

Meeting Agenda
Buckland Mills Elementary School Advisory Council

Date: October 14, 2025

Time: 5:45-6:22 pm

Staff Attendees

Ms. Odedra – Principal

Ms. Harrison – Assistant Principal

Mr. Hoffa – Assistant Principal

Ms. Hurt – Certified Staff Member for Grades K-2

Ms. Colley – Certified Staff Member for Grades 3-5

Ms. Ghafoori – Classified Staff Member and Parent Liaison

Council Members

- Chairman: Ms. Odedra
- Vice Chairperson: Mr. Oberoi
- Secretary: Ms. Harrison and Mr. Hoffa
- Timekeeper: Mr. Kryway
- Superintendent's Advisory Council: Ms. Rameez
- Staff Representatives:
 - Classified Staff Member: Ms. Ghafoori
 - Certified Staff Member for Grades K-2: Ms. Hurt
 - Certified Staff Member for Grades 3-5: Ms. Colley

Welcome & Introductions

- Reviewed SAC Members
- All council member positions have been filled.

Update from the Superintendent's Advisory Council

- Reviewed the Strategic Plan for Vision 2030.
 - Learning and Achievement for All
 - Safe Environment
 - Prepare our workforce for the above
 - Safe integration of AI
- Year 2 of implementation of the Virginia Literacy Act
- Currently in the 2nd year of the new math standards. Students will complete the Math Momentum assessment this year.
- Inquiry based learning to develop critical thinking skills in students
- Artificial Intelligence (AI)

Homework

- Shared the regulation about homework.
- A survey was sent out to parents to get their feedback surrounding homework.

- Recent parent newsletters have shared information about the purpose of homework and the breakdown based on each grade.
- Shared with parents that a bank of extension activities have been provided for families to use at home. These are posted on the grade level pages on the website. Families can access them by clicking on Class Pages and then scrolling to the bottom to click on Extension activities.

Community Questions

- How is classwork being sent home?
 - This depends on a variety of factors (grade level, amount of work on paper or workbooks for ELA and math).
 - PWCS has moved away from a lot of worksheets. Teachers are required to use High Quality Instructional Materials (HQIM).
 - Work will also come home on Fridays from the teacher.

Open Chair

- Feedback was given about the recent Back to School Nights.
- PWCS bus app – parents are still having difficulty with accessing the application. Transportation will be notified about this issue.

Next SAC Meeting

- 11/4/25
 - Meeting will be held via zoom at 5:45 pm