

Monday, February 8, 2021

Virtual Meeting on Zoom

FA-DSB Members in Attendance

- Deborah Hammer, Chair, Mount Vernon District
- Chester Freedenthal, Vice-Chair, Lee District
- Judith Turcott, Secretary, Fairfax City

Others Present

- Claudia Vila, Manager, Disability Rights and Resources
- Nicole Fagan, Staff, Disability Rights and Resources

The board conducted a wholly electronic meeting because the COVID-19 pandemic made it unsafe to physically assemble a quorum in one location or to have the public present.

Board members and staff support accessed the meeting via the Zoom web platform. All board members stated calling from their home district.

Members of the public accessed the meeting via an AT&T call line.

FA-DSB Executive Committee Items Discussed During the Meeting

Minutes and Agenda:

Call to order: 5:30 p.m. Roll call was done to establish that a quorum was present and that all could hear. A script was shared about the state of emergency necessitating a virtual meeting.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Executive Committee Meeting Items:

- **Review of November Minutes-** approved as presented.
- **Summary of Changes Made to DSB Bylaws**
Chester is currently working on the final changes to the by-laws. Members should send any changes to Claudia who will, in turn, send to Chester. Then a copy will be sent to all committee members for final comments and subsequent approval. Claudia will then provide input of the final draft before it goes to the County Attorney's Office. Anticipate full board spring approval.
- **DSB Mission Statement Review**
There was a discussion of the DSB Mission Statement. Claudia provided real-time track changes to the document based on the committee's feedback. A copy

will be shared with the full board at the March meeting. A discussion took place regarding future collaboration with other DSB boards in Northern Virginia.

- **DSB Survey Results Review**

The committee reviewed the survey results and the priorities identified in it. Web accessibility was mentioned as an item of particular interest to the committee. Claudia stated that there might be a county work dedicated to web accessibility and that she will inquire about it. The DSB would be interested in consulting with this group, if possible.

- **DSB Vacancies**

There are currently four board vacancies. The open positions are in Falls Church, Providence, Mason, and Dransville districts. Deborah would be interested in reaching out to the respective supervisors and urge them to advertise the vacancies.

- **Additional Business**

There was a discussion around the County's disability Facebook page. Claudia stated that an internal decision was made to fold in any Disability Rights and Resources information into the general DFS page. She stated that OPH is currently determining how to utilize the existing disability Facebook page. The committee expressed a desire to preserve the page so that there could be an outlet for sharing disability-related news/events.

Motion to adjourn was made and seconded at 6:40 p.m. The meeting was adjourned by Deborah.