

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Committee  
Minutes  
June 4, 2021

Meeting began at 3:15 p.m.

Dana welcomed everyone to the meeting. Present: Kathy Harris-Smedberg, Dana Carver-Bialer, Marwa Hassanien, Claire Mundell, Dan Chadbourne, Michael Alpert, Lynn Silk, Denise Simoneau, Johanna Bridges, Stephanie Hendrix, Laura Wittmann, Isabel Kidwell, Deidre Yeo, Kari Nichols, Judi Michalik, Paul Butler, and Sarah Twombly.

Report outs:

Lynn Silk shared the K-3 Library project that her group worked on. The project revolved around the diversity of books in the library. Making sure that “every person” books will be available.

Questions followed.

Denise Simoneau shared the Grade 6-8 Faculty Book Referral project. The next move will be to pilot this project with a few teachers.

Stephanie Hendrix explained the project that her group worked on. They took the letter from the investigation that took place earlier in the year. The group made steps to address and achieve equality. They wanted to make it user friendly. The next step is to get this out to everyone.

Dana Carver-Bialer and Clare Mundell took a look at other school districts and how they work diversity, equity and inclusion into their curriculum, trainings and everyday life. Good ideas were collected. This project is ongoing.

Clare mentioned that she was impressed with schools that have done an audit. Doing an audit in the Bangor Schools was discussed.

Questions/Comments followed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.