



Working Group on Student Protections from Harassment and Discrimination in Schools

October 2, 2023, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

AGENDA

Microsoft Teams Virtual Meeting
Call In: 1-802-828-7667
Conference ID: 215 044 032#

Per [Act 29 of 2023 Section 5a](#), a Working Group on Student Protections from Harassment and Discrimination in Schools is created. The purpose is to study and give recommendations for how to address harassment and discrimination experienced by students.

Working Group (WG) Members: **Heather Bouchey**, AOE, Secretary of Education; **Amanda Garces**, Vermont Human Rights Commission (HRC), Director of Policy, Education and Outreach; **Sarah Robinson**, Vermont Network Against Domestic & Sexual Violence, Deputy Director; **Rebecca McBroom**, Vermont-NEA, General Counsel; **Heather Lynn**, Vermont School Boards Association (VSBA), Attorney; **Jay Nichols**, Vermont Principals' Association (VPA), Executive Director; **Chelsea Myers**, Vermont Superintendents Association (VSA), Associate Executive Director; **V Pearson**, Director of Organizing, Outright VT, Executive Director; **Xusana Davis**, Executive Director of Racial Equity; **Lynn Stanley-Currier**, Vermont Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW), Executive Director; **Cammie Naylor**, Vermont Legal Aid (VLA); **Henri Sparks**, Harassment, Hazing, and Bullying Prevention Advisory Council (HHB), Chair.

Minute Takers: Bouchey, Myers, Robinson, Garces.

- 9:00 a.m.** Call to Order, Roll Call, Amendments to Agenda
- 9:05 a.m.** Approval of Draft Meeting [Minutes for September 11, 2023](#)
- 9:10 a.m.** Public to be Heard
- 9:20 a.m.** Continued Discussion: Severe and Pervasive Standards in Harassment
- 9:45 a.m.** Resources for Schools and Supports for Students – Heather Lynn and Jay Nichols
On the Ground Perspective of Processes – Sparks
- 10:55 a.m.** Other
- 11:00 a.m.** Adjourn