

Fairbanks North Star Borough School District

Diversity Committee

Regular Meeting

MEETING MINUTES

January 18, 2018

A. PRELIMINARIES

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Tanya Coty at 5:37 p.m. in the Board Conference Room of the FNSBSD Administrative Center at 520 Fifth Avenue.

2. Roll Call / Introductions

Members present:

Sharon McConnell
Maxine Dibert
Flora Roddy
Barbara Wiley
Carrie Bragonier
Jazzanne Gordon-Fretwell
Rose O'Hara-Jolley
Alyssa Quintyne
Ana Richards
Marilyn Russell
Ashley Strauch

Administrative support present:

Tanya Coty
Kristen Roberts

Members absent:

Jay Stebbins (Absent)
Tayler Alonzo-Taggart (Absent)
Brienne Gray (Absent)

Guest:

Tim Doran

3. Approval of Agenda

Flora Roddy made a motion to approve the agenda. Jazzanne Gordon-Fretwell seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

4. Approval of the Minutes

Minutes of the April 13, 2017 meeting were reviewed. Jazzanne Gordon-Fretwell made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Carrie Bragonier seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

5. Reports

Review of 2016-2017 Annual Report presented by Michelle Goodwin on the behalf of the Diversity Committee to the Board of Education.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

N/A

C. OLD BUSINESS

1. Topic: Consolidation

The committee worked on identifying the organizations that they are currently affiliated with or work with that could be of assistance in next year's "Faces of Fairbanks" project or any other community outreach and events. Ms. Tanya Coty gave an overview of the "Faces of Fairbanks". Discussions on diversity/cultural clubs in schools ensued. Written plan for "Faces of Fairbanks" and list of high school specific groups will be added to the April agenda.

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. Topic: Inspection of Upcoming Meeting Times and Dates

Ms. Tanya Coty provided an overview to the changes to the required meetings (e.g., monthly to quarterly). A decision to meet again on Thursday, April 12th at 5:30 p.m. was decided upon. SY2018-2019 meetings will begin in August, 2018.

2. Topic: Board of Education Resolutions

Ms. Marilyn Russell brought to the attention that there is not a resolution in which women are represented. Upon her suggestion, a group which included Carrie Bragoinier, Ashley Strauch, Jazzanne Gordon-Fretwell, and herself, would coordinate and compose an International Day of Women resolution to be presented to the Board of Education.

Ms. Alyssa Quintyne brought to the attention that there is not a resolution representing Pride Month for members of the LGBT community. A group which consisted of Alyssa Quintyne, Rose O'Hara-Jolley, and Sharon McConnell committed to working on a resolution for this proposition.

E. CLOSING COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Ms. Barbara Wiley contacted the other principals within the district to determine whether diversity/cultural clubs were in place in the schools.

F. ADJOURNMENT

Flora Roddy adjourned the meeting at 7:05 pm. Jazzanne Gordon-Fretwell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.