Legislative Breakfast December 14, 2016

The Arlington School Board sponsored a legislative breakfast on Wednesday, December 14, 2016, at Wakefield High School, 1325 S. Dinwiddie Street, Arlington, Virginia, with public remarks beginning at 8:55AM.

Present were:

Nancy Van Doren, Chair
Barbara Kanninen, Vice Chair
James Lander, Member
Reid Goldstein, Member
Dr. Pat Murphy, Superintendent
Members of the Arlington Public Schools Executive Leadership Team
Lilla Wise, Legislative Liaison

The breakfast was also attended by local legislators and their assistants, as well as School Board members and staff representing the Alexandria and Falls Church school systems.

Mr. Lander, Legislative Liaison, convened the meeting and introduced attendees. He thanked Chef Renee Randolph and students from the Arlington Career Center Culinary Arts Program, who provided breakfast. On behalf of the School Board, Ms. Van Doren welcomed the visitors.

Ms. Wise presented a summary of the positions in the Arlington School Board Legislative Package. After sharing the APS 3-5 Year Plan with the guests, Dr. Murphy gave an update on the SOL Innovations Committee's work, including that of the high school redesign subcommittee, which he leads.

Joan Wodiska, Vice President of the State Board of Education (BOE) then described three areas of focus for the BOE. These include high school redesign, adjusting the Standards of Quality to strengthen support for school staff, and the need to revamp Virginia's accountability system.

In closing, Ms. Wise thanked all of the participants and invited continued dialog and collaboration. The meeting concluded at 9:35 AM.

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ATTEST:	
Melanie Elliott, Clerk Arlington School Board	Nancy Van Doren, Chair Arlington School Board