

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

Commission on Human Relations

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A G E N D A

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call and introductions
- III. Updates on commissioners
- IV. Approval of July meeting
- V. Reports of standing committees
- VI. Standing updates/reports/Commissioner proposed items:
 - b. Human Relations Awards
 - c. Housing Task Force
 - d. American Indian Education Program
 - e. Educational Equity
 - f. School Culture
 - g. Civic Engagement
 - h. Office of Human Relations, Diversity & Equity

Public Comment (2-minutes)

Meeting schedule (subject to change by commission vote)

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PRESENT

Abelsson, Mark	selected
Chiasson, Judy	staff
Crouch, Perry	Vladovic (7)
Hudson, Cristina	staff
Kakassy, Allan	McKenna (1)
Laguna, Joel	UTLA
Rivlin, Shelley	Schmerelson (3)
Watts, Joyce Germain	selected
Perez, Linda	CSEA
Jacobs, Lloyd Bud	Superintendent
De La Rosa, Gary	selected Chair
Edwards, Kathryn	LACOE

ABSENT

Reimers, Sarah	Melvoin (4)
Richardson, Joan	CSEA
Toma, Robin	LA County HRC
Weldon, Floyd	AALA
Perez, Kevin	Gonez (6)
Wilson, Kaaras	

VACANT

Garcia (2)
Goldberg (5)

Quorum was met at 6:40

Update on commissioners – Sara Reimers will be representing BM Melvoin; Torres-Covarrabias, Krystal is not longer at Museum of Tolerance.

Human Relations Awards – request from Bud Jacobs sent to all commissioners to formalize and institutionalize the Human Relations awards.

Housing Task Force had a good turn out. Concern is heightened identifying students experiencing homelessness during the quarantine. Rivlin has been partnering with the Homeless unit, Beyond the Bell. Gary de la Rosa will

Educational Equity & School Culture - Ethnic studies released July 31 by the CDE:

<https://www.cde.ca.gov/be/cc/cd/aug2020iqcagenda.asp>

More streamlined. Focused on the 4 foundational group – African American, Latinos, API and Native Americans. Kelly Gonez is drafting a resolution to support it

Will states be able to design their own models? – yes

Not a graduation requirement yet

Kakassy – Mark Rigley Thompson proposed racism as a public health hazard. Wants a board resolution as a health hazard

Kakassy – McKenna passed a resolution John Lewis. Kakassy wants to explore naming service learning in honor of John Lewis.

Watts – Mandate of 3 years of PD on culturally responsive and linguistic appropriate curriculum. What is the status? Outcome?

Civic Engagement - LA V. Hate program to proote unHey Gary and Judy,

Toma, via email: LA City HRC has launched our 'LA vs. Hate' program to promote unity against hate, reporting of hate (whether hate incidents or crimes), rapid response to hate. www.LAvsHate.org. The County is working to push back against the steady rise in hate over the past several years, and we know it'll only get worse in this election campaign season. For more info, contact Terri Villa-McDowell TVillaMcdowell@wdacs.lacounty.gov who is our staff lead on this.

Human Relations, Diversity & Equity –

- classes will open via distant learning
- advisories - for human relations content.
- District is offering anti-bias training for staff
- Grief trainings for schools

Discussed **Prop 209** of 1969, which places restrictions on considering **race**, **sex**, or **ethnicity**, specifically in the areas of public employment, public contracting, and public education. <https://web.archive.org/web/19971210154224/http://vote96.ss.ca.gov/Vote96/html/BP/209text.htm>

UTLA is offering trainings on Brave Space on race
Laguna's school has an antiracist book club

Perez – proposes that school have a monthly Unsung hero for students

Edwards – LACOE is launching targeted interventions for Black students based on Beyond the Schoolhouse Report. Must address and redress historical oppression and marginalization. LACOE is offering free 8-hour trainings on Implicit Bias.

Adjourn in honor of John Lewis at 8:00 pm

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