

Planning Meeting
Thursday 6/10/21
3:30pm

Agenda:

Final planning meeting - Finalize plans for 21-22 school year.

Minutes:

- Tom Liss: December conference - Diversity, equity, inclusivity (DEI)
 - Dr. Fergus interested
 - Reasonable quote - Around \$3,000.00
 - Want someone who is a well known (published author) with reasonable price
 - Other notable speakers= Over \$10,000.00
 - Discussion ensued regarding specific content that would be covered/discussed. Different levels of DEI - Will do a "basic" presentation that will discuss inclusivity in school regardless of background/race
 - Tom will get in touch with him and provide him Sal's information

Dr. Fergus Background: <https://education.temple.edu/about/faculty-staff/edward-fergus-tuh42458>

Dr. Eddie Fergus is an applied researcher at Temple University. His work explores the effects of educational policy and practice as it intersects the lives of populations living in vulnerable conditions. More specifically, his policy work extrapolates the relationship between discipline codes of conduct, gifted program practice, and academic referral processes and the educational outcomes of low-income and racial/ethnic minority student populations. This work also outlines policy and practice changes in order for schools to develop as protective environments for vulnerable populations. Dr. Fergus consults on these policy and practice changes with state departments of education (e.g., California and Texas) and the U.S. Department of Justice on disproportionality. Additionally, his publications include basic research on educational outcomes of populations in vulnerable conditions, and data workbooks focused on monitoring policy and practice changes.

- October Workshop:
 - Sal: Will take place at Hanover Manor, possible for December as well.
 - Difference between Manor and Madison Hotel is about \$4,000.00
 - Discussion regarding location of events. If we like what they have, we can have both our October and December events at the Manor next year.
- Treasury/Membership:
 - Sal: End year June 30th
 - Little more than \$26,000 in our account

- Not too many expenses this year due to COVID
- 117 members, 8 less than the previous school year

- Regional Meetings:
 - Sal: Spoke to Bob Murphy. Two dates= November 10th and April 6th 3:30-6:30
 - At Casa Bella
 - Discussion regarding costs/responsibility for dinner/drinks

- Vendors:
 - No vendors on October 6th
 - Will schedule vendors for December

- Chat N Chews:
 - Discussion. Decision to wait planning until September. "See what September looks like and what district regulations are."

- Invitation from President:
 - Mid/late July - Kathleen will send an invite for August 19th at Casa Bella
 - Forward to new administrators and members in surrounding counties

- October 6th workshop:
 - Sal: Contact him and everything is done.
 - Cost= \$1,000.00
 - Kathy will touch base with Dr. Maurice Elias to get biography

Dr. Maurice Elias Biography:

Maurice J. Elias, Ph.D., is Professor, Psychology Department, Rutgers University, Director, Social-Emotional and Character Development Lab(www.secdlab.org), Co-Director of the Rutgers-based Academy for SEL in Schools, which offers online certificates in SEL Instruction and School Leadership (SELinSchools.org) and a member of the Leadership Team for SEL4NJ and SEL4US (www.SEL4US.org). He received the Joseph E. Zins Memorial Senior Scholar Award for Social-Emotional Learning from CASEL, the Sanford McDonnell Award for Lifetime Achievement in Character Education, and the Jane Bostrum Service to School Psychology Award. Maurice is a past winner of the Lela Rowland Prevention Award, the Ernest McMahon Class of 1930 Award for service to New Jersey, and the American Psychological Association/Society for Community Research and Action's Distinguished Contribution to Practice and Ethnic Minority Mentoring awards. Books include *Emotionally Intelligent Parenting*, *The Educator's Guide to Emotional Intelligence and Academic Achievement: Social-Emotional Learning in the Classroom*, and *The Other Side of the Report Card: Assessing Students' Social, Emotional, and Character Development* (how schools and districts can integrate SECD systematically into their ongoing student report cards—Corwin Press). Most recently, he is the coauthor of *The Joys & Oys of Parenting: Insights and Wisdom from the Jewish Tradition* (2016, Behrman House), *Boost Emotional Intelligence in Students: 30 Flexible Research-Based Lessons to Build EQ Skills*, *Nurturing Students' Character: Everyday Teaching Activities for*

Social-Emotional Learning, and Social-Emotional Learning Lab: A Comprehensive SEL Resource Kit (2021, with Victoria Poedubicky).

He writes a blog on SECD for Edutopia (www.edutopia.org/profile/maurice-j-elias) and can be reached at secdlab@gmail.com. Twitter handles are @SELinSchools and @SECDLab.

- Retirement Committee - Robert Kramer:
 - Originally announced date of June 23rd, but is June 22nd
 - At Windlass - 12:30pm
 - Current employees welcome to join
 - Add a question to the survey - Is there a speaker you would recommend?

Final Calendar:

June 22, 2021

Retirees Meeting

At The Windlass in Hopatcong

August 19, 2021 from 4:30-6:30pm

Welcome New Members

At Casa Bella

October 6, 2021 4:00-6:30

Dr. Maurice Elias speaking on SEL

At Hanover Manor

November 10, 2021 from 3:30-6:30pm

Regional Meeting with NJPSA

At Casa Bella

December 3, 2021 from 9:00-11:30? and members 11:30-2:30?

Dr. Edward Fergus-Arcia speaking on DEI

At Madison Hotel

April 6, 2021

Regional Meeting with NJPSA from 3:30-6:30pm

At Casa Bella