

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
(MINUTES)
Equity Council Meeting
October 4, 2016

The Equity Council met at 701 East Main Street, Lexington, Kentucky at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 4, 2016.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Roger Cleveland, David Cozart, Sara Green, Brian Hodge, Stephanie Hong, Ron Langley, JoJuana Leavell-Greene, Sharon Mofield-Boswell, Isabel Taylor

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jacqui Denegri, John Ferguson, Ron Mack, Roy Woods

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Melissa Bacon

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Emmanuel Caulk, Susan McLaughlin Jones, Billy Buchanan, Jimmy Meadows, Myron Thompson, Darryl Thompson, Sarah Gaines

CALL TO ORDER

Ron Langley called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

I. ROUTINE MATTERS

AGENDA ITEM 1 (a)

Roll Call

Sarah Gaines called the roll.

AGENDA ITEM 1 (b)

Reading of Mission Statement

Sara Green read the Mission Statement.

AGENDA ITEM 1 (c)
Approval of Minutes

Isabel Taylor offered a motion to accept the minutes from the September 6, 2016 meeting. Stephanie Hong seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the minutes were approved.

AGENDA ITEM 1 (d)
Reading of Standards of Practice Agreement

Ron Langley signed the Standards of Practice agreement, and the document was read by the Equity Council members in attendance.

II. UPDATES

AGENDA ITEM 1 (e)
Standing Committees

Ron Langley asked that committee chairs share with the Council the dates, times and location of their committee meetings. He also encouraged everyone to join at least one committee. All committees should take minutes at each meeting, and the minutes should be sent to Darryl Thompson and Sarah Gaines.

III. ACTION ITEMS

AGENDA ITEM 1 (f)
Bylaws Updates and Revisions

Ron Langley indicated that the Bylaws Committee was waiting for the release of Superintendent Caulk's plan before moving forward with the revised bylaws. He asked if anyone is interested in joining the Bylaws Committee.

IV. REPORTS

AGENDA ITEM 1 (g)
Superintendent's Report

Manny congratulated Roger Cleveland on receiving the Urban League's Diversity award. He also mentioned that Kim Lyon shared about the Ford Next Generation Learning and the District's partnership with the Lexington Chamber of Commerce during the Board retreat, and the Equity statement was reviewed.

Prior to reviewing the District Scorecard, Manny shared that seventy-seven leaders, teachers, and staff went to Nashville to visit their career academies, and a group went to Cincinnati to visit their community schools.

AGENDA ITEM 1 (h)
Equity Liaison's Report

The last charge that was given to the Equity Council was done in 1993 when the Council was established. The Equity Council should receive a new charge from the Board of Education next month.

AGENDA ITEM 1 (i)
Subcommittee Reports

- ✓ **Student Success: Educational Excellence and Equity** – They have not met.
Student Placement and Accommodations – no report
Suspension Reduction and Drop-Out Prevention – They will have a meeting next week and another meeting at the end of October to review suspension data for August – October.
- ✓ **Student, Family, and Community Engagement** – Their next meeting is scheduled for October 10 at 3:30 p.m. at the Day Treatment conference room.
- ✓ **Data, Research, and Accountability** – They meet on the 4th Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. at IAKSS.
- ✓ **Minority Business Enterprise/Women Business Enterprise** – no report

AGENDA ITEM 1 (j)
Visiting Board Member Reflections

Melissa Bacon, Board Chair, shared information about the Board retreat that was held at Forcht Bank. One of the retreat highlights was a personality style evaluation that served as a team building activity. They also received an update on the District's long range plans and facilities updates. They will receive an Equity update at the next Board planning meeting.

She also commented on the community school models in Cincinnati. These schools provide medical, dental, and psychological care on-site for students and staff.

AGENDA ITEM 1 (k)
Internal/External Reports

Marilyn Clark and Kim Lyon were unable to attend the meeting.

V. OTHER COMMUNICATION AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Ron asked those guests present to introduce themselves.

Sara Green asked about the number of vacancies on the Equity Council. Darryl Thompson shared that ads will run in the Herald-Leader on Friday, October 7 and Friday, October 14. There will also be an announcement on our web site and on Channel 13 asking those who are interested to submit an application prior to the close of business on October 31, 2016.

Sara Green requested that some of her students make a presentation to the Council. JoJuana Leavell-Greene made a motion that the students would present in November, and Sharon Mofield-Boswell seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Sharon Mofield-Boswell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. JoJuana Leavell-Greene seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.