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INTEGRATION TASK FORCE

Minutes of Meeting

Tuesday, March 13, 1979

Hal BROWN

-- Met with Kolender and Judge Welsh last Tuesday and representatives of the plantiffs and defendants. Discussed concerns presented to the Judge from the plantiffs; most were resolved. As a result, Judge decided to rescind an order made earlier involving communication between the plantiff and defendant and Task Force. He also modified the Charge on the involvement of the community and civic groups. Modification was distributed to Task Force members. Plantiff concerned they are not getting certain information that Task Force was giving to school district; they didn't have the same opportunity to be heard. At the end of the discussion, the Judge thought it not wise to plan to rescind that part of the order. He would also alter part of the charge made on receiving information on community and civic organizations. There was a feeling of relief regarding these concerns at the end of the meeting.
All parties concerned may approach Task Force members -- communication wide open.

-- Appointed Jim Anderson as part of committee appointed by Kolender (Ragsdale/Castro/Judy McDonald) to come up with a plan to implement how TF is going to comply with the Judge's order. Committee will convene on Thursday. Will discuss with Judge meetings to be held in the school areas -- committee will get involved. Report back to the Task Force what the plan will be -- need to do something and quickly. Need to set up whatever is necessary to accomplish this review or the receiving of information from the community -- need to give people in the community an opportunity to speak to the Task Force.

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-- Advertise through the schools - encourage parents to come and appear before the Task Force -- put boxes in the schools for written communication to Task Force.

There was a general discussion on how the above committee should proceed and it was agreed by the members that the committee would come up with a plan and present it in writing to each Task Force member for consideration/implementation.

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-- Introduced Anna Cazares, the Executive Secretary selected last Friday, March 9th; she will begin her duties Monday, March 19, 1979.
-- Report to the Judge due March 13th.
-- Monitor reports due.

There was a general discussion regarding the Monitor reports.

-- del CAMPO - condensed his report to show specifics; no judgmental factors involved.
-- Tom JOHNSON - Task Force should agree on the report to the Judge prior to it being sent; they, as a body, should concur and approve the report.
-- Hal BROWN - Task Force doesn't have procedures to follow. Now is the time to submit procedures to follow in preparing the next report to the Judge.
-- Judi KEEP - Kolender should talk to the Judge to see what type of material he wants in the report.
-- del CAMPO - suggested a standard form to be used by Task Force members to ask questions of each monitor in preparation of their report to the Chairman.
-- Hal BROWN - appointed Phil del Campo and Tom Johnson to develop a form and present it to the Task Force.
-- H. RAGSDALE - stated he was appointed to the committee to meet with Judge Welsh; he was not notified of the meeting date/time; he would like to ask the Judge some questions he has.
-- Elvira DIAZ - made the motion, seconded by J. Keep, to submit the monitor reports to Kolender and Brown for their review and put together a draft, to be reviewed by the Task Force, before submitting it to the Judge. Guidelines should be established for preparation of the next report to the Judge.
-- Hal BROWN -- Each Task Force member will submit their Monitor reports to Kolender -- we will then review, evaluate and write a draft report to the Judge which will be circulated to all Task Force members for their review.

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-- At the last Task Force meeting, each member was given the go ahead to recruit new monitors. Procedures should be developed for the selection

and removal of monitors, also the training.

-- H. RAGSDALE - Has only one active monitor -- two schools with no monitors - needs monitors now -- situation critical.

The first monitors will be assigned to H. Ragsdale.

Task Force members were asked how many monitors were needed now -- approximately 20; monitor applications will be mailed to TF members.

There was a general discussion and it was agreed that the Chairman should be responsible for screening monitor applicants and to see that they are trained.

-- Payne JOHNSON to draft a news release asking for monitors.

There was a general discussion regarding the procedure to follow regarding the removal of a monitor. Upon recommendation of a Task Force member that a monitor is not doing the job, creating problems, etc., the Chairman should be notified for the action to be taken.

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Status report on committees.

Committee to Evaluate Quality Education

-- Jim ANDERSON - had one meeting; suggestions on how to proceed. Will contact Unified School and San Diego State.

Human Race Relations

-- Judy McDONALD - haven't met; haven't done anything as yet.

-- Beverly YIP - for the learning center committee, most information is there; ethnic make up is available; know what teacher composition is; they have their own specific HRR program.

-- Elvira DIAZ - need to receive specific training as to how to make observations which would include observations of cultural groups.

-- Ann HUNSAKER and Mel LOPEZ developed a working sheet on Human Relations.

Hal BROWN

-- Phil del Campo and Tom Johnson to coordinate with Kolender -- take plaintiff material, go through it, conduct a training session for the Task Force.

-- training for the monitors is needed - it should be in September.

-- are we clear on what the policy would be as far as announcing our visits to the school? Agreed on openness; what material is cleared with principal.

-- evaluation of teachers in the site unit project --- does each school have a site project which is a special project, and if so, what do we do about it? Need to think about so that Task Force is in accord with it.

-- Judi KEEP - Privacy Act prohibits releasing names of students and parents to Task Force. Memo being written that the school will mail out -- requesting total numbers, i.e., how many parents and students drop out of the program or those deciding not to participate -- info will be given to Task Force members.

Members absent: Kolender (out of town)
O'Campo (in L.A.)
Lopez (called 3/13, unable to attend)
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