Tuesday, May 14, 2019

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF AD HOC COMMITTEE OF GREAT CITY SCHOOLS/MALES OF COLOR OF THE BRIDGEPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION, held May 14 2019, at Bridgeport City Hall, 45 Lyon Terrace, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order at 5:54 p.m. Present were member Chair Joseph Sokolovic, Maria Pereira, JoAnn Kennedy, LaMar Kennedy, and Sauda Baraka.

Ms. Baraka reported the forum is on track for May 23rd at Cesar Batalla School. She said nothing has changed with the forum since last week's meeting. Dr. Jenkins has contacted nutrition services to provide a small table of refreshments.

Ms. Baraka said Ms. Noel sent out an e-mail with the responsibilities of the committee members for various aspects of the forum.

Ms. Baraka said the flyer for the forum went out to teachers. Mr. Sokolovic said Atty. Marshall from the BEA offered to help get the flyer out. He said he would ask Dr. Johnson if flyers could be distributed in teachers' lounges and to publicize it on social media.

Ms. Pereira suggested Only in Bridgeport be asked to promote the event.

Ms. Baraka said the white paper group met yesterday and discussed creating an outline after reviewing the climate date. An e-mail containing links on writing white papers was sent out. She said data from the forum will be used in the white paper. She added the goal is to get the white paper to the board before its last Regular Meeting in June.

Ms. Baraka said the ultimate result of the white paper will be a call to action. It was suggested a webpage be created with hyperlinks on district websites.

Ms. Baraka said the committee would have to meet to review the white paper before it is released.

Ms. Baraka moved the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sokolovic and unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John McLeod