

**Virginia Board of Education  
Student Advisory Committee  
Minutes: February 24, 2004**

Students in Attendance: Natalie Baird, Sterling Middle School; Elana Bloomfield, Albemarle HS; Lawren Collins, Lake Taylor Middle School; Maggie Graham, Marion Middle School; Rachel Gutauskas, Buford Middle School; Andrew McCormack, Osbourn Park HS; Sarah Romers, Varina HS; Rajiv Srinivasan, Hidden Valley HS; Sandy Su, York HS; Blake Waller, Halifax HS; Paige Wigginton, Pulaski HS; Isaiah Wilson, Brooke Point HS

Staff in Attendance: Michelle Parker, Melissa Velazquez, Cynthia Cave

Board Members in Attendance: Mr. Thomas Jackson, President, Susan Genovese, Vice President

Speakers from the Virginia Department of Education presented information to the Student Advisory Committee regarding the three issues that were selected for this year. Dr. Alveta Sutton, Student Services Specialist, spoke on Multi-Cultural Education and Diversity; Mrs. Patty Pitts, Director of Teacher Licensure, spoke on Teacher Quality; and Dr. Sylinda Gilchrist, School Guidance Specialist for Guidance, spoke on School Guidance Programs.

After lunch, the Student Advisory Committee convened in their three work groups to discuss the research they had done since the December meeting and the information that had been presented in the morning, and to develop a brief statement for presentation to the Board of Education at its meeting on Wednesday, February 25, 2004.

The whole group then convened to hear each work group's proposed statement for the Board.

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 27, 2004.