

Wellness Council Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, October 24, 2023  
Anne Arundel County Public Schools  
Arundel High School

Attendees:

Jodi Risse	Christiana Walsh	Tia Hyatt-Coe
Haydee Traver	Alba Morales	Aleena Malik
Alexis McKay	Alicia Cuddihee	Amy Falls
Carrie Foye	Cynthia Bischoff	Cynthia Smith
Isha Alson	Jayne Hudson	Jennifer Lombardi
Jocelyn Potts	Kim Winterbottom	Maharlika Kaminski
Melanie Parker	Rachel Kennelly	Monique Jackson
Ryan Voegtlin	Shirlette Boysaw	Kelly Koorey
Michelle Boone	Gina Davenport	



Welcome, Introductions

Ms. Monique Jackson

[Review Agenda](#)

Ms. Jodi Risse



**Updates:**

**School Wellness Highlights**

[High School Update Highlight Slides](#) - October

Ms. Rachel Kennelly

[Middle School Highlights](#) - October

Ms. Kimberly Winterbottom

[Elementary Highlights](#) - October

Ms. Alexis McKay

[Developmental Centers Highlights](#) – October

Ms. Jayne Hudson

[Early Education Centers Highlights](#) – October

Ms. Shirlette Boysaw

**Council Announcements**

Council Members

- **National Principal of the Year Recognition**
  - Kim Winterbottom, Marley Middle School – [Middle School National Principal of the Year](#)
- **Maryland State Teacher of the Year Recognition**
  - Mary Kay Connerton – [Annapolis High School, Wellness Coordinator](#)
- **Maryland Dance Education Association (MDEA) Dance Recognitions**

- Andy Moede, Old Mill High School's Business Manager – [Friend of Dance Award](#)
- Tony Jackson – [Dance Education Teacher of the Year](#)
- **Shape Maryland Convention Award Recognitions**  
2023 Shape of Maryland Conference hosted by AACPS (Anne Arundel County Public Schools) at Old Mill High School, October 21, 2023
  - Nicholas Klug – Presidential Citation Award
  - Melanie Parker & Heather McCarthy – Friend of Shape MD Winners
  - Sarah Degler, Casey Farrell, Shannon Kelly, Adam Bellarin, Sheronne Vails, Pete Ludlam – Simon McNeely Award Winners
- [AACPS County Championship Showcase](#) - Dr. Bedell was so impressed with the sense of comradery at the county wide cheer competition, he questioned - How can we replicate the cheer mentality in AACPS?
- October 23<sup>rd</sup> – AACPS Staff Wellness Launch – [Chirpy](#)
- Shout Out by Michelle Boone– [Family Involvement Conference](#) - Parents feedback was amazing, informative and parents learned a lot about wellness. The community was very appreciative.
- Harvest for the Hungry concludes October 31st. [Request for financial donations.](#)

### Professional Development

Ms. Isha Alston

#### [School Health Advisory Council Update](#)

- Immunization Compliance - Schools whose principals follow COMAR regulations withholding students from school is helping students become compliant faster. AACPS loses funding for each student not immunized. Exemptions – McKinny-Vento students and military students.
- [Med Sled/Evacu-Trac](#) – Used for evacuation purposes located at all schools from 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> floors..

### Subcommittee Updates

Ms. Jodi Risse, Ms. Christiana Walsh  
Gina Davenport and Wellness Team

- Wellness School of Distinction - [Arundel High School's Wellness Initiatives](#)
  - “Arundel is Student Center” - Gina Davenport
  - Introduction of the Wellness Team at Arundel High School
  - [School Tour](#)
  - For more footage follow AACPS Health Physical Education Dance on [Instagram](#)

### Feedback/Next Steps

Council Members

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**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, November 28, 2023  
Teams Meeting  
2:00-4:00 p.m.