

BLUE VALLEY SCHOOLS

Board Advisory Committee

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, & INCLUSION

January 9, 2025 @ 4:00 PM

Board of Education Room

Members present: Jodie Dietz, Jennifer Smith, Alicia Anderson, Theoshina Fleming, Manal Wiedel, Shahzad Zafar, Angela Mosby, Dr. Tonya Merrigan, Dr. Sonya Evans, Wendy Connelly, Sarah Markowitz Schreiber, Caroline Caboo, Courtney Carlson, Celia Byers, Nefertari KB Pross

Minutes

Dr. Kelly Wessel began the meeting by introducing the following diversity club sponsors from our high schools:

- Manal Wiedel, Muslim Student Union & Diversity Club, BVH
- Eli Kanarek, Jewish Student Union, BVH
- Kelsey Bakalar, Activity Director, BVNW
- Kristi Dixon, Black Student Union & Diversity Club, BVSW
- Manny Patino-Jimenez, Latino Student Union, BVW

The diversity club sponsors then met in small groups with committee members to share about their clubs and their experiences. After 15 minutes, the sponsors rotated to different small groups. The sponsors answered the following questions:

Club Logistics

- How did your club get started?
- When does your club meet/how often do you meet?
- Do you have officers? If so, how are they elected or appointed?

Club Purpose/Goal

- What purpose does your club serve?
- What is the impact of your club on the school community?
- How can others help to support the goals of your club?

Scott Roberts next shared information about the search for the new superintendent for Blue Valley schools. He provided a link for a survey for members to share the qualities that matter most in our next superintendent.