

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA  
BOARD OF EDUCATION STANDARDS OF QUALITY COMMITTEE  
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

**MINUTES**

July 22, 2009

The Board of Education Standards of Quality Committee met at the James Monroe State Office Building, Jefferson Conference Room, 22<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Richmond, Virginia, with the following members present:

Dr. Mark E. Emblidge, President

Dr. Ella P. Ward, Vice President

Mrs. Eleanor Saslaw, Committee Chair

Dr. Thomas M. Brewster

Mr. Kelvin Moore

Mr. David L. Johnson

Mr. K. Rob Krupicka

Dr. Virginia L. McLaughlin

Mrs. Isis M. Castro

Dr. Patricia I. Wright

Superintendent of Public Instruction

Mrs. Saslaw, committee chair, presided and called the meeting to order at 3 p.m.

Ms. Anne Wescott, Assistant Superintendent, Policy and Communications, presented Augenblick, Palaich and Associates' Preliminary Review and Analysis of the Virginia Standards of Quality. She then discussed the data collection survey that the Virginia Department of Education sent to all school divisions on July 17, 2009 via Superintendent's Memorandum #191-09 seeking information regarding the divisions' implementation of the SOQ and suggestions for revisions. Mr. Kent Dickey, Assistant Superintendent for Finance, gave a presentation on the Direct Aid to Public Education Budget for the 2010-2012 Biennium. Following that presentation, public comment was received.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE STANDARDS OF QUALITY**

The public was invited to provide comments regarding revisions to the Standards of Quality. Following is a list of each speaker who provided comments and the organization they represented, if any:

Ms. Ashley Lewis, University of Virginia Student  
2006 Graduate of Appomattox Regional Governor's School

Ms. Precious Flax  
Student in Chesterfield County Public Schools

Ms. Amy Woolard, Attorney  
JustChildren

Ms. Sarah Geddes, Education Attorney  
Just Children

Ms. Michele Eiker, on behalf of Ms. Cate Newbanks  
FACES of Virginia Families: Foster, Adoption, and Kinship Association

Mr. Michael Molloy, Director, Office of Government Relations  
Fairfax County Public Schools

Ms. Natalie Randolph  
Teacher, Henrico County Public Schools

Ms. Christal Tanks  
Support Professional, Fairfax County Public Schools

Ms. Anjernetta Bowens, Member, Parent Leaders Advocating for Children's  
Education (P.L.A.C.E.), Richmond City Public Schools

Ms. Cora Hayes, Secretary, P.L.A.C.E.

A link to copies of the written comments provided by the speakers may be found on the  
Virginia Department of Education Standards of Quality Web page at  
<http://www.doe.virginia.gov/boe/quality/index.shtml>.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business of the Board of Education Committee on the  
Standards of Quality, Mrs. Saslaw adjourned the meeting at 5 p.m.