

**Gifted Education Advisory Committee**  
**January 21, 2025, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.**  
**KLC Room 2002/2004**



*Attendees*

<b>Facilitators</b>	Heather Ramsey and Brenda Bailey	
<b>Invited</b>	Gifted Advisory Committee Members	
<b>Attendees</b>	<b>At Large</b> Joseph Longobardo: Present <b>Brentsville</b> Merianne Jensen: Present <b>Coles: Vacant</b> <b>Gainesville:</b> Rebecca Chavez: Present Alene Devereaux: Present Lisa Fox: Absent <b>Neabsco: Vacant</b> <b>Occoquan</b> Vicki Kieu: Absent Mary King: Present <b>Potomac:</b> Stacy Davis: Present Heather Ramsey: Present <b>Woodbridge: Vacant</b>	<b>Gifted Resource Teacher Consultants</b> Kerry Adkins: Present Dan Bredbenner: Absent Bridget Pine: Present <b>Administrator Consultants</b> Andrew Buchheit: Absent Melissa Edmonds: Present Jackie Overton: Present

*Meeting Outcomes:*

- *Members will learn about the high school seminar program.*

*Agenda*

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Minutes</b>
<b>Call to Order</b>	7:00 p.m.	Mrs. Ramsey Call to order at 7:03.
<b>Minutes</b>	7:05 p.m.	Corrections: There were no corrections to the October minutes.  Motion for Approval Made By: J. Longobardo Motion Seconded By: R. Chavez  <u>Approval Votes</u> At Large: Yea Coles: Vacant Brentsville: Yea

		Gainesville: Yea <i>Neabsco: Vacant</i> Occoquan: Yea Potomac: Yea <i>Woodbridge: Vacant</i>
<b>Citizen Comment</b>	7:10 p.m.	Mrs. Ramsey shared a concern about gifted budgeting stemming from her school advisory council. She asked if advanced course teachers should be considered part of the school gifted budget allocation. Mrs. Bailey clarified that sometimes they are if it is a special case, such as supporting a low-enrollment advanced course. Mrs. Devereaux recommended finding a way for GEMS to qualify for weighted or college credit. Mrs. Davis asked a question about the grade point system.
<b>Supervisor's Update</b>	7:15 p.m.	Mrs. Bailey shared that three multi-school events are now planned for some elementary schools.  Ms. Overton shared that the east and west high school events have taken place. The central event will be taking place in February.  Mrs. Bailey shared that on May 3 <sup>rd</sup> we will be hosting a parent event with multiple presenters: Emily Kircher Morris will present on 2E and Dr. German Diaz will present on advocating for ELs. We will have two additional sessions.
<b>Bylaw Approval and Election of Secretary</b>	7:20	Mrs. Bailey shared that the committee bylaws are required to follow a specific division template used by all advisory committees. Consequently, the committee will need to approve the revised bylaws. These revised bylaws require that the secretary is a School Board appointee. Consequently, the committee will need to elect a new secretary to meet this requirement.  <b>Voting Record for Approval of Bylaws</b>  Motion for Bylaws Approval Made By: A. Devereaux Motion Seconded By: M. Jensen  <u>Approval Votes</u> At Large: Yea <i>Coles: Vacant</i> Brentsville: Yea Gainesville: Yea <i>Neabsco: Vacant</i> Occoquan: Yea Potomac: Yea <i>Woodbridge: Vacant</i>

		<p><b>Voting Record for Election of Secretary</b></p> <p>Nomination for Secretary for Mr. Longobardo made by: A. Devereaux  Nomination seconded by: S. Davis</p> <p><u>Approval Votes</u>  At Large: Yea  <i>Coles: Vacant</i>  Brentsville: Yea  Gainesville: Yea  <i>Neabsco: Vacant</i>  Occoquan: Yea  Potomac: Yea  <i>Woodbridge: Vacant</i></p>
<b>High School Seminar</b>	7:30 p.m.	Ms. Overton presented an overview of high school seminar services. Committee members engaged in a mini-seminar from the 10 <sup>th</sup> grade curriculum on the concept of time, including multicultural perspectives of time.
<b>Adjourn</b>	8:30 p.m.	Mrs. Ramsey adjourned the meeting at 8:33