

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

Commission on Human Relations
August 10, 2023
<https://lausd.zoom.us/j/2135054744?from=addon>
AGENDA

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| I. | Call to Order | 6:00 |
| II. | Roll Call and introductions | 6:05 |
| III. | Approval of June minutes | 6:07 |
| IV. | Interest survey completion and discussion | 6:10 |
| | https://forms.office.com/r/Em7HcVpsEm | 6:10 |
| V. | Reports of standing committees, standing updates/reports/Commissioner proposed items: | |
| | a. Housing Task Force | 6:30 |
| | b. Human Relations Awards | 6:40 |
| | c. Educational Equity and School Culture | 6:50 |
| | d. Civic Engagement | 7:00 |
| | e. Office of Human Relations, Diversity & Equity | 7:10 |
| VI. | Public Comment (2-minutes) | 7:20 |
| VII. | Adjournment and announcements | 7:25 |

Meeting schedule Thursdays, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. (subject to change by Commission vote)

2023: August 10, September 14, October 12, November 9

2024: January 11, February 8, March 14, April 11, May 9, June 13

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PRESENT

Blanshay, Linda	Museum of Tolerance
De La Rosa, Gary	Superintendent at large
D'Alessandro, Valentina	LA County HRC
Friedman, Matthew	ADL
Jacobs, Bud	Superintendent
Luboff, Palladin	Melvoin (4)
Rivlin, Shelley	Schmerelson (3)
Robledo, Olivia	Gonez (6)
Valladares, Claudia	Goldberg (5)
Watts, Joyce	selected

Chiasson, Judy

HRDE

ABSENT

Abelsson, Mark	selected
Crouch, Perry	Franklin (7)
Kakassy, Allan	McKenna (1)
Perez, Linda	CSEA
Richardson, Joan	CSEA
Williams, Jamaal	LACOE

INCOMING

Hyland, Irene	AALA
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STAFF

Zoeckler, Susanna	HRDE
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VACANT

Rivas (2)

Quorum achieved at 6:14 pm

Introduction and welcomed new commissioners Palladin Luboff and Claudia Valladares

June Minutes approved

a. Housing Task Force

On hold. There is no coordinator in homeless in SHHS. The head of facilities retired, but Reseda HS is piloting a laundry facility for students with unstable housing. An adult at the school will do the laundry for the students. Reseda is exceptionally high for unstable housing. Met with David Baca. Exploring a partnership with the community wherein families could use a tap card at local laundromats. Schools may like the idea but identifying the actual hook ups and plumbing has been a concern.

b. Human Relations Awards

Susy is writing up bi-monthly profiles for select recipients. The awardees will be included in the minutes and posted on Schoology, AALA, and DOI and principal newsletter.

c. Educational Equity and School Culture

Land acknowledgment. The Commission discussed sponsoring a land acknowledgment. Judy reached out to LAUSD's Indian Education Unit to adopt one for the district who was very supportive. Proposed to have draft resolution to the Board for November Native American History month. Gary will help draft a resolution.

Inquired about the strategic planning process. Museum of Tolerance offered to sponsor another retreat. Explored how the commission defines "equity." "Gaps in access, opportunity and outcomes, with the intention of closing gaps."

BSAP is partially funded to close the achievement gap. 90% of LAUSD Black students did not meet the math standards (compared to 72% of the district). Consistent failure rate. DeSantis and white nationalist have complained to Office of Civil Rights that targeted interventions are race-based.

- d. Civic Engagement – reaching out to colleagues during this election year. Might contact the Student Empowerment Unit.
- e. Office of Human Relations, Diversity & Equity – there is an increase in antigay sentiments. HRDE has a skills-based training on responding to LGBT bias. LA HRC wants to create a letter for parents. Museum of Tolerance offered to host a focus group on responding to bias.
ADL shared some resources:
<https://www.adl.org/resources/report/year-review-anti-lgbtq-hate-extremism-incidents-2022-2023>
<https://www.adl.org/resources/tools-to-track-hate/heat-map>
- f. Seven commissioners completed the survey. The prevailing interest was on identity.
- g. New legislation will mandate LGBT trainings for all educators.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm