

**THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA
DIVERSITY COMMITTEE MEETING**

May 16, 2013

SUMMARY

Members Present:

Brendan Barry	Rev. Luc Harrigan	Charlie King
Rebecca Dahl	Douglas Harrison	Thomas Lauder
Michael DeGruccio	Jessica Abby Herthel	Francisco Vargas
Annette Gardiner	Jeanne Jusevic	Carlos Verney
Julian Gazzano		

Members Absent:

Andy Ansola	Kevin Love	Ernestine Price
Harve Brosten	Esther Mizell	Bryan Wilson
Susan Edwards		

Student Support Initiatives Staff: Michaelle Pope, Task-Assigned Executive Director; Terri Jones; Latricia Lauture

Diversity, Cultural Outreach & Prevention Staff: Amalio Nieves; Carolyn Salters; Marion Williams

Guests: Jack Gillies; Sharon Saphier Grad; Cinderella Ashley-Hill; Shevrin Jones; Bapthol Joseph

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Jusevic called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Verney inquired about the previously adopted motion, that the Committee form a Diversity Committee Bylaws Ad Hoc. **Ms. Jusevic** said her interpretation was that the Committee decided to allow **Ms. McDougle** to gather data, bring forward revised Bylaws and that she and **Mr. Barry** would meet to work on the Bylaws. **Ms. Dahl** said she believed consensus was reached, after said motion, that just **Ms. McDougle** and **Mr. Barry** would work together. **Mr. Verney** had a concern that the meeting was not properly noticed, as per Sunshine Law.

The agenda was adopted, as presented.

APPROVAL OF THE SUMMARY MINUTES

April 4, 2013 Summary Minutes were adopted, as distributed.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Ms. Jusevic spoke of topics recently discussed by the School Board, which are included in her chairperson's report. **Ms. Jusevic** reviewed items for upcoming Diversity Committee meeting agendas. She said members are welcomed to send suggestions for future agenda topics, to the Department, the Chair and the Vice-Chair. **Ms. Jusevic** said subcommittees may send requests for information or data to the Diversity Department.

VICE-CHAIR'S REPORT

Mr. Lauder waived his report in the interest of time.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Pope welcomed new member **Mr. Charlie King**. She congratulated and thanked the Site Visitation Subcommittee and staff on the seventeen school site visits conducted this school year. **Ms. Pope** discussed the make-up and tasks of the CCC Steering Committee. This Committee is comprised of District staff that are connected to the Conditions and Indicators of the CCC Settlement Agreement. The

CCC Steering Committee is in the process of preparing indicator revision recommendations, based on the conditions and current indicators, new statutes, new policies and national best practices. **Ms. Pope** said with the agreement of the Diversity Committee, she would like the CCC Steering Committee to bring forward the recommended indicator revisions, along with recommendations on how the indicators would be measured.

Ms. Pope said July 30, 2013 is the tentative date for the Diversity Committee to present their Report to the School Board. Policy 1.7 is scheduled to go before the Board on June 26th. Policy 1.7 governs all Committees that have School Board Appointees; discussion may include membership, quorum, bylaws, structure, and number of appointees.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Site Visitation Subcommittee

Ms. Dahl said nothing compares to seeing a school in person; data on paper does not compare. She said the site visit reports would become part of the Diversity Committee Annual Report. Discussion followed regarding: the Committee having a website to post reports, data, and pertinent information while adhering to Sunshine Law; what resources the Site Visitation subcommittee need for a smoother, timely process; the process of what happens after a site visit; and the possibility of having a brief narrative directly after a site visit. **Mr. DeGruccio** requested that the Committee be provided with a copy of the Diversity Committee Report, with the Site Visit Reports included.

Textbooks, Technology, Media Centers Subcommittee

Mr. Gazzano said the subcommittee received the 2010-2013 Broward Schools Educational Technology Plan. He requested that the Subcommittee receive Mr. Tony Hunter's new Technology Plan with the four new goals, for the June Subcommittee meeting. **Ms. Pope** said staff would complete an information request. **Mr. Gazzano** also requested information be provided to the Subcommittee on new indicators and standards regarding textbooks. **Ms. Pope** said, that it is the goal of the CCC Steering Committee, to provide revision recommendations on all the indicators. For more information on the E-rate plan see: http://eagenda3.broward.k12.fl.us/eAgenda/1932/54319/Files/detp_bd_wk_april_29_2013_v7.1_3.pdf

Indicators Revision Subcommittee

Mr. DeGruccio said he had previously distributed the Diversity Committee Indicator recommendations to the CCC Agreement Status Report. If members need a copy, they may contact **Ms. Marion Williams**. **Mr. DeGruccio** inquired about the CCC Steering Committee's Indicator revision recommendations. **Ms. Pope** said they would be provided prior to the next Committee Meeting. **Mr. DeGruccio** said the Subcommittee has worked on recommendations for Indicators 1, 2, 3 (partial), 4 and 5 (partial). He is planning on sending out this document prior to the next Diversity Committee meeting and requesting input from the Committee. **Mr. DeGruccio** thanked **Ms. Dahl** for all the work she does.

DIVERSITY COMMITTEE BYLAWS REVISION

Ms. Jusevic said each article will be brought forward as a motion: discussion would follow: then a vote taken. **Ms. Jusevic** said at the last general meeting the Committee voted to adopt, Article I, Name, adding the bold and underlined as follows: Diversity/**CCC Settlement Agreement** Committee.

