



## **Maryland Commission on LGBTQIA+ Affairs**

### **Youth & Education Committee Meeting Minutes**

October 24, 2023 at 6:00pm - 7:30pm  
Zoom

#### Attendees:

Jabari Lyles, Committee Chair  
Kurt Doan, Committee Vice Chair  
Joan Bryan  
Lee Blinder  
Adrian Hinderlie  
Abraham Sadat  
Yael Astor  
Jeremy Browning, Director

#### Members Absent:

Joe Toolan

- I. Meeting called to order by Committee Chair, Jabari Lyles at 6:03pm.
- II. Acknowledgement of meeting guidelines.
- III. Approval of minutes from September 7, 2023: Commissioner Bryan motioned to approve minutes as presented and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Blinder. Motion carried with all in favor.
- IV. Old Business: Strategy for rollout of Recommendation for Supporting LGBTQIA+ Students. The Recommendations were approved at the September 11th full Commission meeting and have been shared with the public. There was a discussion regarding next steps:
  - A. Endorsement from the Governor's Office and MSDE is desired.
  - B. Are there examples of what other Commissions have done?
  - C. Many counties are not supportive of our LGBTQIA+ students and we're seeing things go backwards.
  - D. Connect with National Association of Social Work (NASW), Maryland Association of School Principals, local PFLAG chapters, Pride organizations, local GSAs, teachers unions, etc.
  - E. Next Steps:
    1. Create a list of allied organizations for outreach.
    2. Push Recommendations within our networks.
    3. Director Browning to request meetings with members of the Youth

- and Education Committee and the Governor's Office and MSDE.
- 4. Reevaluate progress and strategy in 1-2 months.
- 5. Schedule next Youth & Education Committee meeting for early December.
- V. New Business: 2024 Policy Priorities discussion:
  - A. Need to build infrastructure around the state and connect with community members and allies.
  - B. Develop a script for building support, testimony templates, and how to respond to questions.
- VI. Meeting adjourned at 6:56pm. Commissioner Bryan made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Commissioner Doan. Motion carried with all in favor.

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Jeremy Browning