Social Justice Seminar – Champaign Unit 4 School District

Creating Communities of Care: Supporting LGBTQ Students, Families, and Staff

5:00 pm – 6:30 pm – Mellon Board Room
February 28, 2017

Welcome, Introduction, Norms
LGBTQ Panel
Centennial GSA Transgender Presentation
Transgender Concerns/LGBTQ Laws
Table Talk/Question Identification
Question and Answer Session
LGBTQ District Video

Laura Taylor
Ondine Gross- Centennial
Ed Yohnka- ACLU
Angi Franklin- Jefferson

History and Purpose of the Social Justice Initiative

During the 2012-2013 school year the social justice committee focused on learning about social justice by studying relevant literature and engaging in collaborative learning sessions. The committee generated a definition of social justice and a social justice framework for our district. The framework, agendas, meeting notes, and documents can be found at http://www.champaignschools.org/social-justice in English and Spanish. Having met the two goals of creating the definition and framework, planners now provide professional development and project opportunities via social justice seminars and topic specific task forces/initiatives. For more information, please contact the following:

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Unit 4 understands social justice as a continual commitment to thoughtfully consider and actively challenge societal norms that privilege some and not others.