

LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Office of the Chief Operating Officer
Office of Human Relations, Diversity and Equity

COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS, DIVERSITY AND EQUITY

Thursday, August 13, 2015

**333 S. Beaudry Avenue, Blue Room, Room 122
Los Angeles, CA 90017**

Meeting Agenda

5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes June 2015
- IV. Commission Members Items
- V. Staff Reports
- VI. Discussion Items
 - a. Ethnic studies update
 - b. Human relations awards
 - c. Character education
- VII. Action items to be voted on:
 - a. Summer schedule
 - b. Dormant seats
- VIII. Chairperson's Report
- IX. Council Members Announcements
- X. Public Comment (2-minutes)
- XI. Review Action Items
- XII. Adjournment

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PRESENT

Abelsson, Mark	selected
Chiasson, Judy	staff
De La Rosa, Gary	City HRC
Fajardo, Joel	Ratliff (6)
Germaine Watts, Joyce	selected
Jacobs, Lloyd “Bud”	Superintendent
Reynolds, Dave	ADL
Wittig, Michele	Zimmer (4)

Tarrant, Karen	selected
Toma, Robin	LACoHRC
Train, Sara	Garcia (2)
Villasenor, Patricia	LA City HRC
Weldon, Floyd	AALA

ABSENT

Narcho, Charles	selected
Kim, Jung	ALT/AALA
LeMay, Beverly	selected
Slamon, Obie	Schmereslon (3)

VACANT

SEIU
UTLA
LACOE
Vladovic (7)
McKenna (1)
Rodriguez (5)

Quorum was not met. June minutes and July/August notes will be submitted for approval at the next meeting.

Record of conversation, not official minutes due to lack of quorum.

Obie Slamon will continue as representative for Board Member Scott Schmereslon.

Human Relations Award has approximately \$1200 in funds that cannot roll over to next year. Have purchased art supplies for distribution to six schools. Judy and Bud Jacobs will coordinate the delivery of the supplies.

Ethnic Studies

Allan Kakassy continues to share information regarding ethnic studies. According to Mr. Kakassy, the Office of Instruction has committed to the following:

- Evaluating / revising existing LAUSD A - G approved courses that may meet the Ethnic Studies subject requirements;
- Writing a one semester Ethnic Studies (Survey) course;
- Developing online Professional Development for all teachers of Ethnic Studies courses; and

- (Implied) Beginning to identify supporting instructional materials.

Ad hoc committee – Michele Wittig; Joyce Germaine-Watts; Dave Reynolds; Bud Jacobs; Gary de la Rosa –

The commission is proposing a *Day of Teaching Diverse Human Beings in Today's Classrooms* to build capacity for guarantee the success of the diverse students we teach. No commissioners complied with the request to send Gary 2 goals and 3 objectives from their specific areas of expertise as a “take away” for educators.

Resend the Cross-cultural encounters: Teaching diverse human beings in today's classrooms.

Action item: Schedule a Meeting Wizard for a conference call to all, including Allan Kakassy, for the last week of August. Topic: The process of developing a board resolution regarding ethnic studies. The conference call number will be provided upon confirmation of attendance.

Calendar

The meeting time will continue as 7-9 p.m. during the traditional school year.

Handouts:

- Draft July minutes
- August agenda
- Notes Cross-Cultural Encounters: Teaching Diverse Human Beings in Today's Classrooms

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