



MINUTES

DIVERSITY MEETING

Thursday, September 29th, 2016
WCS Board Room, 6:00 p.m.

I. ***Universal Design for Learning***

WCS administration and staff continued their work on UDL. UDL's basic premise is to ensure ALL students have the same opportunity and experiences to top quality education and extracurricular opportunities. Monday, September 26 was a teacher professional development day and staff spent 7.5 hours learning and planning.

Also, all principals and teacher leaders have twice been sent to Columbus for more extensive training.

II. ***Senior Interviews (college, graduation)***

We are asking committee members to volunteer to go into the HS in early November to talk with students of color that are seniors regarding:

- 1) Are you OK credit wise? Can we help?
- 2) Post HS plans? What can we do to help you?
- 3) Tell us about the racial climate at WHS? Do you have ideas for improving diversity at the high school?

III. ***Freshmen Interviews (HS, Career Interest)***

In January we would ask volunteers to have interviews with students of color who are freshmen regarding:

- 1) What is going well at WHS? What is a concern?
- 2) Are you interested in teaching after college? How can we promote?
- 3) Tell us about the racial climate at WHS? Do you have ideas for improving diversity at the high school?

IV. ***Building Subcommittee Reports***

WHS – Building principal and Judah Jamiel are working on a Diversity Club designed like Can We Talk. Also, Chip Murdock is working on a mentoring group using AA Wilmington College students. (Additional building reports attached)

V. ***Research successes of WHS Minority Alums for News Journal articles.***

Have Diana Miller write articles for WNJ on successful graduates. Please send names for consideration.

VI. ***WHS Diversity Committee***

Byron McGee, Marque Jones, and Milt Thompson all agreed to participate on the WHS Diversity Committee.