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Upcoming Meetings
General Board Meeting
Wednesday, July 8, 2020 10:00 a.m.

5:30 pm 1. Motion to Enter Closed Session
1.01 Agenda

7:00 pm 2. Opening/Recognition
2.01 Invocation
2.02 Pledge of Allegiance
2.03 Approval of the Minutes
2.04 Establish Agenda Order
2.05 President’s Update
2.06 Superintendent’s Update
2.07 Recognitions

2.08 Educator of the Month
2.09 Employee of the Month
2.10 Volunteer of the Month
2.11 CRASC Report
2.12 PTA Report
2.13 CAC Report
2.14 Policy Committee Update
2.15 Budget Committee Update

3. Public Comment
To ensure the opportunity for public input during the public portion of the meeting, the Board will accept written public comment for those items that appear on the agenda. Such comment can be sent via email to BoardOffice@aacps.org or dropped off at the Parham Building, located at 2644 Riva Road in Annapolis, by noon on Tuesday, June 16, 2020. Testimony on agenda items must be 250 words or less and must include the name and community of residence of the author as well as any pertinent group affiliation. Testimony will be compiled and provided to Board members prior to the start of the meeting. It will also be posted online at www.aacps.org/boardtestimony. During the meeting, the Board and the public will be apprised of how many comments were received for each agenda item. Concerns that are confidential, such as student-specific and personnel issues, cannot be published as part of public testimony. Testimony that exceeds the 250-word limit will be trimmed to meet the criteria before being posted online. However, the full version will be provided to Board. Testimony on topics not on the agenda can be submitted under the same criteria as above and will also be posted online.

8:30 pm 4. Action Items
4.01 Fiscal Year 2021 Operating Budget Adoption
4.02 Fiscal Year 2021 Capital Budget Adoption
4.03 Terms of Employment for Unit I Employees
4.04 Terms of Employment for Unit II Employees
4.05 Terms of Employment for Unit III Employees
4.06 Negotiated Agreement between the Board of Education and the Secretaries & Assistants Association of Anne Arundel County (SAAAC)
4.07 Terms of Employment for Unit V Employees
4.08 Terms of Employment for VI Employees
4.09 Administrative Personnel Appointments
4.10 2020 Educational Facilities Master Plan
4.11 Chesapeake High School – Cell Tower Project (R)

10:00 pm 5. Consent – Award of Contracts
5.01 Architectural, Engineering, Design, and Construction Administration Services - Classroom Additions and Security Vestibule at Meade Heights ES
5.02 Architectural, Engineering, Design, and Construction Administration Services - Masonry Restoration at Shady Side ES

Key: (I) Information (A) Action (R) Review

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### 10:30 pm
- 5.03 Asphalt Paving and Reconstruction
- 5.04 Facilities Management Products and Solutions
- 5.05 Facilities MRO and Industrial Supplies
- 5.06 Health Suite Renovation - Maryland City ES
- 5.07 Office Supplies – Rudolphs Supply
- 5.08 Office Supplies – W.B. Mason Co. Inc.
- 5.09 Security Vestibules – Brooklyn Park ES and Hilltop ES
- 5.10 Board Counsel Contract
- 5.11 Avaya Telephone Hardware, Software, and Technical Support

### 12:15 am
- 6. Motion to Close Session (if needed)
The following testimony was submitted for the June 17, 2020, meeting of the Board of Education. The “…” designation indicates the cutoff of testimony due to it exceeding the word the limit. The full version of such testimony has been provided to the Board.

TESTIMONY SUBMITTED FOR ITEM 3, Public Comment

1. Good evening Dr. Arlotto, President Corkadel, Vice President Ellis, and Board Members,

My name is Holly Kleiderlein and I am the School Counselor for 719 students at Oak Hill Elementary. I am very happy to say I will not be the only School Counselor at Oak Hill next year: thank you very much for that!

