

Monthly Report for JANUARY 2022 BOD/DA Meetings LGBTQ Subcommittee, of DEI Committee *Submitted by Mark Eckstein, Chair*

December, 2021 Monthly Highlights

(if more info is desired, kindly email: LGBTQ@MCCPTA.ORG)

- Attended Monthly MCPS **Pride Alliance** meeting. These meeting are facilitated by the organization's founders, Greg Edmondson and Melissa Regan. The work is organized within Buckets: Curriculum/PD, Representation, Safety
- Working with Jeanie Dawson and Seth Adams on broad issues related to **Inclusive/Safe Facilities** (Restrooms and Locker-rooms). Met with BOE Members, Harris and O'Looney about strategy.
- Met with parent of a MS student who needs help advocating for safe/affirming **Locker-rooms** for Transgender/Non-binary students.
- Worked with stakeholders at **Wood MS** about improving Locker-room and Restrooms
- Worked with Compliance Office to support Odessa Shannon MS **Transgender Teacher** who has been repeatedly subjected to harassment from students.
- Met with various MCPS Leaders regarding the response to **Damascus HS LGBTQ hate incident**
- **Toured SVHS** with Melissa Regan; the AP showed us the locker-room and restrooms.
- Met with MCPS Staff about their work to create the first-ever **LGBTQ Staff Affinity Group**.
- Attended meeting with HoCo Councilmember Office to discuss MoCo legislation regarding **single-use Restrooms** being "All-gender"
- Was interviewed by Rockville HS LGBTQ Student to discuss **intersection of TitleIX & LGBTQ** for her TV production project