

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
(MINUTES)
Equity Council Committee Meeting
February 6, 2018

The Equity Council Committee (ECC) met at 701 East Main Street, Lexington, Kentucky at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 6, 2018.

ECC MEMBERS PRESENT:

Denise Brown, Craig Cammack, Betsy Dobbs, Malkanthie McCormick, Sharon Mofield-Boswell, Abdul Muhammad, Bret Nathaniel, Sherelle Pierre, Torrey Woods

ECC MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jervis Middleton, Carlos Ross

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

District Executive Leadership Team, Sarah Gaines

CALL TO ORDER

Darryl Thompson called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

I. ROUTINE MATTERS

AGENDA ITEM 1 (a)

Roll Call

Sarah Gaines called the roll.

Craig Cammack made a motion to appoint Darryl Thompson, the Equity Liason, as chair for the purpose of facilitating the Equity Council Committee meeting until the completion of the election of officers. Sharon Mofield-Boswell seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

AGENDA ITEM 1 (b)

Moment of Silence

Darryl Thompson asked that the Equity Council Committee observe a moment of silence.

AGENDA ITEM 1 (c)
Reading of Mission Statement

Sherelle Pierre read the Mission Statement.

AGENDA ITEM 1 (d)
Approval of Minutes

Craig Cammack offered a motion to accept the minutes from the January 9 meeting. Torrey Woods seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the minutes were approved.

AGENDA ITEM 1 (e)
Reading and Signing of Standards of Practice Agreement

The Equity Council Committee members read the Standards of Practice agreement. Then, each member signed a poster-size version. Jervis Middleton and Carlos Ross will sign the agreement at the next Equity Council Committee meeting on March 6, 2018.

II. ACTION ITEM

AGENDA ITEM 2 (f)
Election of ECC Officers

Sarah Gaines facilitated the roll call vote to elect the Equity Council Committee secretary for 2018. Since there were no nominations from the floor, there were two candidates, Craig Cammack and Carlos Ross. The votes were cast as follows for Craig Cammack:

Denise Brown – Yea
Craig Cammack – Yea
Betsy Dobbs – Yea
Malkanthie McCormick – Yea
Jervis Middleton – Absent
Sharon Mofield-Boswell – Yea
Abdul Muhammad – Yea
Bret Nathaniel – Yea
Sherelle Roberts Pierre – Yea
Carlos Ross – Absent
Torrey Woods – Yea

The vote was 9-0.

Craig Cammack was elected secretary of the Equity Council Committee, and he facilitated the roll call vote for Carlos Ross. The votes were cast as follows for Carlos Ross:

Denise Brown – Nay
Craig Cammack – Nay
Betsy Dobbs – Nay
Malkanthie McCormick – Nay
Jervis Middleton – Absent
Sharon Mofield-Boswell – Nay
Abdul Muhammad – Nay
Bret Nathaniel – Nay
Sherelle Roberts Pierre – Nay
Carlos Ross – Absent
Torrey Woods – Nay

The vote was 0-9.

Craig Cammack also conducted the roll call vote for the Chair and Vice Chair, in that order. There were no nominations from the floor for chair, and Ms. Pierre respectfully declined her nomination, leaving two candidates for chair, Sharon Mofield-Boswell and Abdul Muhammad. The roll call vote for Sharon Mofield-Boswell was as follows:

Denise Brown – Nay
Craig Cammack – Yea
Betsy Dobbs – Yea
Malkanthie McCormick – Nay
Jervis Middleton – Absent
Sharon Mofield-Boswell – Yea
Abdul Muhammad – Nay
Bret Nathaniel – Nay
Sherelle Roberts Pierre – Nay
Carlos Ross – Absent
Torrey Woods – Nay

The vote was 3-6.

The roll call vote for Abdul Muhammad was as follows:

Denise Brown – Yea
Craig Cammack – Nay
Betsy Dobbs – Nay
Malkanthie McCormick – Yea
Jervis Middleton – Absent
Sharon Mofield-Boswell – Nay
Abdul Muhammad – Yea
Bret Nathaniel – Yea
Sherelle Roberts Pierre – Yea
Carlos Ross – Absent
Torrey Woods – Yea

The vote was 6-3. Abdul Muhammad was elected chair of the Equity Council Committee.

Because Mr. Cammack accepted the position of secretary, he withdrew his name from consideration for vice chair, and there were no nominations from the floor. Therefore, Torrey Woods was the sole candidate for vice chair. The roll call vote for Torrey Woods was as follows:

Denise Brown – Yea
Craig Cammack – Yea
Betsy Dobbs – Yea
Malkanthie McCormick – Yea
Jervis Middleton – Absent
Sharon Mofield-Boswell – Yea
Abdul Muhammad – Yea
Bret Nathaniel – Yea
Sherelle Roberts Pierre – Yea
Carlos Ross – Absent
Torrey Woods – Yea

The vote was 9-0. Torrey Woods was elected vice chair of the Equity Council Committee.

III. ONBOARDING: GALLERY WALK

The Equity Council Committee members rotated between the following five stations:

Station 1: Excellent Student Opportunities

Station 2: Excellent Staff

Station 3: Excellent Relationships

Station 4: Excellent Supports

Station 5: Excellent Schools

Each member spent roughly 8 minutes talking to District staff that work in the corresponding areas.

IV. OTHER COMMUNICATION

AGENDA ITEM 4 (g)

Subcommittee Assignments Discussion

Abdul Muhammad asked members of the ECC to share their thoughts regarding information they gathered during the Gallery Walk. Several expressed interest in various subcommittees.

Excellent Student Opportunities: Betsy Dobbs and Sharon Mofield-Boswell

Excellent Relationships: Denise Brown

Excellent Supports: Sherelle Pierre and Torrey Woods

AGENDA ITEM 4 (h)
Public Participation/Comment(s)

No one signed-up to speak.

V. NEXT STEPS AND TAKE-AWAYS

Abdul Muhammad suggested that Equity Council Committee members ask questions as they decide which subcommittee(s) they want to serve on. He mentioned that he had recently reviewed the Blueprint for Student Success, Strategic Plan, and Annual Report, and encouraged all Equity Council Committee members to read these items. Darryl Thompson stated that he will provide an onboarding Power Point at the next Equity Council Committee meeting on March 6, and the presentation will include the ECC Top 10 Recommendations previously presented to the Board of Education.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Craig Cammack made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Betsy Dobbs seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.