

Desegregation Advisory Committee (DAC) Meeting  
Tuesday, February 20, 2018  
Annie C. Merts Center

**MINUTES**

**Call to Order:** A non-public meeting of the DAC was held at the Annie C. Merts Center on Tuesday, February 20, 2018. Chairperson Lonette Jenkins-Bell called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

**Members in Attendance:** Laura Lemley, Preeti Frances, Vinny Argentina, Angela Curry, Lonette Jenkins-Bell, Kristi Santiago, Kimberly Flint, and Millie Steber

A quorum of the DAC was established at this meeting. The purpose of the meeting was the monthly meeting of the 2017-2018 DAC.

Ms. Jenkins-Bell began with a welcome and introduction of special master, Carlos Gonzalez. Ms. Jenkins-Bell explained he was meeting with DAC at the request of Judge Hikala to relay expectations of the Court to the DAC. Mr. Gonzalez cautioned DAC regarding reporting and using terminology that might insinuate whether the District “is” or “is not” in compliance with consent order factors. He suggested use of the following wording rather than “in” or “out of” compliance.

- “trending in the right/wrong direction because of...”

Mr. Gonzalez also suggested paragraphs for the lay summary of green factors with links to pertinent consent order sections. In addition, he recommended an executive summary be included in the DAC year-end report.

Ms. Curry made a motion to approve the January 2018 minutes electronically. In lieu of electronic approval, minutes were approved Wednesday, March 14, 2018 after a motion was made by Mr. Argentina. The motion passed and the January 2018 minutes were approved.

Remaining feeder pattern meetings are Columbia/District 5 (March 14) and Jemison/District 1 (March 19). The 2<sup>nd</sup> DAC Public Meeting is scheduled for April 9, 2018 at Lee High School.

The next scheduled DAC committee meeting is March 20, 2018. The second semester meeting with Dr. Akin is May 9, 2108 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Mr. Argentina suggested a separate meeting to continue work on the lay summaries of the consent order. He will coordinate with members regarding a date and time.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 pm.

Millie Steber, 2017-2018 DAC Secretary