January 31, 2022

Called to order - 7:36

In attendance:

Gillann Blunschi

Vanessa Richards

Jasper Richardson

Resignations- Chris Razaki and Harriette Heller

Updates from TEAM on BOE recs: Shara Kolodney reached out to every BOE member, has not received any reply

Proposal to join next BOE meeting (2/14), have Shara Kolodney publicly read statement

Priority- DEI statement for site

Discussion of Jasper Richardson’s possible replacement

Discussion of compiling information on what other towns have done by Vanessa Richards

Set up meeting with BOE

Set up joint meetings w/ Easton, Westport, Historical society? for Juneteenth, Pride

Breakdown of groups for events

Juneteenth w/ Easton- Melissa, Jasper, Gillann

Pride w/ Easton+Westport - Vanessa, Jasper

Update on outcome of meeting w/ BOS: Lack of conclusion on any points

Meeting on February 3rd with BOS for continued discussion

Discussion of budget for DEI advisory committee

Resources on DEI, calendar events, conversation starters for February discussed

Will participate in state-run reading event

Discussion of speaker-led discussions. Topics for those discussions are needed.

Discussion of WIS damaged books

Agreement to create template for parents and DEI to reach out and voice their concerns

Discussion of need for a district-wide DEI director. Plan to publicly report this to BOE.

Mention of need for review of onboarding policy

A new member will be joining us

Adjourned 8:45

Action items summarized:

* Join next BOE meeting and read statement
* Richardson- find replacement
* Compile other towns’ actions
* Set up meetings with Westport and Easton for June events
* Meet with Board of Selectmen february 3rd
* Create template for emails i.e. damaged books
* Review onboarding policy