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**BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY
EQUITY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
November 28, 2023
APPROVED**

The Board of Education of Anne Arundel County Equity Committee met virtually on the above date at 3:02 p.m. Committee Chair, Eric Lin opened the meeting. Committee members, Dana Schallheim and Corine Frank, were in attendance. Michelle Corkadel was unable to attend. Staff members present were Monique Jackson, Deputy Superintendent; Maisha Gillins, Chief Equity and Innovation Officer; Katara West, Equity Specialist; Rodney Walker, Principal at Brooklyn Park ES; Sadie Bianco, CAC representative; and Diane Howell, Executive Assistant to the Board.

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Lin called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The meeting minutes of September 19, 2023, were tabled until the next meeting of February 27, 2024.

TABLED ITEMS:

DEFINE EQUITY – Ms. Frank had concerns with the language because based on Kirwin resources may be denied for students and applied to others. Mr. Lin believes that the definition implies that every student has access to resources. Ms. Schallheim would rather not change the definition as it comes directly from the state. Ms. West, Dr. Gillins both referenced where the educational equity definition language came from. After discussion, the committee agreed that the state definition, which is also included in regulation, would be used.

HOW DO WE CREATE A SENSE OF BELONGING FOR ALL STUDENTS – Ms. Frank expressed concerns related to student voice for all. Ms. Jackson provided several groups and committees which students are a part of for student voice to be heard within Anne Arundel County Public Schools. Ms. Jackson reiterated that more participation from students at the elementary school level is in the works but must consider the level content and maturity.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: None.

ADJOURN: The committee adjourned at 12:34 p.m.

Approved: May 21, 2024