Last year Dr. Arlotto launched the Mental Health Task Force and the original timeline was for a final report to be presented to the Board in May 2020. I empathize with the difficulty of continuing that work once the COVID-19 pandemic shut down schools. However, I believe it is critical to learn the findings of the Task Force and apply them for the 2020-2021 school year. The combination of school closings, the spread of a disease, and the protests and demonstrations in support of Black Lives Matter should heighten the need for social, emotional, and behavioral supports for students for the coming school year.

Please update our community on the results of the Task Force and plans to continue their work.

Holly Kleiderlein, NBCT
School Counselor

TESTIMONY SUBMITTED FOR ITEM 4.01, Fiscal Year 2021 Operating Budget Adoption

1. Dear Board of Education,

Five years ago, for Fiscal Year 2016, the County Council funded the purchase of transportation software, believing it was a necessary step towards the healthy and safe school hours they outlined in Resolution 6-15 and to improve hand drawn bus routes.

Last week, despite the fiscal uncertainty facing the County with the pandemic, the County Council again increased transportation funding by restoring the seven transportation positions. The County Council views these seven positions as instrumental in implementing all of the recommendations from Prismatic Services and improving the bus routes that are still essentially done by hand. Now it is up to AACPS to hire competent and capable people who will fully utilize the routing software.

Transportation is how many of Anne Arundel's students start and end their day, yet AACPS's transportation system has languished for years because something else was always a higher priority. Let us use this significant staffing investment by the County Council this year (and in 2015), to realize the goals for a better transportation system outlined by Prismatic's report.

Thank you,
TESTIMONY SUBMITTED FOR ITEM 4.11, Chesapeake High School – Cell Tower Project

1. Please consider the health and well-being of the children you have under your care and vote no on the cell tower project for Chesapeake Bay Middle School and Chesapeake High School. We are concerned that it would negatively affect the growing and developing of our grandchildren attending the schools.
   Thank you,
   Joe and Eleanor Schissler

2. To Anne Arundel County School Board Members,

Please vote YES to approve a cell tower installation at Chesapeake High School. Now more than ever, students and residents strongly need the ability to be connected. The State of Maryland has not made a decision on what the 2020-2021 school year will look like, and it’s very likely students will have to attend school virtually this Fall. The County diligently looked into the best places throughout Anne Arundel County for cell tower installation and found that Chesapeake High School would expand network capability and reach the most people. It is imperative that you approve this tower so students in the area are not at a disadvantage come Fall.

Moreover, this will help all of the residents who live within range of the proposed tower. Most people who are able to work from home are doing so, including myself, so this is necessary for them to continue to work from home to combat COVID-19. This will also help serve those who need connectivity for telehealth appointments. Many doctors are strongly encouraging patients to use telehealth when appropriate to maintain good health by not missing appointments, and staying home to continue to stifle the spread of the virus.

Thank you kindly for your attention to this important matter.

Best,
Rachel Clark
Severna Park

3. My name is Ed Gosselin and live in Anne Arundel County. I am a commercial real estate developer and have a project in the Chesapeake area. I am writing in support of the wireless tower at Chesapeake High School.

I support the tower because the wireless service is poor in the area and this added tower will help make service better. Given the current online learning condition this tower will increase capacity giving students a better learning experience. I do not feel there is a safety risk to the tower and will better serve the community for emergency communication needs. Thank you for your consideration and support for the tower.

Ed Gosselin
4. I’m the parent of a child in the Chesapeake High School feeder system and I support the proposed cell tower at CHS. Our community desperately needs better coverage and it’s a great source of new income for the school.

Best regards,
Dan Rieth

5. PLEASE SUPPORT THE CHS CELL TOWER

I’m the parent of a child in the Chesapeake High School feeder system and I support the proposed cell tower at CHS - I love in Brekenridge off of Lake Shore. Our community desperately needs better coverage, it’s proven to be of no risk and it’s a great source of new income for the school.

