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Equity Advisory Task Force Meeting Agenda Tuesday, February 14, 2023 3:15 p.m. @ BHS Large Conference Room

Task Force Members (bold if present): Jon Aga, Amy Aho, Jon Anderson, Charles Black Lance, Kevin Boyles, Michelle Brekken, Candace Burckhardt, Michael Erickson, Heidi Hahn, Ashley Ingebrigtson, Erin Karlgaard, Tim Murtha, Janet Ortberg, Kassidy Rice, Tracy Riley, Will Riley, Andrea Rusk, Martha Rustad, Mary Sam, Tammy Stellmach, Allison Van Vliet Others present: Jaclyn Taylor Student Task Force Members: M.N., J.M., E.P., A.B.

1. Welcome & Check-in

- a. Agreements Reminder
 - i. Remember that we are in the space in community, toward a common purpose.
 - ii. Be aware of power dynamics within the room. Recognize when you need to step back (too much airtime) or step up (disengaging or pulling back).
 - iii. Maintain confidentiality and honor/hold space for brave conversations. What is personal stays, what is learned leaves.
 - iv. Seek understanding with differences of opinion. Hold space for multiple perspectives and truths, while avoiding playing the devil's advocate.
- Approval of January minutes from last meeting: Motion- Jon Aga Second- Kevin Boyles Approved.
- 3. Review from January 16th inservice request for follow up
 - Resources
 - a. Who Are Our Students Presentation
 - b. <u>Seema & Ken's Presentation</u> (posters on slides 43-44)
 - c. Case Studies on Diversity & Social Justice Education

Signage may aid as a strong next step to keep momentum going from this event. Can we make something happen at the district level?

Examples:

- Brief instructions on how to interrupt
- Simple, to-the-point; 'speak up' steps/strategies

Potential drafts of posters (2 options) will be brought to our team; Jon Aga and M.N. to work on this project.

- 4. Themes from our study for Behavior Supports and Social-Emotional Interventions
 - a. Look at trauma reading / insulators for resiliency
 - i. Gorski article

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ii. Insulators / Resilience

Discussed the need for district-universal responses to student emotional support needs/requests; Being an 'interrupter' for our students- address in public what is stated in public.

- b. Review themes from previous meetings
 - i. Parking Lot: Behavior Supports and Social-Emotional Interventions response to Brainerd Public Schools data from statewide collection.
 - 1. Brainerd Survey 2022
 - 2. Statewide Survey 2022
 - 3. Brainerd Survey 2019
 - 4. Brainerd Survey 2016

How can we communicate this information out in the future? *Policies support intent; intent = impact.

- c. Beginning of construction for recommendations
- 5. Briefly/Looking Ahead:
 - a. Braver Angels Skills for Bridging the Divide Workshop: Possible dates on a Sunday afternoon for April 2, 16, or 30. Other community organizations interested in supporting.
 i. April 30
 - b. Reporting to Board of Education:
 - c. Next Meeting: **DATE CHANGE** March 21, 3:15-4:30pm. Location: (Same) @ BHS Large Conference Room, E109.