



Educational Equity Committee Minutes – 03/29/2019

Our Mission: The Sioux City Community School District exists to educate students to **believe** in their talents and skills, **achieve** academic excellence and **succeed** in reaching their potential.

Chairperson: Tito Parker

Secretary: Cate Combs

The Educational Equity Committee (EEC) met on Friday, February 8, 2019 at the ESC Professional Development Room (105).

Committee Members Present: Tito Parker, Bernie Hess, Jason Jackson, Karen Mackey, Johnny Nash, Don Dew

District Employees and School Board Directors Present: David Gleiser, Jen Gomez, Amber Sackmann, Lori Gentry, Janet Ryan

Guests:
Deb Goering

Call to Order: 11:30 am

Presentation:

Cultural Proficiency and Equity Professional Development
Jennifer Gomez, Director of Student Services & Equity Education

As part of professional development for administrators, counselors, and staff, Ms. Gomez' presentation demonstrates cultural similarities and difference. The training includes engaging school staff to consider factors that create barriers for students and families, including how personal perceptions and biases affect how staff interact with students and families of various cultures.

Roundtable discussion followed the presentation.

Up Coming Dates and Events

April 12th: In lieu of the formal April meeting, members are invited to attend the Sioux City Community Schools Multicultural Fair, hosted at East High School from 10a to 2p.

April 27th: Education Legislative Forum: 8:30a – 10:00a, ESC Board Room

May 10th: Last formal meeting for the 2018-19 School Year. Mr. Parker requests the committee, prior to the May meeting, review Minutes from the previous meetings to put together a list of recommendations for future presentations.

Adjourn: 1:00pm

Next Meeting: May 10, 2018 at 11:30 am in the Room 105 – Professional Development Room – Lunch will be provided.