

5/22/24 BAC Meeting Notes

Budget Advisory Committee Members Present: Ryan Reyna; Alex Scioscia; Christina Hildebidle
Jenica Patterson (phone); Bridget Shea Westfall

ACPS Staff Liaison Present: Robert Easley

School Board Liaison Present: Kelly Carmichael Booz, Board Member

BFAAC Liaison: none

Start of Meeting: 7:10pm. There were no public attendees.

End of Meeting: 8:08pm

Public Comment

- No public comment

Approval of Prior Minutes: Approved April minutes.

School Board updates: No updates

School division updates: No updates

BAC Chair updates:

- City Council approved additional dollars to support SB request for educator pay, positions, and ability to move forward on CIP based on previous agreed upon schedule
- Increase in budget for schools with an increase in real estate taxes
- Teachers will get market rate adjustment
- Desire for memo between BFAAC/BAC on sharing reflections on how the budget process went (contextual factors, etc); a way to shed light on future convos might go. A few points to include:
 - Created good conversations and showed Board commitment to what they thought was necessary
 - City Council primary process made it a unique time – it was both a pro and a con
 - Budget got people in the City talking about what schools need, which is positive
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 - For next year: work towards inclusivity across the city as well as doing education to our ACPS parents of why the budget is important and do some listening with the community to understand the needs
 - Another suggestion for the memo – helpful in a joint council board meeting; an effort to have a 30 min convo about how -- demonstrative discussion on when each body is accepting comments
- Collective bargaining discussions continue. Process underway to vote for the bargaining unit and leadership elections. Too early to tell what the focus of the bargaining will be on – it may mostly be around working conditions (vacation, seniority, etc). There may be interest to lock in a guarantee market rate adjustment, but that could take away option for retention/attraction flexibility for ACPS

- Three BAC members (Ryan, Alex, and Abdulahi) are all running for SB in the Fall, so may lose some BAC members. Any BAC member elected will be responsible for replacing role on BAC

Revenue sharing discussion

- Shared conversation with Falls Church, Manassas City, Arlington, on doing due diligence
 - Created revenue sharing memo and school board; population at prince william county – high EL and Afghan population and lot of title 1 school; and rural part that is conservative; much smaller school populations compared to acps; bridget will send those around
 - All research will be done in 3-4 weeks and start a memo in advance of June meeting; Bridget can help Jenica do the research in her region
 - Roanoke - Bridget
 - Portsmouth - Ryan
 - VA Beach – Ryan to ask Bill
- Outreach and recruitment
 - Translation still to be done
 - Send translation link to Ryan: <https://www.acps.k12.va.us/acps-staff-portal#translation>
 - PTAC to share out
- Send Ryan any more information for the key things want to convey in the memo