Article II Object

Motion by **Mr. Gazzano**: "to adopt Article II, Object." Vote: 12-0

Article III Members

Motion by **Mr. Gazzano**: “to adopt Article III, Section 1, Membership.” Vote: 12-0

Motion by **Ms. Dahl**: “to adopt Article III, Section 2, Membership Appointments.” Vote: 10-0 (2 members had temporarily exited the room)

Motion by **Ms. Dahl**: “to adopt Article III, Section 3, Term of Membership, Resignation.”

Vote: 12-0

Motion by **Mr. Verney**: “that the Diversity Committee bring a recommendation forward to amend School Board Policy 1.7 that includes instances where individual board members’ terms are affected by their appointing school board member, members resignation or changes to the District boundaries that adversely affect board membership on given committees.” Vote: 12-0

Motion by **Mr. Gazzano**: “to adopt Article III, Section 4, Meeting Attendance, Removal.” Adopted by unanimous consent.

Motion by **Mr. Gazzano**: “to adopt Article III, Section 5, Training.” Vote: 12-0

Motion by **Ms. Gardiner**: “to adopt Article III, Section 6, Acceptance of Conditions of Membership.”

Vote: 12-0

Motion by **Mr. Lauder**: “to strike the word “actively.” Vote: 12-0

Motion by **Ms. Dahl**: “to remove Article III, Section 6 from the bylaws.” Vote: 8-5

Motion by **Ms. Dahl**: “to adopt Article III, Section 7, Voting.” Vote as written: 12-1

Motion by **Mr. Verney**: “to insert the word “physically” between the words “be and “present” and strike all the words after the word “vote.” Motion died for lack of a second.

Motion by **Mr. Verney**: “to strike all the words after the word “vote.” Motion died for lack of a second.

Article IV Officers

Motion by **Ms. Dahl**: “to adopt Article IV, Officers” Vote: 13-0. Discussion Followed.

Article IV, Section 1, Officers. Vote: 13-0

Article IV, Section 2, Officer Qualification. Committee discussed employees of the District serving as chairperson or vice-chairperson. Vote as written: 11-2

Motion by **Ms. Dahl**: “to add, after the word committee “**who has served on the committee for one year**” Vote: 5-8 Motion failed.

Article IV, Section 3, Elections. Vote as amended: 10-3

Motion by **Mr. DeGruccio**: “to add, after the word “call” “**or any other voting method, approved by the Committee, which is also listed in Robert’s Rules.**” Vote: 7-6 Motion passed.

Article IV, Section 4, Term of Office. Vote: 13-0

Article IV, Section 5, Vacancy in Office. Vote: 13-0

Article V Duties of Officers

Motion by **Mr. Verney**: “to adopt Article V, Duties of Officers.” Vote: 13-0. Discussion Followed.

Article V, Section 1, A-F, Duties of the Chairperson. Vote: 13-0

Article V, section 2, Duties of the Vice-Chairperson. Vote: 13-0

Article VI Meetings

Motion by **Mr. Verney**: “to adopt Article VI, Meetings.” Vote: 13-0. Discussion Followed.

Ms. Jusevic said the discussion of creating rules as stated in Article VI, section 9, Guests, line 140 will be added to Good of the Order on the agenda.

Article VI, Section 1, Regular Meetings

Article VI, Section 2, Special Meetings

Article VI, Section 3, Quorum

Article VI, Section 4, Chair Pro-tem

Article VI, Section 5, Parliamentarian

Article VI, Section 6, Voting

Article VI, Section 7, Vote Required

Article VI, Section 8, Minutes

Article VI, Section 9, Guests

Vote to approve Article VI Meetings, Sections 1-9, in its entirety, as written. Motion passed 13-0.

Motion “to extend the meeting by 7 minutes.” Motion passed 12-1.

Article VII Subcommittees

Motion by **Mr. Gazzano**: “to adopt Article VII Subcommittees.” Vote: 13-0. Discussion Followed.

Article VII, Section 1, Appointment, Term

Article VII, Section 2, Chairperson

Article VII, Section 3, Meetings

Article VII, Section 4, Quorum

Vote to approve Article VII Subcommittees, Sections 1-4, in its entirety, as written, 13-0.

Article VIII Parliamentary Authority

Motion by **Ms. Dahl**: “to adopt Article VIII Parliamentary Authority.” Vote: 13-0. Discussion Followed.

Vote to approved Article VIII Parliamentary Authority, in its entirety, as written, 13-0.

Article IX Amendment to the Bylaws

Motion by **Mr. Verney**: “to adopt Article IX, Amendment to the Bylaws, in its entirety, as written.” Adopted without discussion 13-0.

Motion by **Mr. Verney**: “to adopt the School Board of Broward County, Diversity Committee Bylaws, as amended.” Motion passed 13-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

**The next meeting is scheduled for June 6, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.,
in the Board Room, Kathleen C. Wright Administration Building.**

These minutes are summarized and were recorded at the May 16, 2013 Diversity Committee meeting. If any Committee member, or other interested party, would like more detailed information as to the contents of this summary, contact Student Support Initiatives at 754-321-2090.

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