



SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item 7.5

Meeting Date: June 7, 2018

Subject: Approve Resolution No. 3016: In Recognition of LGBTQ+ Pride Month, June 2018

- Information Item Only
- Approval on Consent Agenda
- Conference (for discussion only)
- Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated: _____)
- Conference/Action
- Action
- Public Hearing

Division: Board Office

Recommendation: Approve Resolution No. 3016: In Recognition of LGBTQ+ Pride Month, June 2018.

Background/Rationale: June 2018 has been designated as LGBTQ+ Pride Month. The District is committed to providing a Safe Haven for all students including the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer/Questioning (LGBTQ+) community or those that may be perceived as such. The month of June is an opportunity to highlight the identities and contributions of the LGBTQ community as well as work to combat bullying and harassment based on sexual orientation and gender expression in order better promote and foster a safe and respectful culture within the District.

Financial Considerations: None

LCAP Goal(s): Family and Community Empowerment; Safe, Emotionally Healthy and Engaged Students

Documents Attached:

1. Resolution No. 3016

Estimated Time of Presentation: 5 minutes

Submitted by: Ellen Cochrane, Board Member, Trustee Area 2

Approved by: Jorge A. Aguilar, Superintendent

**SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

RESOLUTION NO. 3016

RECOGNITION OF LGBTQ+ PRIDE MONTH, JUNE 2018

Whereas, The Sacramento City Unified School District advocates and promotes the safe, inclusive and respectful treatment of all our students as part of the District's Safe Haven efforts;

Whereas, The District is committed to providing a Safe Haven for all students including the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer/Questioning (LGBTQ+) community or those that may be perceived as such;

Whereas, The California Education Code, Section 200 ensures that all students receive equal access and rights to educational opportunities in public schools;

Whereas, the Sacramento City Unified School Districts commits to the implementation of the FAIR (Fair Accurate Inclusive and Respectful) Education Act into the K-12 grade history and social studies curriculum;

Whereas, The month of June is an opportunity to highlight the identities and contributions of the LGBTQ community;

Whereas, sexual orientation and gender expression biased bullying is among the most common form of harassment in schools;

Whereas, The significantly higher rates of school dropout, academic failure and school disengagement among LGBTQ+ youth across the country are attributed in part to peer harassment and bullying;

Whereas, LGBTQ+ youth are more likely to experience a mental health condition and at greater risk of suicide.

Whereas, The Connect Center is a critical District program for student, staff and community resources. The Connect Center provides trainings, activities, and lessons for and about LGBTQ+ identities and is committed to fostering a safe and respectful District, school and community culture;

Whereas, The Board of Education will vote to approve the updated Board Policy on Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming Youth on June 7, 2018 in order to further outline the services, supports and protections provided to such students and families; and

Whereas, By recognizing Pride Month, we support other policies, practices and curricula that honor and respect LGBTQ+ students, staff and their families.

Now, Therefore, be it Resolved, That the Sacramento City Unified Board of Education declares June 2018 as LGBTQ+ Pride Month and directs the Superintendent and all District staff to support lessons, activities, and conversations that engage students in meaningful learning, research and writing about our LGBTQ+ students and families.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Sacramento City Unified School District Board of Education on this 7th day of June, 2018, by the following vote:

AYES: _____
NOES: _____
ABSTAIN: _____
ABSENT: _____

ATTESTED TO:

Jorge A. Aguilar
Superintendent

Jessie Ryan
President of the Board of Education