Thank you,
Eric Gleed

6. I live in the community right next to the CHS school complex in the neighborhood Cedarwood Cove. I’ve lived here for 25 years and all three of my children have attended CHS. I am for the cellphone tower. We desperately need it. With everyone depending on cellphone service now instead of landlines having good reception is necessary. Our service right now is poor. I have to stand outside in my yard to even get a signal. Please let this 5G tower be built. There is no danger in it and we need better service on the peninsula. Thank you Terry Brunner

7. To whom it may concern,

I am a resident in Pasadena, MD with 3 children who will attend CBMS/CHS. We live down Lake Shore Dr. We are in favor of having the cell tower. There is no scientific proof that cell towers are harmful. We need the coverage in that area and the income will be very helpful.

Please vote yes for the cell tower at CHS.

Thank you,
Karla Trettel

8. President Corkadel, Vice President Ellis, Board members and Dr. Arlotto. Thank you for the extension that was granted at the May 20th Board meeting on the CHS cell tower! Many members of our community appreciate that you have given us more time to address this issue.

In response to the concerns by the Lake Shore Community, Councilman Volke has proposed a bill, the hearing for which has been set for July 20, 2020. This proposed bill (53-20) states:

THE DEVELOPER OF A SMALL CELL SYSTEM PROPOSED TO BE LOCATED WITHIN 250 FEET OF THE LOT LINE OF COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTY OR THE LOT LINE OF A PROPERTY USED FOR A PUBLIC SCHOOL SHALL PROVIDE A TECHNICAL ANALYSIS CERTIFIED BY A REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER DEMONSTRATING TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE COUNTY THAT THE PROPOSED PLACEMENT IS
ESSENTIAL TO THE FUNCTIONALITY OF THE CELLULAR NETWORK AND THERE ARE NO REASONABLE ALTERNATIVE LOCATIONS FOR THE SYSTEM.

I ask that you wait until the conclusion of the July 20th hearing to proceed on the vote of the CHS cell tower.

Another concern I would like to mention is the announcement made by Kennedy Krieger on June 11th stating that they will be unable to hold any on-site instruction for the summer session. Dr. Arlotto stated in a previous meeting that meeting the needs of our students in special education programs is foremost in everyone’s mind as we move forward. I sincerely thank you for relaying that this is a priority and I hope that even with this recent announcement, there might be some way for our students to get the instruction that they require...

Corine Frank  
Bodkin Parent

9. I support building the new Cell Tower that is proposed for Chesapeake High School.  
Janice C. Garahy  
Pasadena

10. Dear Board Office,  

My name is Jonathan Redding and I live in Anne Arundel County. I am writing in support of the wireless tower at Chesapeake HS. This site will serve a public campus with three schools (elementary, middle, and high), a major road that carries traffic in and out of the peninsula, and hundreds of residents in the immediate area. This will be a great benefit to the area. For those who have concerns of the tower standing out, the tower will be located in the center of a large (100+ acres) public parcel, located next to several tall football stadium lights, making this the best setting in the community for this type of project. In addition, the site will be built at no cost to the school or county, and revenue generated by the tower will be shared with the school system.

Please consider the above reasons to allow for this tower to be built. Thank you.

Jonathan Redding

11. To whom it may concern,  

My name is Jennifer Fath and I live in the community of Ventnor, less than a mile from CHS. I also have nephews who attend Bodkin Elementary and a niece who attends CBMS. I am opposed to the 5G tower being installed on school grounds. It is outrageous to me that with so little data on the health effects that you would be okay with exposing our community and the school-age youth to this. Some of them will be exposed for 10+ years and those who live near, for our whole lives!!!!

Please, please do not allow this.

Thank you for your time,  
Jennifer Fath
12. My name is JON VOLPE. I live in PASADENA MD / LAKE SHORE.

I am writing in support of the wireless tower at Chesapeake HS.

I moved to Pasadena going on year 7 this August, my cell signal is almost non existent, it is so bad that if I need to make voice calls I need to walk out of my house and up the street to get a signal. I am currently paying extra through Broadstripe to add a voice line to our service in order to make voice calls. This was extremely challenging during the COVID-19 crisis when attempting to work from home (received work calls and needed to go out into street to take them).

