

Members Present:

Monica Lakhwani, Charles Davis, Tony Prince, Jack Jacobs, Diane Herrick, Pam Sheehan

Members Late but Present:

Terri Kendall, Autumn Reece

Charles opened with a welcome statement and confirmed minutes from last meeting as well as subcommittee reports. A hard copy of the agenda was handed to each member present.

Meeting with Dr. Hargens has not yet been scheduled however John Marshall has been apprised. Overarching theme was the need for awareness and district statement of support. This will be discussed further with Dr. Hargens.

TP: There is a lot of confusion about to whom things go...how do things get recommended to those we need it to go to?

CD: We can discuss this further.

TP: Specifically, i.e. fliers being sent out supporting your LGBTQ child and recommendation regarding the statement for the superintendent

CD: Meeting with Dr. Hargens will be scheduled to discuss as to what is the reporting process regarding the statement of support. "I understand concerns but I would like to put together a level of accountability (document) so when I do have time with Dr. Hargens I can relay information from what the committee at large needs. I am trying to get on her calendar. Everything the subcommittee chairperson shared with me (document) will be shared with her."

TP: Who has the authority to get the advice forward to Dr. Hargens/Board?

CD: Things are happening for the most part. If it's in my hands I move it forward i.e. Brittany and logos with Allison. When it concerns superintendent or cabinet member things may not happen as we like.

Let's put everything on paper and put it on an accountability form and find out how Dr. Hargens/John Marshall would like this delivered and how often. We need something we can start the year with heading into 2016 with a concrete accountability form. We can put the plan together. Do we want to have another meeting to plan this out?

DH: Yes! It will be nice to have a closing to put this all together.

CD: Wanted to get some initial thoughts and then I can send out a Doodle poll

JJ: WE need to send the doodle out pretty quick

CD: Before the end of the school year?

TK: Right at the end; late May sounds great – last two weeks of the year

Members agree.

JJ: subcommittee met twice; JJ provided report

- PRIDE camp name changed to JCPS LGBTQ Student Summit
 - free conference at UofL SAC and social
 - Saturday August 6, 1-5PM
 - students, parents, members, open to all interested
 - hoping that GSAs will be more developed and spread through this event
 - sample of flier distributed to members
 - open to any age group – Chill Out room would be appropriate for elementary age students
- Need help with promoting the event
 - ML will forward to Monday Memo and Envision Equity for May
- Need help with getting a banner made
 - BA is working on it
- Possibility of offering this as PD
- Overview of Summit was shared (skills based, facilitated discussions, workshops/groups, GSA showcase/ice cream showcase)

DH: subcommittee report

- Have a plan for next year – discussed at our last meeting about a liaison at each school (Safe Zone Coach)
 - blurb will go out in Envision Equity in May
 - Sept 8 – information session for someone interested in becoming a SZ Coach
 - 4 PD Sessions
 - Family Diversity – Elizabeth Dinkens will facilitate (Oct 10)
 - Gender Diversity – Clare Gervasi is tentatively facilitating (Dec 8)
 - Transgender Issues (Feb 4:30-6:30)
 - SZ Coaches will be a part of a cohort and will receive a certification
- Opening up a transgender session open to all
- Educator Speak Out (March 16) – Tony Prince has agreed to facilitate

PS: Kim C. is the contact person who can put together bonded documents

TP: Reviewing reports, feel like we are playing to our allies.

DH: We are going to ask people to self-identify first for SZ Coach but then strongly suggest one person in each school at minimum

TP: subcommittee report

- Some of this has already been discussed. Would be nice to do more outreach on LGBTQ events....this needs to be further worked on.

- Are there LGBTQ links/resources on our websites?

ML: DEP has put some resources local and national. If you have a link you'd like to send, please send it my way and we will get what we can up on the new site.

TP: PGLAG member suggests we put an appointee from his office; this would connect us to the broader community

BA: updates from outreach

- Charles read directly from the sub-committee report emailed.

Diane will check with Michelle Sircy on sending out parent brochures to counselors in the district (middle and high).

CD: Any last minute thoughts/questions?

JJ: We could recruit additional people of color/transgender members for our subcommittees.