

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

Commission on Human Relations
November 9, 2023
MINUTES

Blanshay, Linda, Museum of Tolerance
Crouch, Perry, Franklin (7)
D'Alessandro, Valentina, LA County HRC
De La Rosa, Gary Superintendent at large
Espinoza, Sayra, UTLA
Friedman, Matthew, ADL
Jacobs, Bud, Superintendent
Perez, Linda, CSEA
Rivlin, Shelley, Schmerelson (3)
Robledo, Olivia, Gonez (6)
Valladares, Claudia, Goldberg (5)
Watts, Joyce, selected

Zoeckler, Susanna HRDE
Chiasson, Judy, HRDE

ABSENT
Abelsson, Mark, Selected
Hyland, Irene, AALA
Kakassy, Allan, McKenna (1)
Ortiz, Margaret, SEIU
Paladin, Luboff, Melvoin (4)
Richardson, Joan, CSEA
Williams, Jamaal, LACOE

VACANT
Rivas (2)

STAFF

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| I. | Call to Order | 6:00 |
| | Meeting commenced at 6:00 with quorum | |
| II. | Roll Call and introductions | 6:05 |
| III. | Approval of October minutes | 6:10 |
| IV. | Discuss protocol for commissioners seeking information from staff. Ask that requests be channeled through staff liaison – Chiasson or Zoeckler | |
| V. | Reports of standing committees, standing updates/reports/Commissioner proposed items: | |
| | a. Housing Task Force | 6:30 |
| | Working continues with Schmerelson for accelerating enrollment of children who are living in shelters. | |
| | b. Human Relations Awards | 6:40 |
| | Susie Zoeckler and Bud completed the rubric for future submissions. | |
| | Continuing the monthly spotlight of past awards recipients. | |
| | Susie will complete a projected timeline for 2024 awards and send list of awardees to commissioners per board member for 2023. | |
| | c. Educational Equity and School Culture | 6:40 |
| | Holding meeting to operationally define “equity” to guide work with committee. | |
| | Watts continues exploring possible trainings from LACOE for commissioners. | |
| | d. Civic Engagement | 7:00 |
| | Chaisson will find out what LAUSD – Division of Instruction is currently doing to approach the topic of civic engagement with students. Request someone to speak re: civic engagement at next commission meeting. | |
| | e. Office of Human Relations, Diversity & Equity | 7:10 |

Chaisson and Zoeckler shared about tools and resources developed by HRDE aiming to reduce violence in response to global conflicts.

- VI. Public Comment 7:20
- VII. Adjournment and announcements

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

2023: No meetings in December

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