The meeting started at 7:05 PM.

1. Welcome
   a. Thirteen members were present: Cecilia Ciepiela-Kaelin (Chair), Bob Ramsey (co-Chair), Juan Gordon, Sr., Chuck Rush, Dan Rosman, Heather Jones, Melanie Bowen, Lida Anestidou, David Rosenblatt, Sheila Leonard, Matt Hochstein, Cristina Diaz-Torres, Jennifer Wagener; APS staff members Leslie Peterson and Tameka Lovett-Miller and School Board representative Tannia Talento.

2. Staff Comments
   a. Planning Factors – Dr. Tara Natrass
      i. APS Strategic Plan document referenced which helps guide how APS prioritizes where dollars should be spent
      ii. Discussion around detailed Planning Factor document – we can use the 2018 document to help with 2019 budget planning (because it is very similar)
         1. Starting page 25 is an overview of the various categories
         2. Starting page 27 is the spending by school type
         3. Use state SOQ (standards of quality) to see how APS compares to the minimum requirements
      iii. Budget discussions involve collaboration at the department level to foster ideas; principal group discussion also occurs
         1. There is a master list of potential ideas and a ranking mechanism is used to order them
            a. Currently with our projected budget shortfall we would need to implement all of the potential ideas
      iv. There is some potential that the state of Virginia could have some surplus funds – state Revenue represents only 11% of APS funding
      v. Last year some of the budget shortfalls were funded by one-time funds from Arlington County – this is not ideal, but we have to be flexible to consider all options given the size of the need
      vi. We believe Arlington County is considering a tax increase
         1. A one cent increase generates around $7 million in Revenue
   b. Enrollment Methodology and Projections – Robert Ruiz
      i. School by school projections will be available January 24th
         1. And a February update based on actual January enrollment
      ii. Change to option school/transfer policy and boundary updates will change how future enrollment plays out
      iii. Methodology improvements around county births, kindergarten allocations, county housing affordability and cumulative new housing impacts
      iv. Typically do projections at a school by school level (top down); and compare this with a county wide projection (bottom up)
      v. 2019-2028 projections take enrollment from 26,389 (2018) to 32,858 (+25%)
         1. Equivalent to 4 Elementary Schools (725 students), 1 Middle
School and 1 High School
   a. Current CIP accounts for 1 full ES (Reed) and a partial ES
      (adding 300 seats at existing site)
v. Amazon impact:
   1. Estimated 15-20% of employees will live in Arlington
      a. 3,600 new jobs by 2030 = just under 200 new students
   2. APS believes this is covered in the expected growth rate data
      from Arlington County (housing units and birth forecasts)
      a. Job growth was considered, just not named as Amazon
c. Close out – Leslie Peterson
   i. $9.3 million in available closeout funds – one-time funds
      1. $1.8 million into Compensation Reserve
      2. $6.9 million into Future Budget Years Reserve
      3. $0.6 million for 2019 expenditures

3. Other Business
   a. BAC members should look at the distributed WABE report
   b. February meeting will be in conjunction with the ACI Chairs

Meeting concluded at 9:10PM.