

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

Commission on Human Relations
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February 10, 2022
AGENDA

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| I. | Call to Order | 6:30 |
| II. | Roll Call and introductions | 6:35 |
| III. | Approval of January meeting | 6:37 |
| IV. | Reports of standing committees, standing updates/reports/Commissioner proposed items: | |
| | a. Human Relations Awards | 7:15 |
| | b. Housing Task Force | 7:25 |
| | c. Educational Equity and School Culture | 7:30 |
| | d. Civic Engagement | 7:35 |
| | e. Office of Human Relations, Diversity & Equity | 7:45 |
| V. | Public Comment (2-minutes) | 7:50 |
| VI. | Adjournment and announcements | 7:55 |

Meeting schedule (subject to change by commission vote
Thursdays, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

2022: March 10, April 14, May 12, June 9

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Minutes

PRESENT

Abelsson, Mark	selected
Blanshay, Linda	Museum of Tolerance
Crouch, Perry	Franklin (7)
De La Rosa, Gary	at large
Jacobs, Bud	Superintendent
Richardson, Joan	CSEA
Crouch, Perry	Franklin (7)
Perez, Kevin	Gonez
Villa-McDowell, Terri	LA County Co HRC
Watts, Joyce	selected

STAFF

Chiasson, Judy	staff
Vigil, Cristina	Vigil LDNE HRDE staff
Pollard-Terry	staff

GUESTS

Gayle Pollard-Terry, Deputy Chief
Communications Officer

ABSENT

Rivlin, Shelly	
Kakassy, Allan	McKenna (1)
Edwards, Kathryn	LACOE
Garcia, Jeronimo	Melvoin (4),
Toma, Robin	LA County HRC
Rivlin, Shelley	Schmerelson (3)
Friedman, Matthew	ADL

VACANT

Garcia (2)
Goldberg (5)
UTLA
AALA

Introductions. Begin at 6:40

Minutes approved without modification by Bud Jacobs and seconded by Dr. Perry Crouch.

Human Relations Awards

Bud Jacobs will present at the principals' meeting.

Ask Pia and Allison to send notice to principals now that staff are released from their schools.

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Housing Task Force Kevin Perez gave update. Shelly Rivlin absent today and not able to give report regarding laundry services for unhoused students/families.

Equity & School Culture – Joyce Watts shared that she is in touch with community members and a new member may be on this committee in the near future. Village Nation, in partnership with CSUN and various other partners, held a summit with over 300 participants which is a big increase in attendance from prior years (moved from 30 participants in prior year to 300). Joyce Watts also shared that Target corporation provided a donation to participants and wants commissioners and others to check out : <https://www.target.com/p/black-history-month-family-moment-collection/-/A-84281884>

Linda Blanshay sharing Black History month events at Museum of Tolerance.

Educational Equity and School Culture

Committee has been connecting hopefully with new UTLA rep. Village Nation partners on African American Parent Summit. More than 300 people signed up (30 last year). Board Member and energy was excellent. Goal to break out of silos. Have been partnering with BSAP.

Commissioner Perry Crouch asked Joyce Watts about addressed Critical Race Theory. Judy Chiasson expressed that she has not seen anything organized at LAUSD against information Kathryn Edwards shared LACOE's resources.

Civic Engagement/Suggest that we study LACOE's resources and prepare a statement
[A Straightforward Primer On Critical Race Theory \(and Why It Matters\) \(forbes.com\)](#)
[A Lesson on Critical Race Theory – American Bar](#)

Civic Engagement

Retreat – Gary De La Rosa asked commissioners if they are interested in having a commissioners' retreat in the near future. Commissioners affirmed that they would like to consider a retreat to plan HRDE commission's direction. Bud Jacobs asked to set a date, possibly in April (7th or 21st), possibly back to the Museum of Tolerance. Linda Blanshay offered Museum of Tolerance for a location for the next retreat and can offer an honorarium for guest speakers of the commissioners' choice.

Office of Human Relations, Diversity & Equity – Staff were recently released from their deployments and are now back in their HRDE positions. SHHS staff were

Deployment – HRDE was deployed cover staff absences related to COVID. LAUSD has unfilled positions (especially specialized classes like Mandarin, Choir, etc.) to schools for 3 weeks

Jazz & Friends – 2/24

DACE partnership

LAUSD has had to move teachers and personnel to City of Angels (online) due to families choosing to remain online.

Judy Chiasson shared HRDE LAUSD's upcoming event: webinar on 2/24/2022 at Hooper Elementary School, Jazz and Friends read aloud event.

Gender Nation Book Donation event took place in December and successfully distributed LGBTQ+ set of books (17 books) to every LAUSD elementary school. Information about LAUSD HRDE events and resources: <https://achieve.lausd.net/Page/17935>

Interested in an April 7, 14 or 21st at the Museum of Tolerance

Planning committee – lead on each submitted and executive board (Gary, Shelley, Bud, Perry, Joyce)

Comments

Judy Chiasson asked UTLA to send a replacement for Joel Laguna

Mark Abelson will not be able to attend subsequent meetings on Thursdays due to his obligations at the university.

There will be a retreat committee with a meeting scheduled for next month. Send Judy Chiasson or Gary De La Rosa email if interested in providing input about retreat.

Actions:

invite Superintendent to next meeting

Study LACOE's resources and prepare a one-page statement

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM (Gary De La Rosa made a motion and Kevin Perez seconded motion to adjourn)

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