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APS Strategic Plan 2024-30



Partnerships Work Session (9/24)

Part 2: School Board Advisory Committee Structure

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- ❖ Overview of Current APS School Board Advisory Committees
- ❖ Revised APS School Board Advisory Committee Structure (under consideration)
- ❖ Proposed process to consider revisions to the current APS School Board Advisory Committee Structure
- ❖ Timeline & Community Engagement
- ❖ Next Steps
- ❖ Appendix
 - Examples of School Board Advisory Committee Structures in NOVA/DMV and National

- The School Board actively seeks the advice of community members through a wide range of committees and councils on issues or policies related to the successful operation of the school system.
- There are currently eight School Board Advisory Committees in APS, one of which is required by law (ASEAC).

School Board Standing Committees	Alignment to 2024-30 Strategic Plan Priorities
Advisory Council on Teaching & Learning (ACTL)	Student Academic Growth & Success
Advisory Council on School Facilities and Capital Programs (FAC)	Operational Excellence
Arlington Special Education Advisory Committee (ASEAC)	Student Academic Growth & Success
Budget Advisory Council (BAC)	Operational Excellence
School Health Advisory Board (SHAB)	Student Well-Being
Joint County Board and School Board Advisory Committees	Alignment to 2024-30 Strategic Plan Priorities
Joint Facilities Advisory Commission (JFAC)	Operational Excellence
Joint Committee on Transportation Choices (JCTC)	Operational Excellence
Arlington Partnership for Children, Youth & Families (APCYF)	Student Well-Being

- ACTL is made up of **40-50 individuals** with **representatives from each school** and certain community organizations
- They review system-wide **curriculum** and **instructional programs** and develop recommendations for improvement.
- **14 content and/or program area subcommittees** that report to the Advisory Council at least annually



Challenges

- Existing advisory bodies sometimes operating in siloes on issues that cross multiple advisory bodies
- Desire for parent/community input and recommendations to be informed by APS staff expertise, and vice versa
- Advisory bodies sometimes working on issues that are not a high priority for the School Board or well-aligned with strategic plan which creates frustration among some volunteer advisory council members that recommendations aren't immediately acted upon.

Opportunities

- New strategic plan offers an opportunity to better align the work of the Advisory Councils with the priorities and performance objectives in the 2024-30 Strategic Plan
- Support continuous improvement efforts in alignment with the Strategic Plan



Revised APS School Board Advisory Committee Structure (DRAFT – Under Consideration)

Proposed Process

To consider revisions to the current APS School
Board Advisory Committee Structure

Application &
Appointment of
Working Group
(October 2024)

Develop
recommendation
on revised SB
advisory
committee
structure
(November 2024
– February 2025)

Amend SB
Policy 3.6.30
(February –
May 2025)

Implement
revised School
Board advisory
committee
structure
(SY 2025-26)

Timeline – SY 2024-25 (with Working Group)

October	Nov-Feb	March	April - May	June	Summer 2025
Appoint Working Group	Working Group Meetings	Community Engagement	Work Group Meetings & Policy Review Team	School Board Info & Action	Application & formation of committee's
<p>Application Window:</p> <p>October 4-20</p> <p>Appointment:</p> <p>October 29 SB Meeting</p>	<p>Monthly Meetings to develop proposed structure for School Board Advisory Committees & revisions to Policy B-3.6.30</p>	<p>Mar 14 – Apr 13</p> <p>30 day public comment on policy revision & gather feedback prop osed SB Advisory Committee structure</p>	<p>Finalize recommendation on SB Advisory Committee structure and revisions to Policy B-3.6.30</p>	<p>Revisions to Policy B-3.6.30 presented for Information & Action</p>	<p>Application process and formation or new advisory committees</p>

Timeline – SY 2024-25 (No working group)

October	Nov-Jan	March	April-May	July	Summer 2025
Finalize proposed SB advisory committee structure	Stakeholder Feedback	Community Engagement	Policy Review Team	School Board Info & Action	Application & formation of committees
Internal work between APS Staff and School Board to develop proposed revisions to the Advisory Committee structure that is shared out for feedback	Gather feedback on proposed revisions to the School Board Advisory Committees Staff finalize recommendation and revisions to Policy B-3.6.30	Mar 14 – Apr 13 30 day public comment on policy revision	Finalize revisions to Policy B-3.6.30	Revisions to Policy B-3.6.30 presented for Information & Action	Application process and formation of new advisory committees



