

## Education Advisory Committee Minutes

Date May 4, 2016

Attendees: Cobby Witherington, Hill Robinson, Cindy Wilson, Bob Riggs, Jim Kellen, Hank Burch, Brad Summersell, Diana Brewer, Kerry Flowers, Julia Summerlin

SUBJECT	DISCUSSION	ACTIONS
Meeting called to order at 4:30 pm Fairhope Library		Minutes approved
EAC review of Terms and Appointments	Diana proposed revising by-laws but discussion postponed.	
Akribos Presentation	EAC and Akribos stated that Fairhope really should strive to be solidly placed in top 5 not just lingering at bottom 10. Class size is not always predictor of success for students. Data is inconclusive which is why they did not discuss class size (hiring more teachers). Top ten schools put money at HS level. Top ten have a lot of locally funder units. Each school in feeder pattern getting suggestions in booklet specific to their school from Akribos. If City wants feedback on where the \$350k should go, Akribos has made that clear. They asked us to spend it a little differently than in the past. Their results are research-based with input from principals. Goal should be to focus and collaborate and then get to top ten and sustain it.	EAC will review materials and then reconvene to discuss how to present to City Council. Special meeting on May 11 at 4:30 will be held.
FY 15-16	This year was identified as transition year with money set aside but it may not be allocated this year. We are trying to align so that funding better suits schools academic year. This discussion was put off to focus on time spent with Akribos.	

Visitors: Stephanie Harrison, Angie Hall, Carol Broughton, James Watkins, Jenny Brazill, Tommie Conoway, Donna Farrell, Tonya Harrelson, Janice Kinard