



Black Parallel School Board
A G E N D A
April 2, 2022

Virtual Meeting

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Time	Description	Action	Facilitator
10:00 – 10:02 AM	Open Meeting	I	White
10:02 – 10:05	Presentation on Board Process and Swearing in	I/C	White
10:05 – 10:10	Introductions	I	All
10:10 – 10:15	Minutes	I/D/C	Pinkston
10:15– 10:35	SCUSD Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board – Pinkston • LCAP Parent Advisory Board-Breazell 	I/D/C	Pinkston/Breazell/ White
10:35- 11:35	Updates on BPSB Work <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth Leadership -White • Parent Outreach – Marian/Breazell • DRC/BPSB clinic – DeWitt • LGBTQ Parent forum – Pinkston 	I/D	White/Bryson/Pinkston/ Dewitt
11:35-12:00	Community Input		
12:00 noon	Adjournment		All

Action: D= Discussion, I= Information, C= Consensus

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MINUTES OF BLACK PARALLEL SCHOOL BOARD MONTHLY MEETING - 03/05/22

Date and time: 03/05/22 10:00 am to: 03/07/22 12:00 pm

Present: Bakari Chavanu, LaShanya Breazell, Carl Pinkston, Darryl White, Faye Wilson Kennedy, Marian Bryson, Toni Tinker, Ursula DeWitt

Absent: Lailah Muwwakkil

Location: Zoom

Projects/Tags: black parallel school board

DISCUSSION

1. WELCOME

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2. INTRODUCTIONS

Name Misspelled?: If your name is misspelled, let the minute taker know at the end of the meeting or send a note to correct the spelling.

Aeisha Jones, Africa Williams, Bina Lefkowitz, Brendan Murphy, Chioko Grevious, Christiana J, Dr. Greg Spencer, Gilberto, Jamela Smith, Jim Peterson, Lamia Coleman, Maria Herndon, Nikki Milevsky, Rayvn McCollough, Scottie, Susan Ciminelli, Tamar Knox, Valerie Williams, Zelon Harrison

3. MINUTES

Minutes from February meeting:

<https://blackparallelschoolboard.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/Black-Parallel-School-Board-Feb-2022- Packet.pdf>

4. ELK GROVE PARENT PRESENTATION YOUTUBE

Parent lodges complaint to the EGUSD Board about her daughter being pulled into the office and accused of violating locker room policy. They made the daughter change her clothes outside the locker room. The principal violated her student's rights, but he tried to contend that the

incident was insignificant. The administrator harassed her daughter. This took place at Katherine Albiani Middle School in Elk Grove.

Ravyn: (Chat Notes): My daughter attended this school; they are the worst. This parent's complaint is common. Children are facing violations and harassment daily.

Zelon: we need to stop allowing our children to go to schools where they are not respected and discriminated against.

Marian: I advise parents to file complaints and find someone to help them with the issues and concerns.

Donielle: (Chat Notes): I'm trying to encourage a black staff member at a SCUSD school to come forward with an ongoing problem this year of black children being targeted with suspensions that don't get logged into the official data system; with being marked absent without cause even when they have been in class, and other strategies that lead to their being given behavior hearings. I don't want to tell her story, so I hope she will join us when she feels comfortable.

Toni: I experienced the same complaints when I lived in Elk Grove and when my children attended. Parents must document the incidents and log the violations as hate crimes.

Donielle: (Chat Notes): They especially go after high-performing black children. Similar things happened to my brother at Valley high.

Scottie: parents should file an OCR (Office of Civil Rights) complaint. Also, what is the BPSB going to do about these complaints and support the family?

Darryl: we must get these stories, so they become a part of lawsuits.

Susan: (Chat Notes): SCUSD has an attorney advisor now. He needs to lead the way to ensure that parents AND students know their rights, AND admin and teachers know their responsibilities as stewards of our scholars.

Tamara: (Chat Notes): We are grateful for the BPSB's support when my son was suspended from a SCUSD elementary school.

Ursula: BPSB needs to be applied more pressure in all districts. Elk Grove is not the only place it's happening. We can help file complaints, and we need to support filing those complaints.

Rayvn: (Chat Notes): My child was also had a hate crime committed against her at that school. there's no (if) this is what is happening

Nikki: I was searching online for the EGUSD Uniform Complaint process, and the site says, "Page is not found."

Aeisha: (Chat Notes): All students deserve sensitive and fair treatment regardless of grade point, behavior history. We must provide/guide/support avenues for parental support.

Nikki: (Chat Notes): I think EGUSD uses the Law Firm of Lozano Smith like SCUSD does

Susan: (Chat Notes): So incredibly abusive to children and perpetuates anti-black racism on all levels.

The young lady in EGUSCD was sexually and emotionally abused by the Albiani principal, VP, and counselor. Rayvn: (Chat Notes): I want the school to stop over surveillance of Black children.

Darryl: We have a lawsuit against CDE related to violations of students' rights. We need to gather stories like this to support the lawsuit. Racism is real, and it's impacting our youth in schools.

AGENDA ITEM FOR NEXT MEETING: Discuss Susan's concerns about racism in the EGUSD.

5. BLACK PARENT INVOLVEMENT DAY

119 parents participated in the Parent Involvement Day

Want to thank the district for its support of PID. It's the first year the district has done.