13. As a parent of two students at Bodkin Elementary who will be also attending Chesapeake Bay Middle and Chesapeake High School, I am AGAINST the cell phone tower on Chesapeake High School Campus. Our job as educators and parents is to keep our children safe, not to put their health in jeopardy to make money from a cell tower on a school campus. There are NO guarantees that this is safe for children and staff to be around for prolonged periods of time. Bodkin Elementary students will be exposed to this for 13 YEARS as they attend school on all three campuses! That is unacceptable! We should not be risking their health for the school system to be making money. In a time where we are all staying home to stay safe from a virus, we should not be considering putting a cell phone tower on campus for them to return to. How will you feel when the first student or staff member gets sick with cancer or some other illness as a result? What about if they die? Is the money you would receive from this cell tower worth one life or even more? Long term health problems and male infertility are a real possibility and there is NO guarantee that any expert can give to tell us nothing will happen. AACPS will have NO control to turn off this radiation or take down this cell tower once it is constructed. What are we putting our children and faculty’s health in Milestone’s hands?....

Michelle Semanoff

Bodkin Elementary Parent and Concerned Citizen

14. Good Morning,

My name is Joo Choe and I live in Anne Arundel County. I frequently travel through Chesapeake to visit friends. I am writing in support of the wireless tower at Chesapeake HS. When I am in the area, the wireless service is poor. The current level of service is inadequate as my calls get dropped/calls are often hard to make. Moreover, I am worried that in the event of emergency situations, service would not be reliable enough to make contact with emergency personnel. This tower would drastically improve these issues. In addition, this site would be built at zero cost to the school or county. The revenue generated would be shared with the school system. The exposure to radiofrequency energy at ground level is negligible, typically 100 to 1000 times below FCC safety limits. Public agencies (WHO, FDA, American Cancer Society) all agree that this amount of exposure is not a cause for concern nor is harmful to health. I am asking that you approve of this build as it would be beneficial to our public all around.

Thank you,
Joo Choe
15. As a first grader at Bodkin Elementary, I think the cell phone tower should not be at CHS. The cell phone tower should not be there because they can get CANCER and that is not fun. A child or an adult could die from cancer. You should not put it there because there are so many people who go there.

A first grade student
Eliana Smanoff

16. Members of the Board,

My name is Dawn Zebron, I am a parent of Chesapeake High School student and resident of the Pasadena community. I am opposed to a cell tower on our school grounds and you should be too. Heres why:

Per Milestone’s meeting minutes,
1. AACPS has NO control of this tower, cannot turn it off or take it down. It will take a federal directive to do this.
2. The tower is constructed with current 4g technology but with full capabilities of 5g and other services when they “become commercially available”, (6g, 10g, 20g etc) and whatever consequences that may bring in the future. (No aacps approval required).
3. The service need in the community was determined prior to the newly added tower at the Lakeshore Plaza that has increased service down Mountain Rd.
4. There are three schools pre k-12th with over 3,000 students and staff on the Chesapeake campus daily. Why put them at a potential risk? Can’t this tower be placed somewhere where there is not this number of people daily? Library? Loopers Field? Downs Park? BGE substation?

Our County Councilman heard our community plea and has introduced Bill No. 53-20 for public hearing 20 July. I am requesting this board not move forward with this project until all alternative locations are reviewed and determined unreasonable by the county.

17. I am sending this email to you as we are in favor of a cell tower being placed at Chesapeake High School. In this area the cell service in not good. We are located in Green Haven.

Thank you,
Dawn Miller

18. I live in bayside beach and I favor the caller tower to be put up near Chesapeake high school.
   Natalie Miller
19. Dear Members of the Board,

Please give thoughtful consideration to the placement of a tower at Chesapeake High School. This tower will raise money for the school and will provide much needed cell coverage in the area. We all need to be connected now more than ever. The greater Anne Arundel County community and my family included will thank you for this seeing this project to fruition.

Molly Evans, Crofton

20. I support this tower. Those who oppose it are just not informed and don't understand how this works. There is more risk from your cell phone than a tower.

I am a mentor on the robotics team at the high school and we would benefit tremendously from the coverage.

