

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
(MINUTES)
Equity Council Meeting
September 1, 2015

The Equity Council met at 701 East Main Street, Lexington, Kentucky at 6:00 p.m. on September 1, 2015.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Roy Woods, Hazel Forsythe, John Ferguson, Stephanie Hong, Brian Hodge, Sara Szwilski, John Price, Isabel Taylor, Jerry Sims, David Cozart, JoJuana Leavell-Greene, Bonnie Mitchell-Clark, Dikiea Elery

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ron Langley Jack Lyons

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Emmanuel Caulk, Darryl Thompson, Myron Thompson, Faith Thompson, Vickie Ritchie, Michael Dailey, Jimmy Meadows, Erica Beatty, Marilyn Clark, Jessica Berry, Tanya Dailey

CALL TO ORDER

Roy Woods called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

I. COMMUNICATION AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

AGENDA ITEM 1(a)
Reading of Mission Statement

Stephanie Hong read the Mission Statement.

AGENDA ITEM 1(b)
Approval of Minutes

Jojuana Leavell-Greene made a motion to accept the minutes from the August 4, 2015 meeting. Hazel Forsythe seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the minutes were approved.

Communication & Public Participation (c)

Roy Woods welcomed Superintendent Caulk to the Equity Council. The Council introduced themselves. Superintendent Caulk thanked the Equity Council for their efforts.

Roy Woods welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Updates (d)

Darryl Thompson offered updates to the 30, 60, 90 day plan.

II. COMMITTEE REPORTS

AGENDA ITEM 2(a)

Ad-hoc Suspension Committee

Brian Hodge provided an update to the Ad-hoc Suspension Committee. He stated the committee is waiting on last year data and will report at the next meeting.

Roy introduced three principals who were invited to share and explain their plans and next steps to reduce GAP's and suspensions. Greg Ross, principal of Millcreek Elementary, Betsy Rains, principal of Paul Lawrence Dunbar, and Kate McAlley, principal of Beaumont Middle responded to the questions that were provided by the Equity Council.

AGENDA ITEM 2(b)

Student Placement/Accommodations

Hazel Forsythe provided an update for the Student Placement Accommodations committee. The committee met to discuss the updates on Achievement Gap and Student with disabilities, updates on the R.E.S.E.T. panel and the next steps. The next meeting will be announced.

AGENDA ITEM 2(c)

Objective Equity Indicators Committee

No Report

AGENDA ITEM 2(d)
Positive District Actions/Community

Isabel Taylor provided updates for the Positive District Actions Community. The committee reviewed the work on Minority Recruitment and Retention points and discussed areas where the PDAC can contribute and monitor in the new school year.

AGENDA ITEM 2(e)
Resources & Facilities

No Report

AGENDA ITEM 2 (f)
Ad-hoc Committee (Community Involvement)

No Report

AGENDA ITEM (g)
Equity Council Members on District Committee Updates

John Ferguson provided an update to the Special Education Advisory Board. He stated the committee discussed the novice reduction initiative.

Allocation Committee

Stephanie provided an update to the Allocation Committee.

Equity Policy

Darryl Thompson provided an update to the Equity Policy. The committee will restructure the policy and bring it back to Council.

III. ADJOURNMENT

Stephanie Hong made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Hazel Forsythe seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.