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## MEMORANDUM

DATE:	June 15, 2011
TO:	Steve Koleszar, Chairman School Board Members
FROM:	Dr. Pamela Moran Division Superintendent

RE: Recommendation of Reconsideration Committee

Enclosed is the report concerning a Citizen's Request for Reconsideration of the book <u>A Study in Scarlet</u> by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle.

I have affirmed the committee's recommendation that <u>A Study in Scarlet</u> be removed from the 6<sup>th</sup> grade book list for Language Arts. In addition, I affirm the committee's decision that <u>A Study in Scarlet</u> shall remain in use in school media centers of the Albemarle County Public Schools.

Board Policy INC states that the Superintendent, upon receipt of the committee's recommendation, will review the complaint and the committee recommendations and forward the committee recommendations and her decision to the School Board. The decision of the Superintendent may be appealed to the School Board or be reconsidered by the Board, if it votes to do so. No material will be removed or restricted without the approval of the School Board. The decision of the Board will be final. A copy of the committee report and my decision are enclosed. A copy of the book is in the Clerk's office.

The complainant will receive a copy of my decision and the committee's report. The complainant may appeal the decision in writing to the School Board. Annie Kim, Senior Assistant County Attorney has received this report.