



NASHOBA Regional School Committee
Diversity, Equity, Acceptance and Racial Justice Advisory
Sub Committee Meeting Minutes

April 12, 2021

7:00 PM

Meeting Remote via Zoom Technology

Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82401289792?pwd=L01sSFmXLzNLOEV4RTJFc0FLT2k0dz09>

Meeting ID: 824 0128 9792

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- I. **Call to Order:** 7:00pm by Elaine Sanfilippo
- II. **Citizen's Comments:** None
- III. **Approval of Last Meeting Minutes:** 7:02 pm *Kristin Hera moved to approve meeting minutes. Elizabeth Bendler seconded. Motion to approve last meeting minutes passed unanimously.*
- IV. **Review of Norms:** 7:05pm Norms were reviewed. Group members are asked to write descriptions of the norms in the PowerPoint Elizabeth Bender circulated to ensure all members understand the meaning of each norm.
- V. **New Business:** None
- VI. **Unfinished Business:**
 - A. "Essential Questions" mini survey circulated to determine breakout room topics 7:06pm
 - B. Land Acknowledgements Update 7:13pm
 1. Laurie Burnett and Kaitlyn Angulo discussed their goal to implement Land Acknowledgements that go beyond just performative acknowledgement.
 2. Laurie and Kaitlyn reached out to teachers and students within the DEARJ subcommittee to see if there is an interest in helping with the necessary research.
 - C. "Essential Questions" Breakout Groups 7:29pm
 1. There were 3 themes focused on in the breakout groups: District Accountability, Student Voice & Experience, and Teacher Resources & Training
 2. Breakout groups presented their proposed essential questions to the larger group and continued a discussion about next steps within this group 8:09pm
- VII. **Announcements/Updates:**
 - A. Mascot Update: Nashoba's new mascot is officially the Wolves! 8:19pm
 - a. There is additional information on the process [here](#).
 - b. WPI students are creating an accurate historical timeline of the background and story of the old mascot, the varying opinions and controversy around changing the mascot, and a report will be produced with findings.
- VIII. **Adjourn:** *Kathy Codianne moved to adjourn at 8:46pm. Elizabeth Bendler seconded. Motion to adjourn passed unanimously.*

act be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law."

approved 11/10/21