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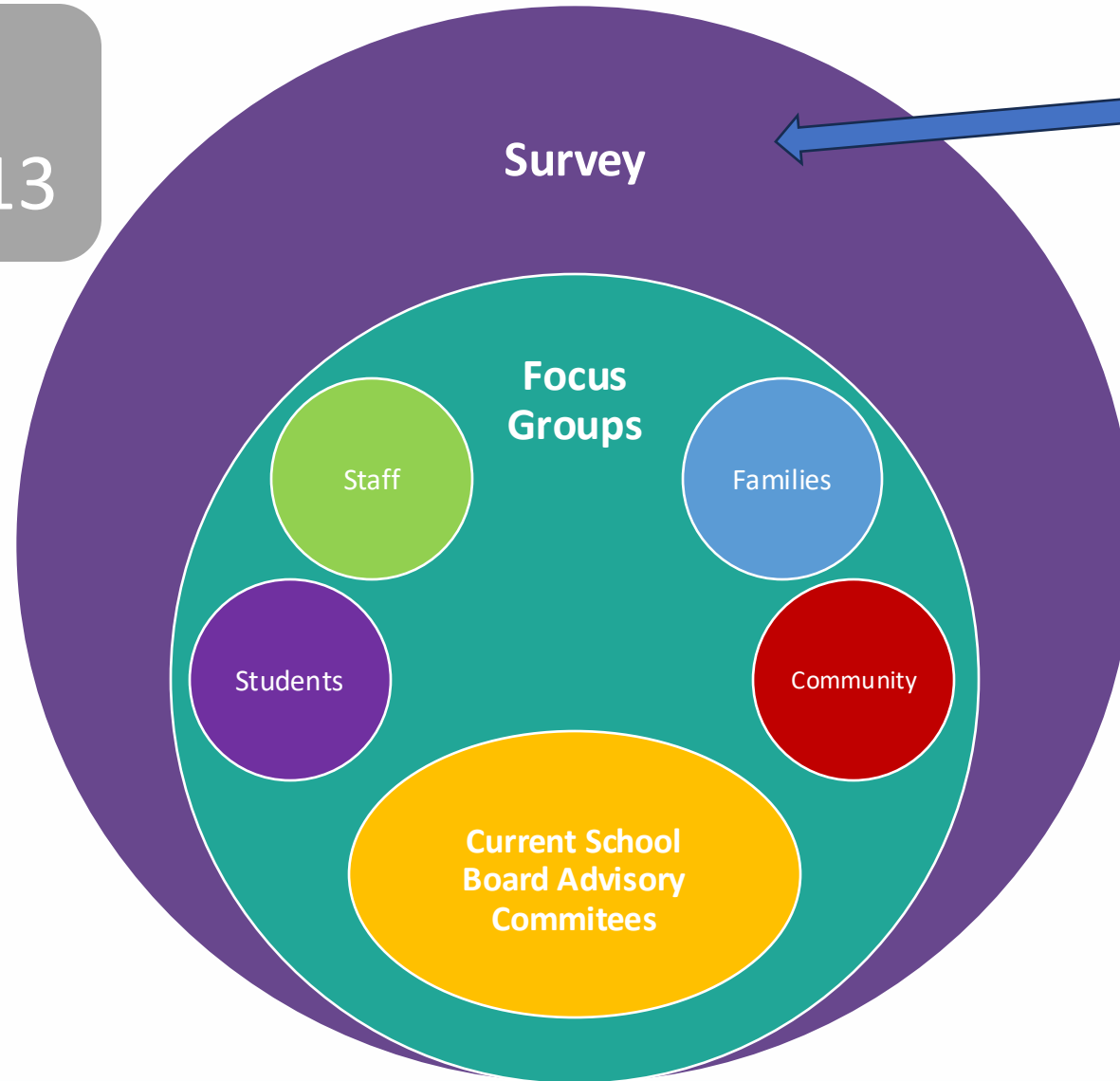
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Magnitude of Reach



Dates:

March 14 – April 13



As part of the
required 30 day
public comment
period for policy
revisions

Sept - October

- Finalize timeline and process for developing and gathering feedback to the proposed revisions to School Board Advisory Committee structure

Topic for Discussion

Details

Proposed new structure

- Advisory Councils aligned to Strategic Plan Priorities
- Advisory Council for Student Centered Workforce?
- Membership composition of Advisory Councils

Working Group to lead revision work

- Should a working group be established?
- Composition
- Application & selection process
- Scope of work for working group

Proposed timeline to complete work

- Does the board desire to implement proposed changes to structure in 2025-26 OR 2026-27?