Some schools that participated:

McClatchy, LBHS, Didion Elementary, Parkway, John Bidwell, MLK, Jackman, Albert Einstein

Caroline Wenzel, Rosemont, Kennedy High School, Phoebe Hearst, John Still Elementary, Pony Express Elementary, Sutter Middles School

Tamar Knox: It was an awesome experience. My son didn't want me to attend, but it was okay. A counselor visited classes with me. Everyone was friendly. Appreciate the observation form provided by BPSB. I appreciate your help.

Christina: I got to visit classes for both children. I was able to use the observation sheet. The school was very inviting. One of my son's teachers has not been supportive of my son. It was essential to visit and see how his teacher interacted with him.

Brenda: (Chat Notes): Parents should observe their scholars whenever they like. Part of being a teacher is being uncomfortable and living with it.

Carl: the impetus behind PID was that teachers and schools felt that Black parents were not interested in their children's school, and we want to show that it's not true.

LaShanya: said that four fathers participated from the Papa Bear Group.

6. SCUSD UPDATES

6-1. SCUSD Board Meeting Summary —Pinkston

February 3rd Board Meeting

Topics covered:

Parents voiced concerns about accountability

Independent audit

Superintendent spoke on the various racist incidents in the district. He introduced Mark Harris, the public liaison for racial issues.

Highlighted the COVID-19 rates and mandated vaccinations

Reduction of classified services

Provided recommendations on LCAP.

Nikki: (Chat Notes): https://www.scusd.edu/sites/main/files/file-attachments/9.2_rif_resolution_3254_exhibit_a.pdf

6-2. LCAP Parent Advisory Board-Breazell

7. LCAP PARENT ADVISORY BOARD-BREAZELL

We're working on a job description for Instructional Aides for every classroom. LCAP committee made a recommendation to the board.

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7-1. Youth Leadership -White

Arianne reported what's happening in the Zero Tolerance Youth Leadership group.

She will be meeting with other youth. They are planning workshops on hidden curriculum and other topics.

7-2. Parent Outreach – DeWitt

Encourage parents to attend School Site Council meeting.

7-3. DRC/BPSB clinic – DeWitt

The clinic is still going on. Connect with BPSB if you need assistance.

7-5. LGBTQ Youth Forum —Pinkston

The Stonewall Foundation organized the forum for LGBTQ Black youth. Far too often, LGBTQ Black youth are silenced. It was a very eye-opening event in terms of what the youth shared. The youth need more opportunities to share their experiences, concerns, challenges. We want to continue to support the youth and their parents. Another forum will be organized for the parents of LGBTQ youth.

Rayvn: (Chat Notes): Black LGBTQIA youth are oppressed in different intersections of their identity

Donielle: (Chat Notes): So true, Rayvn, and it shows up in the mental health data, more significant depression, etc. So essential to address and glad this body is stepping forward.

Rayvn: (Chat Notes): We absolutely are! It is extremely critical to support our youth in their different intersections.

8. COMMUNITY INPUT

Faye: (Chat Notes): The @CaliforniaPPC invites you to host and/or participate in a Public Reading of MLK's historic April 4th "Beyond Vietnam" speech (in-person or virtual) on April 4, 2022. For more info contact: SacPPC2019@gmail.com. Thank you!

Jim: thank you to Darryl for facilitating our Bi-weekly Equity Team, Maria for the Black History display, and Marian for hosting the Parent Involvement Day. Appreciate you all for the work you do.

Bina: thank you for the rich insight I get from these meetings. Great gratitude for BPSB hosting the LGBTQ forum.

Scottie: thank you guys for the work you do. I shared your PID flier on my social media. Parents in another district want to organize an involvement day.

Nikki: there's a teacher crisis and staff crisis. Rally on March 17, along with SEIU, to protest the lack of teachers, staff, bus drivers, janitors, etc. SCUSD needs to be actively recruiting more people, including pay raises.

Aeisha: thank you to everyone. We need to be aware of homeless students, especially because of the housing crisis.

Valerie: we are looking for new cohort trainees.

Brendan: thank you for sharing that video. Trying to get my students excited about the nomination of Ketanji Brown Jackson to the Supreme Court.

Maria: concerned about a classroom I visited where there was no teacher-student interaction. Students were on computers, and the teacher wasn't interacting.

Nikki: (Chat Notes): Could be Concurrent teaching. Trying to teach kids at home while also teaching kids in person.

Donielle: we're hosting a mental health listening session for youth. Register here: bit.ly/314ACTSession
https://secure.lglforms.com/form_engine/s/yxvcmWC_QZ7CrI3szPItgg

Marian: nice to see everyone, and I enjoy being in this space.

Lamia: learned so much today.

Susan: Grateful to be here and glad I came to this meeting.

LaShanya: Next month, United and Guided are hosting a Spring festival at Tahoe Park.

Zelon: Black Parent Needs Assessment. I want to get a copy of the BPSB book.

Jamela: thank you so much. Very informative. I learned a lot as a school board member.

Africa: thank you for having this meeting.

Tamara: looking forward to the next meeting. It was very informative.

Gilberto: inspiring as always, thank you.

Ursula: concerned about surveillance when kids are using computers.

Christiana: I did join a School Site Council. I want to support BPSB.

Sharon: I have learned a lot today.

9. ADJOURNMENT



PARENT

LGBTQ+

SCHOOL PUSHOUT LISTENING SESSION

Join us for a parent conversation about concerns, safety, and policies that impact your scholar and find out how together we can support and advocate for a better .



<https://bit.ly/Parents4LGBTQScholars>

APRIL 14

Thursday

6-7:30PM

