

2024 DEI Working Group Agenda/Meeting Notes

Date	October 2, 2024
Attendees	Marybeth Brust Jess DeLorenzo Marc Talbot Donna McGarrigle Michael Murphy Jen Simmons Saviz Safizadeh Meg Libby Mueller John Connaughton Dave Norman Lindsay Newton
Review of Leadership Norms	
Review of the June Meeting	See Agenda Notes June 5, 2025
Bring it to the table.	John discussed his PD work with the administrative team on communication and with teachers focused on strategies to facilitate difficult conversations in anticipation of a politically charged fall. The group asked for clarification of the School Committee Goals presented on 10/1. - It was suggested that those goals be reviewed using inclusive language. Members were also curious about Title IX changes and the Dighton Rehoboth policy presented at the School Committee. - Jess clarified the changes in Title IX - The Policy SubCommittee process was also reviewed. It was noted that the inclusive practices and curriculum materials we have discussed are being “seen” in what parents see at home, e.g., Identity Jar, All Students Belong Here messages and reading selections. There was curiosity about immigration and its impact on PPS and the presidential election's impact on our student body. We discussed normalizing conversations about race and cultural diversity and how best to support students carrying a greater load than others as members of a historically marginalized group. Next Meeting: 12/11@5:30 PM

