LGBTQ2SIA+ Student Success Advisory Group Meeting Minutes May 2, 2023



Time	Topic
3:00 Angie Foster-Lawson, Deb Lange, Oaklyn Hill	Welcome & Member Check In Assistant Superintendent Deb Lange welcomed group members and shared gratitude for everyone's time. Gave context for many anti-LGBTQ2SIA+ efforts in Oregon. Assistant Superintendent Lange cannot express how important and impactful advisory group member voice is in these times especially. There is a law and statute that provides space for members to advise ODE. Please reach out to ODE with community level concerns so we can offer support as needed. Member roll call and check in question. April meeting minutes - Approved.
3:36	ODE Announcements and Updates
Angie Foster-Lawson	Native American Youth and Family Center (NAYA) is hosting queer prom for all high school-aged youth in Portland metro area. May 26 from 6-10 pm.
	Collaboration between Basic Rights Oregon, Unicorn Solutions, DHS. Fostering Pride Recruitment Event (statewide) on June 20, 6-7:30. Okay to share widely.
	Addressing Challenged Materials in K-12 Education: Guidance to School Districts, partnership with the Oregon State Library and ODE
	Title XI feedback period on <u>proposed regulations</u> on athletics for transgender athletes is open until May 15. General overview of proposed regulations: districts cannot outright ban trans students from participating, but there are allowances to develop policies that may result in exclusionary outcomes, according to some LGBTQ2SIA+ affirming organizations. Historically, Oregon's interpretation of Title XI has been broad, but additions of these sorts might change the interpretation allowances.
	New Release! <u>Trevor Project's 2023 U.S. National Survey on the Mental Health of LGBTQ Young People</u>
3:47	Break - 10 minutes
3:59 Angie Foster-Lawson, All	ODE Feedback Requests: Work Session Request for feedback on the following high priority initiatives that impact LGBTQ2SIA+ students: Option 1: Early Literacy Framework Preliminary Draft

- One of Governor Kotek's top three initiatives
- o Is this meeting the needs of LGBTQ2SIA+ students?
 - If not, how can it be modified to meet the literacy needs (affirming and inclusive materials, curriculum, library offerings) of our LGBTQ2SIA+ students?
- Not a google doc, so commenting needs to be done through comments rather than suggestions
- Option 2: SEL Framework & Standards <u>Final Draft</u> (NEW 5/2)
 - Actual draft of education standards for Social Emotional Learning

Breakout Discussion Notes:

Early Literacy Framework Breakout Group Notes:

Students should see themselves reflected in the reading. Is this too high-level a draft to include specifics on which books? Will examples be given? Are we connecting to resources (created by ODE) to provide recommendations? Among different students listed, LGBTQ2SIA+, indigenous, other student groups are not specifically listed. How does this get translated into action? Doesn't make the specific link to student success plans.

SEL Standards Breakout Group Notes:

- Feels like adults grading/assessing students without the adults being good at it themselves
- It doesn't mention specific identities, it needs to be through multiple lenses
- Gender but not gender identity
- Addressing social interactions without defining or guiding on how those interactions are led by Identity
- Standard 1: intersectional identities aren't explained clearly, language barrier
- No clear & concise definition of social-emotional learning
- Auditing metrics? Checks & balances?
- Protections for special ed, queer, POC, etc. students
- Vague how is this implementation supposed to look in a classroom?

Feedback about both documents, in Whole Group Debrief Discussion:

We have an opportunity to explicitly name protected classes. And neither text does that. When not specifically stated, these groups are written off and ignored - and districts feel emboldened to do so. No safeguards or checks and balances for protected students not meeting benchmarks (especially when

	patterns start to emerge). Who does that responsibility fall back on? Risk of continuing to tax groups that are already maxed out.
4:40 LGBTQ2SIA+ Student Success Grantee: PPS	
	school communities. • Broadly we are looking to see positive movement in the Successful Schools and Youth Risk Behavior surveys. We want PPS staff to receive comprehensive and adequate training around LGBTQ+ supports, particularly Oregon/PPS guidance
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