



Working Group on Student Protections from Harassment and Discrimination in Schools

December 18, 2023 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

AGENDA

Microsoft Teams Virtual Meeting

Call In: 1-802-828-7667

Conference ID: 489 069 133#

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Per [Act 29 of 2023 Section 5a](#), a Working Group on Student Protections from Harassment and Discrimination in Schools is created. The purpose is to study and give recommendations for how to address harassment and discrimination experienced by students.

Working Group (WG) Members: Heather Bouchey, AOE, Secretary of Education; Amanda Garces, Vermont Human Rights Commission (HRC), Director of Policy, Education and Outreach; Sarah Robinson, Vermont Network Against Domestic & Sexual Violence, Deputy Director; Rebecca McBroom, Vermont-NEA, General Counsel; Heather Lynn, Vermont School Boards Association (VSBA), Attorney; Jay Nichols, Vermont Principals' Association (VPA), Executive Director; Chelsea Myers, Vermont Superintendents Association (VSA), Associate Executive Director; V Pearson, Director of Organizing, Outright VT, Executive Director; Xusana Davis, Executive Director of Racial Equity; Lynn Stanley-Currier, Vermont Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW), Executive Director; Cammie Naylor, Vermont Legal Aid (VLA); Henri Sparks, Harassment, Hazing, and Bullying Prevention Advisory Council (HHB), Chair.

Minute Takers: Bouchey, Myers, Robinson, Garces.

Please come to this meeting prepared to discuss and vote on the list of 21 recommendations to include in the January 15, 2024 report and to determine any necessary drafting assignments to generate that report. You should have your highest ranked recommendations determined.

- 9:00 a.m. Call to Order, Roll Call, Amendments to Agenda/Minutetaker
- 9:05 a.m. Approval of [November 20, 2023 Meeting Minutes](#)
- 9:10 a.m. Public to be Heard and Community Stories
- 9:20 a.m. Summary of Feedback from Parents and Families – Amanda Garces
- 9:25 a.m. Finalize Recommendations and VOTE
- 10:30 a.m. Drafting assignments for January 15, 2024 Report to the General Assembly.
- 10:35 a.m. Worktime for Drafting Report (if available)
- 11:00 a.m. Adjourn