

Desegregation Advisory Committee (DAC) Public Meeting
Tuesday, April 5, 2016
Lee High School Lecture Hall

Call to Order: A public meeting of the DAC was held at the Lee High School Lecture Hall on Tuesday, April 5, 2016. Chairperson Chaundra Jones called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm.

Members in Attendance: Members of the DAC in attendance were Melissa Thompson, Laura Lemley, Keith Poe, Chaundra Jones, Talya Hargrove, Isha Greene, Ashley Lopez, and Ann Kvach. Also in attendance were Huntsville City Schools (HCS) Director of Strategy and Innovation Edith Pickens, HCS Board of Education attorney Chris Pape, Department of Justice Conciliation Specialist Mildred Duprey de Robles, and members of the community.

Ms. Jones welcomed everyone and introduced Ms. Pickens. Ms. Pickens thanked everyone for attending and for being interested in the children in Huntsville City Schools and in the implementation of the Consent Order. She thanked the DAC for their work this year and informed everyone that HCS will be seeking applications from parents and rising seniors for next year's DAC. The applications will be due May 5.

Ms. Jones reviewed the agenda for the meeting. She shared that there were feedback forms available and there would also be an opportunity for verbal comments.

Ms. Jones explained the role of the DAC and invited the members of the DAC to introduce themselves. She also reviewed the areas of assessment in the Consent Order.

Mr. Poe reviewed the areas of accomplishment for the DAC this year. These include:

- Initial training
- Seven non-public meetings
- Two public meetings
- Meeting with Superintendent, Dr. Casey Wardynski
- Reviewed draft of new Behavioral Learning Guides
- Received and responded to questions and comments
- Reviewed data on discipline

Ms. Kvach shared how to access more information about the DAC and the Consent Order on the HCS website as well as how to send comments or questions to the DAC.

Ms. Thompson facilitated the feedback section of the meeting. Fourteen individuals shared oral comments and questions on topics pertaining to the Consent Order. Eighteen individuals provided written comments via the feedback forms.

Ms. Jones encouraged everyone to fill out the feedback forms and then adjourned the meeting at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Kvach
DAC Secretary