

PA Diversity Equity Inclusion Committee
October 17, 2016
6 pm to 7:30 pm

Co-chairs: Amanda Lewis, Beth Richie, Veronica Anderson

Approximately 30 parents, faculty and administrators attended the committee kick-off meeting.

David Fithian, UChicago EVP, shared his update on the search for a new director for Lab and clarified the roles of the search committee, Lab School Board and the University Office of the President in the process. He noted that the listening sessions with the school community had resulted in adding unrepresented voices to the search committee. He concluded with an invitation to parents to weigh in on the position description and submit the names of candidates. Then, he took questions.

Next, Amanda gave an update on the AIM climate survey and ISACS review. Copies of the full report for each are available in the high school library.

During the working portion of the meeting, parents agreed with the schedule for monthly meetings and signed up for the following subcommittees:

- Community engagement
- Data and transparency
- Affinity groups
- Ad-hoc Lab director search
- Program

There was also much interest in spreading the word more widely about PA DEI Committee meetings and sharing minutes from the meetings. Suggestions included posting meeting notices and proceedings on the FB Lab Moms and Dads page.

The meeting wrapped up just after a brief brainstorming session on programs and next steps. The next meeting of the Lab PA DEI Committee will be Nov. 7.