

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING
August 16, 2023

Summary

Members Present

Geanny Ruiz
Nancy Fry
Nathan Cherson
Nethel Stephens
Ram Tewari

Members Absent

Elaine Engel
Matt Walters
Maya Gordon

STAFF PRESENT: Tom Albano, Coordinator, Marion Williams, Committee Liaison, Carlisa Russell, Instructional Facilitator, Equity, Diversity & School Climate; Latricia Lauture, Office Manager, School Counseling.

CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of the School Board of Broward County, Florida Human Relations Committee was held on Wednesday, August 16, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. at the Lauderdale Manors Administration Site. The meeting was called to order by Tom Albano at 4:22 p.m. A quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

By unanimous consent, all Diversity Committee minutes listed below were approved by the Committee. 11/16/22; 12/21/22; 01/18/23; 02/15/23; 03/15/23; 4/19/23; 5/17/23

PAST CHAIR'S REPORT

Mr. Albano read a report from Ms. Naima Khan-Ghany, Past Chair. **Mr. Albano** requested a copy of the letter be emailed to the members.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Albano reported on changing the Human Relations Committee meeting location; the members' roles and responsibilities; Social Emotional Learning (SEL); Equity Liaisons; Eid; and Human Relations Councils. He mentioned the annual conference; summer trainings; and various programs within the Equity, Diversity & School Climate Department and also the Calendar Committee.

ELECTION PROCESS

Ms. Williams briefly explained the election process. Discussion followed.

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMITTEE ORIENTATION

Carlisa Russell gave an overview of Polity 1.51 Human Relations Committee Composition which includes Human Relations Council Advisors and Human Relations Council Students. She also mentioned that all members must complete the Sunshine and Ethics Training before the second meeting. She requested that the certificate of completion be sent to Latricia Lauture. Discussion followed.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Mr. Albano on behalf of Ram Tewari is requesting to add 'Diwali' to the next month's agenda. Discussion followed.

MOTIONS:

A motion was made by Nethel Stephens, “I move to nominate Nancy Fry as a candidate for Chair of the Human Relations Committee.” Seconded by Ram Tewari. The motion was adopted.

A motion was made by Nathan Cherson, “I move to postpone the vote until the next meeting (Vote for Chair) Seconded by Nancy Fry. The motion was adopted.”

A motion was made by Nathan Cherson, “I move to postpone the vote for and nomination of vice-chair until the next meeting for the sense of equity.” The motion was adopted.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for
September 20, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. at
the Lauderdale Manors Administration Site