THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA HUMAN RELATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

August 31, 2022

Summary

Members Present

Members Absent

Elaine Engel Matt Walters Maya Gordon Naima Khan-Ghany Nancy Fry Nathan 'Narciso' Cherson Kimberly Burke-Mohorne Mayra Roldan

STAFF PRESENT: Diversity & School Climate Staff: Tom Albano, Coordinator, Marion M. Williams, Committee Liaison, Sebrina James; Roberto Fernandez, Instructional Facilitators; Office of Student Services/School Counseling: Latricia Lauture, Office Manager

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:15 pm. A quorum was present.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as presented.

MINUTES

October 27, 2021 minutes were approved.

PAST CHAIR'S REPORT

Ms. Naima Khan-Ghany stated that the committee accomplished a lot of work last year: April 21, 2023, has been adopted as a day off which the human relations committee along with the Diversity Committee have been working on for the last five years; "Equity Hour" the Diversity & School Climate Department played a very important role, and it was very productive. She mentioned that the Superintendent annual meeting with the Chair is forthcoming.

PAST VICE CHAIR'S REPORT

Ms. Williams shared that **Ms.** Mayra Roldan was the past chair and was unable to attend the meeting. However, Ms. Roldan informed Ms. Williams that she would not be running for vice chair this year. **Ms.** Williams also shared that Ms. Roldan has been the HRC representative on the Policy 1.7 Committee which will be finalized at the next School Board meeting

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Albano shared that there will not be "Equity Hour" this year. He also shared and briefly explained the three House Bills (HB) that became effective on July 1, 2022. They are HB 1557, Parental Rights in Education; HB 7, Individual Freedom; and HB 1467, the District must inform parents of what books are in the schools' libraries and media centers.

Discussion began.

Mr. Albano informed the committee of the newly appointed School Board Members who replaced the suspended Board Members. He stated that any committee member who was appointed by one of the suspended board members is still permitted to stay in the role until the new school board member decides to either keep or replace the current appointee. **Mr. Albano** suggested that the members should meet with their school board member to share with them the meeting summaries.

Motion made by Narciso Cherson: "I make a motion to accept our previous Chair, Naima Khan-Ghany as interim chair until we conclude our voting process." Seconded by Nancy Fry. Motion Passed.

ELECTION PROCESS

Ms. Williams briefly explained the responsibilities of the Chair. Ms. Williams informed the committee if they are interested in running for chair or vice chair, an email will be sent to them with the deadline date to do so.

Ms. Williams informed the committee of the required Advisory Committee Training that must be completed by each member. A certificate is generated after completing the training. She informed the members to send a copy of the certificate to Latricia Lauture. **Mr. Albano** stated that all communication from the committee should be sent to Latricia (Lauture).

HUMAN RELATIONS COUNCIL

Ms. Williams gave a history of the human relations council.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Mr. Albano shared that a committee member requested to change the meeting schedule.

Discussion began.

Motion was made by Elaine Engel, "I moved that we changed the date of the meeting to third Wednesday to same location & time. Motion passed.

By unanimous consent, the meeting was extended by 5 minutes.

Ms. Khan-Ghany reported the outcome of the September 18th Calendar Committee Meeting. There were three calendar options presented and Ms. Khan-Ghany asked that the human relations committee review and provide feedback to Latricia. **Ms. Khan-Ghany** mentioned that she must set a date to meet with the Superintendent. She asked the committee to share what items they would like to address.

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 28, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. at the Lauderdale Manors Early Learning & Resource Center