

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

Commission on Human Relations
March 12, 2020

TELECONFERENCE – zoom meeting
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Meeting ID: 698 353 202
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A G E N D A

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call and introductions
- III. Approval of Minutes February meeting
- IV. American Indian Education Program by Allan Kakassy & Karris Wilson
- V. April meeting date.
- VI. Reports of standing committees
- VII. Standing updates/reports/Commissioner proposed items:
 - a. June 2019 retreat and focus areas
 - b. Human Relations Awards, May 7, 2020
 - c. Housing Task Force
 - d. Educational Equity
 - e. School Culture
 - f. Civic Engagement
 - g. Office of Human Relations, Diversity & Equity
- VIII. Public Comment (2-minutes)i
- IX. Adjournment

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Record of Discussions
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PRESENT

Abelsson, Mark	selected
De La Rosa, Gary	selected Chair
Escobar, Janise	staff
Jacobs, Lloyd Bud	Superintendent
Kakassy, Allan	McKenna (1)
Perez, Kevin	Gonez(6)
Perez, Linda	CSEA
Richardson, Joan	CSEA
Rivlin, Shelley	Schmerelson (3)
Watts, Joyce Germain	selected
Wilson, Kaaras	

ABSENT

Crouch, Perry	Vladovic (7)
Edwards, Katherine	LACOE
Laguna, Joel	UTLA
Ortega, Anne	ADL
Torres-Covarrabias, Krystal	Museum of
Tolerance	
Weldon, Floyd	AALA

VACANT

Garcia (2)
Melvoin (4)
Goldberg (5)

Call to Order

Quorum was achieved at 6:41 PM. Meeting was conducted via Zoom because of COVID-19 precautions

Approval of February minutes. Correction to minutes: Commissioner Kathryn Edwards of LACOE was not included in the attendance roster in error.

Congratulations to Linda Perez for being selected for the DMC Committee

American Indian Education Program

Kakassy and Wilson presented on parental concerns regarding AIEP hiring protocol. Bud Jacobs and Gary de la Rosa pointed out staffing issues were outside the purview of the Commission.

Wilson agreed to bring back a motion to the April HRC meeting that states clearly request for action from this committee.

Watts brought need to streamline the process re: agenda items for the HRC

June 2020 retreat and focus areas

Gary de la Rosa will be point person for organizing retreat.

Human Relations Awards

Jacobs suggested process of HRC Awards continue, with postponement of ceremony for after suspension of COVID-19 contagion measures. At this time, there have been two entries. Commissioners were encouraged to remind schools of the awards.

Educational Equity

Rivkin, Watts and K. Perez reported on state of assistance for LAUSD Homeless youth. Many youth qualify for assistance in attending school but face obstacles. Concerns regarding inability for students under 12 years old to use free TAPP cards because they are prohibited from riding public transportation without an accompanying adult.

Housing and Homelessness

Exploration of purchasing washers and dryers for Parent Centers for those students who lack access to laundry facilities and making gym shower facilities available to them for hygiene purposes. There was a discussion of ways students could drop off laundry and avoiding stigma of homelessness. K. Perez brought up possibility of an LAUSD campaign to reduce the stigma of homelessness.

School Culture

Watts suggested uniting the Homelessness committee with the Educational Equity

Office of Human Relations, Diversity & Equity

Has extended invitations to six new hires that are tentatively set to begin in April. Commission would like to meet the new staff.

April meeting date has been changed to April 16 in deference to Seder. Depending on status of the COVID-19, the meeting may be virtual.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00PM

Second Thursdays, 6:30 – 8:00 PM

2020: April 16 (change from April 9), May 14, June 11

Handouts:

- February minutes
- March agenda
- Report from Commissioner Rivlin on homelessness
- Statement from Karras Wilson regarding LAUSD American Indian Unit

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April 16, 2020 (rescheduled from April 9)

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