Community Engagement process

- Are there any adjustments for staff to consider regarding the proposed process for gathering stakeholder feedback

Appendix

Arlington	Alexandria	Falls Church	Fairfax
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advisory Council on Teaching & Learning Instruction (ACTL) • Advisory Council on School Facilities and Capital Programs (FAC) • Special Education Advisory Committee (ASEAC) • Budget Advisory Committee (BAC) • School Health Advisory Board (SHAB) • Joint Facilities Advisory Commission (JFAC) • Advisory Committee on Transportation Choices (ACTC) • Arlington Partnership for Children, Youth & Families (APCYF) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advanced Academic Services • Athletic Hall of Fame • Budget Advisory Committee • Career & Technical Education • School Health • Special Education • Joint City Council-School Board 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administrative Employee (AEAC) • Business in Education Partnership • English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Advisory Committee • Extended Day Care Advisory Board • Health and Wellness Advisory Committee • Gifted Education Advisory Committee • Professional Employees Advisory Committee (PEAC) • Special Education Advisory Committee • Support Employees Advisory Committee (SEAC) • Title I Parent Advisory Committee 	<p>Standing Committees (5)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Audit Committee • Budget Committee • Comprehensive Planning Development Committee • Governance Committee • Public Engagement Committee <p>Community Advisory Committees (10)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adult and Community Education • Advanced Academic Programs • Advisory Committee for Students with Disabilities • Career and Technical Education • Facilities Planning Advisory Committee • Family Life Education Advisory Committee • Human Resources Advisory Committee • Minority Student Achievement Oversight Committee (MSAOC) • School Health Advisory Committee, • Title I Parent Advisory Committee

Arlington	Loudoun	Prince William	Prince George
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advisory Council on Teaching & Learning Instruction (ACTL) Advisory Council on School Facilities and Capital Programs (FAC) Special Education Advisory Committee (ASEAC) Budget Advisory Committee (BAC) School Health Advisory Board (SHAB) Joint Facilities Advisory Commission (JFAC) Advisory Committee on Transportation Choices (ACTC) Arlington Partnership for Children, Youth & Families (APCYF) 	<p>Standing Committees (8)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum & Instruction Finance & Operations Human Resources & Talent Development Joint Committee with Board of Supervisors Legislative, Audit, Policy Student Services Specialized Programs Student Behavior & Accountability <p>Select Committees (1)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Equity Committee <p>Other Committees (10)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CTE, Gifted, Minority Achievement, School Health, Special Education, etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joint Audit Internal Audit Head Start School Health Safe Schools Disciplinary Special Education Advisory Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Academic Achievement Policy & Governance Board Audit Operations, Budget, Fiscal Affairs

Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools	East Lansing Public Schools	Middleton-Cross Plains Area School District	Princeton Public Schools	School District of South Orange & Maplewood
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finance, Facilities & Operations Committee • Policy Committee • Student Success Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Academic and Technology • Finance Committee • Personnel Committee • Facilities Committee • Intergovernmental Committee • Policy Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teaching and Learning • Policy • Legislative and Community Engagement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equity • Operations • Personnel • Policy • Long-term Planning • Student Achievement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personnel • Finance • Curriculum & Instruction • Policy

- The national review focused on a sampling of school divisions in the Minority Student Achievement Network (MSAN), a national coalition of multiracial school districts that APS is a member of.
- MSAN districts have student populations between 3,000 and 33,000 and are most often located in first-ring suburbs or small/mid-size cities.

Stevens Point Area Public School District	Waunakee Community School District	Farmington Public Schools
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Educational Services • Business Services • Policy and Legislation • Human Resources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goals/Objectives • Budget • Policy • Curriculum • Co-Curricular • Human Resources • Facilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication/Community Engagement • Finance/Facilities • Policy/Board Governance <p>Strategic Planning Committees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative Professional Learning that Supports Equity and Innovation • Culture of Equity and Innovation • Health & Wellness through Social and Emotional Learning • Innovation for Teaching and Learning