year. This money can be used for speaker honorariums.
- Ms. Schow will speak to the students to see where there interest is and will use the funds to gear to the students' interests.

## **Cyber Center and Cyber Patriot Camp**

- Ms. Jackson updated about training at Cyber Center by Danny Ethridge, which is happening on February 4<sup>th</sup>. She is mainly targeting computer science students for it.
- Two skill levels of classes are being offered –
  - Cyber Patriot for standard computer science skill level. Application is open currently and camp will be on June 22 – 26, for 4 days.
  - Advanced level is for ages 10-17 and is from July 13 – 17 and this requires prior knowledge in cyber.
- Ms. Jackson also informed about Cyber Fest – Mrs. Brown is taking middle school students to this event.
- Another summer camp option available is QISE. It is open to all students.

## **School Update**

- None

## **Other Business**

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 4th at 3 PM.

## Next steps

- SZ: Follow up with Katie Campbell at AU WellStar regarding observership partnership details and \$100 student fee
- ML: Talk with PTO next month about potential funding to cover medical clearance fees for student observerships
- QD: Continue working with ACERM office at AU to establish lab internship application process, continue following up with Richmond County Chamber of Commerce about academic year internship programs, Film Augusta contacts.
- SZ: Reach out to RISE at the Hub regarding Teen Leadership Academy and potential internship opportunities
- QD: Create draft internship program options/formats for review by committee.
- QD: Send Bring Change 2 Mind slide deck to all committee members - **Completed.**
- ES: Send out communication to students to gauge interest in Bring Change 2 Mind club, schedule initial Bring Change to Mind club meeting before winter break and submit online application for Bring Change 2 Mind with advisor name and four student names once students are identified
- ES: Contact IT to ensure Headspace app/website is accessible on school computers
- ES: Promote Cyber Patriot Summer Camp via Remind, newsletter, and in class once applications open
- QD/SZ: Create internship/observership database spreadsheet.
- Dr. Kelly: Check with broadcasting students for podcast guest ideas and topics.  
SZ: Send email to committee members about meeting on Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 3

# Davidson Fine Arts School Council Meeting



Date: 3/4/2026  
 Location: Front Office Conference Room  
 Time: 3:00 p.m.

AGENDA  
 See handout

School Council	Signature
Renee Kelly, Principal	
Liz Schow, Counselor	
Jimmy Bower, Teacher	
Latanya Jackson, Teacher	
Dr. Quentin Davis, Parent	
Meghan Lacock, Parent	
Lauren Lee, Parent	
Laura Irwin, Parent	
Jeremy Miller, Parent	
Donghang Zhang, Parent	
Sunitha Zechariah, Parent	

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