

LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Student Health & Human Services  
Office of Human Relations, Diversity & Equity

Commission on Human Relations  
February 21, 2019  
A G E N D A

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call and introductions
- III. Approval of Minutes November meetings
- IV. Election of officers
- V. Office of Human Relations, Diversity & Equity, 2019/20
- VI. Social Emotional Learning
- VII. Standing updates/reports
  - a. Human Relations Awards – May 14, 2019
- VIII. Public Comment (2-minutes)
- IX. Adjournment

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**2019:** March 14; April 11; May 9; June 13

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Record of Discussions  
February 21, 2019

**PRESENT**

Abelsson, Mark	selected
Dabbah, Hiram	staff
De La Rosa, Gary	selected, Chair
Edwards, Kathryn	LACOE
Germaine Watts, Joyce	
Jacobs, Lloyd Bud	Superintendent
Kakassy, Allan	McKenna (1)

**VACANT**

SEIU, UTLA, Melvoin (4),  
Schmerelson (3), Board  
District 5.

**ABSENT**

Boyd, Tish	LA County HRC
Crouch, Perry	Vladovic (7)
Menjivar, Michael	Gonez (6)
Ortega, Annie	ADL
Torres-Covarrubias, Krystal	Garcia (2)
Weldon, Floyd	AALA

**GUESTS**

**Call to Order**

Quorum was achieved at 6:22 pm

The January meeting was cancelled due to the work stoppage.

**Minutes**

Were approved with the notation that the discussion regarding the shooting at the Tree of Life was more robust than reflected in the notes and the discussion regarding the retreat was not included.

**Human Relations Awards**

The large room on the 2nd floor of Beaudry has been reserved for May 14

Forrest Financial reaffirmed a desire to help underwrite the Human Relations Spring awards. Bud Jacobs will reach out.

Patty Hellerman presented to Student Body Presidents. Joyce brought up Social Justice Humanitas school in Cesar Chavez LC in Northeast. Marika Avila, contact person and will follow up and report back.

Explored the possibility of ADL providing training @ \$4000. For 2019-2020 school year. Discussion of funding sources. Can we find out if Board Members can use their discretionary funds to pay outside providers. Bud Jones brought up using District camp.

SHHS staff and the Public Information Office are communicating about the Awards. Bud suggested the Human Relations Award be named in Dr. Michelle King's honor. Requested information on protocol on how to get approval for award being named in Dr. Michelle King's honor.

### **Human Relations Retreat**

Discussed potential sites for the retreat, such as libraries, a county facility, or the Museum of Tolerance. All should send their ideas to Gary de la Rosa. Topics regarding vision for commission suggested by Gary. Mark provided copies of January 12, 2017 Commission Guiding Strategies to be used in Retreat. Mark also suggested a more formalized assignments for each member. Bud Jacobs suggested need for focus, narrowing down what Commission will address.

### **Other conversations:**

Perry Crouch is concerned about what he feels is the excessively punitive approach to student absences. Wants Commission to address Tony Thurmond, Secretary of Education about this issue.

Joyce brought up concern that work Commission does is not utilized, suggested accountability re: follow-up by tracking. Leadership training program was also discussed by Bud and Mark.

### **Election of Officers**

Decided to postpone the elections.

### **Technology initiatives,**

Sophia Mendoza will present at a future meeting on the Technology initiatives at the District. The person who holds a parallel position in LA County may also come. Date TBD

**Public Comment** - There were no public comments.

### **Action Items carried over**

- Judy – talk to LA Trust about human relations trainings.
- Judy – contact Melvoin regarding vacancies
- Executive Committee - contact PACE to request one parent of an active LAUSD. This is an application process.
- Executive Committee – Review bylaws and clarify types of membership.

### **Adjournment in honor of Dr. Michele King**

### **Handouts:**

- February agenda
- November minutes
- January 12, 2017 Commission Guiding Strategies

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- IV. Nomination of Officers
- V. Standing updates/reports
  - a. Human Relations Awards – May 14, 2019
    - i. Forrester financial
    - ii. California Credit Union
    - iii. LA Trust
  - b. Teaching Hard History thoughtfully, addressing biased language
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