I think promoting an education campaign instead of letting these stop 5g and cell tower groups misinform parents and create fear. I have worked in RF for 26 years. Worked with freqs from 400mHz to 15gHz high and low power. No issues because it is all non ionizing radiation.

www.emfexplained.info

Thanks

Jason Loughrey
Former parent
Current Robotics Mentor at CHS Team 2377

21. The FCC has sole jurisdiction over the regulation of electromagnetic fields. The FCC guidelines for operating wireless networks are based on the recommendations of several national and international health and safety agencies. In December 2019, the FCC issued a revised policy on RF exposure.

The FCC has reaffirmed the existing exposure limits are more than sufficient for the diverse makeup of demographics including children and the current/next generation future deployment of lower power 4G and 5G wireless networks. It is my opinion that too much misinformation is circulating regarding possible health effects from wireless antenna emissions. There are conspiracy theories that even suggest 5G may be responsible for the Coronavirus. The World Health Organization states that no evidence of adverse health impacts exists from 5G or any other wireless technology.

The low power which these facilities operate and the substantial horizontal and vertical separation of the antennas from the school facilities should not be any basis for concern. RF energy has existed for over 100 years while cell towers have existed for 36 years. The highest exposure near base stations is typically less than 1/1000th of the exposure limits. There is no accepted science that indicates there is a risk from low levels of RF exposure.
Milestone hires third party engineers to perform annual monitoring of antenna structures on school grounds. These measurements are performed at every accessible indoor and outdoor location. The results always fall substantially below the federal guidelines.

Paul Dugan, P.E.
Millennium Engineering, P.C.

22. I am writing to provide some additional information on the Anne Arundel County requirements for Commercial Telecommunication Facilities on school properties.

Commercial Telecommunication Facilities are subject to Anne Arundel County Special Exception requirements, which are listed in Code Section § 18-11-117.

The County requires the applicant to provide the following information with regards to existing and alternative sites:

- a sworn statement that all potential commercially zoned sites within 2,500’ have been exhausted (§ 18-11-117-4)

- a sworn statement that all attempts to co-locate on the 5 closest facilities have been exhausted (§18-11-117-5)

This information is submitted to the County at the time of its Site Development Plan application.

For Chesapeake HS compliance with these requirements:

- § 18-11-117-4: there are five (5) commercially-zoned properties within 2,500’ of the property. Verizon has provided an affidavit that none of these sites are feasible, due to their proximity to existing Verizon sites or their inability to meet the required setbacks from residentially zoned, -owned, or -occupied properties.

- § 18-11-117-5: Verizon has provided an affidavit that they are currently installed on or in close proximity to the five closest facilities, and are not viable for co-location.

There is no County requirement to review or exhaust public properties.

Questions were raised at the community meeting regarding placement at Lake Shore Fire Station and Downs Park. Both sites would not meet Verizon’s coverage objective, as they are significantly closer to existing on-air Verizon sites.

Matt Penning

Milestone Communications
This is Julia Howes, parent of a AACPS Student. I am in support of the Chesapeake HS Cell Tower project. I want to remind everyone of the previous statements made on May 20, 2020 during the board meeting regarding previous cell tower projects:

Ms. Antwine - I am in support of lifting this pause. Milestone and our public school system have had a contract in place since 2012 and based on the information we have received since 2018 although there are definite health concerns proven or unproven ours schools have had these cell phone towers on them through this relationship outside of the control realistically of the current board. I will not be in support of any extensions in 2022 because of the blessing of being telecommunications since 1994 I know that there are alternatives to all of this and a lot of the controversy could most certainly have been avoided. But (umm) for us to disregard all the work, the effort, the money and all the otherwise that has been put into place, the best thing for us to do is to move forward with the agreement, then make better considerations and better decisions in 2022.

Mr. Gilleland - I agree whole heartedly with what Ms. Antwine said, and her rationale.

Ms. Alvi - I’ll start by saying this is a very difficult decision to make and I appreciate all the public comment and how it really showed the various perspectives of such a complex issue. I also understand that unlike my colleagues, I haven’t been involved in this controversial issue for as long as you all have....

Thank you,

Julia Howes