

14 March 2023 Meeting – Pronouns at South Side

Attendees:

Date: 14 March 2023, 7pm

Action Items from last meeting:

Item	Owner	Due	Status
Mark Title IX questions that were answered during solicitor perspective and send to Sharon	Farin	14 March	
Mark PA Constitution questions that were answered during solicitor perspective and send to Sharon	Jackie	14 March	
Draft up teacher questions and send to Sharon	Barb	End of Feb	Completed
Secure date for administration / Title IX, try for 3 rd or 4 th Wed	Craig and Farin	End of Feb	In progress
Share teacher questions and letter with Mr. Fritz for review	Barb/Sharon	After questions	Completed
Find out if meetings can be recorded	School Board	Before 14 March	

Agenda:

1. Welcome!
2. Ground rules on participation, open-mindedness and approach
 - a. Keep an open mind
 - b. Seek to understand with empathy
 - c. Participate
3. Perspectives
 - a. Listen to biblical perspective: Jocelyn Johnston
 - b. Listen to biblical perspective: John Goebbel
 - c. Questions for this perspective:
 - i. What does scripture say about male / female?
 - ii. In what way would a transgender child be considered sinful?
 - iii. Do you address heart and mental health issues?
 - iv. Do you set clear boundaries on respect?
 - v. Have you ever changed your stance on loving your neighbor?
 - vi. State vs local
 - vii. What is the purpose of education?
 - viii. Separation of church and state was started – why?
 - ix. What part of the Bible discourages or vilifies transgender?
 - x. Which of the six versions of the Bible are we talking about?
 - xi. How are we all made in God's image?
 - xii. Do other religious books offer guidance or advice? Torah, Koran, etc?
 - xiii. What perspective do our founding fathers place on the Bible?

- xiv. What is the relevance of the Bible to the issue of pronouns?
- xv. How do we keep God's Word in ever-changing times?
- xvi. What religious views do LGBTQ+ folks believe?
- xvii. Would Jesus accept a transgender as such?
- xviii. Are all people created equal?

4. Status updates

- a. Graduates who have transitioned – Brenda
- b. Title IX – Farin
- c. Administration – Craig
- d. PA State Constitution – Jackie
- e. Bible – Travis
- f. Parents / families of transgender students – Jim
- g. Teachers – Barb
- h. Mental Health Professionals – Metta
- i. Solicitor / Lawyers – Bob

5. Public Comment

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Next meetings and tentative speakers:

28 Mar - Parents/families of transgender kids
 4 April - Mental Health Professionals
 25 April – Do Not Harm (Medical)