

03/26/19 CPC Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

CPC Reps	Other Attendees
<p>Gloria West - Young Achievers - Co-Chair Matt Savage - Eliot K-8 - Co-Chair Nicol Riley - Sumner - Co-Chair William Tabb - Channing - Co-Chair Joanne Freeman - BAA - Treasurer Lauren Margharita - Haley K-8 - Secretary Jacqui Bartley - Murphy K-8 - Alternate Secretary Ann Malone - BLS Christopher Fung - Russell Lucas Orwig - Hernandez K-8 Steve Lewis - Lyndon K-8 Neathery Brenzel - Mission Hill K-8 Tara Humphries - Mason Paula Fleming - Mary Lyon K-8 Chris Martell - Kenny Julie Smith-Bartoloni - Boston Latin Academy Brian Bertges - Guild Ashley Mahanama - Eliot K-8 Shari Perry-Wallace - O'Bryant William Tabb - Channing Michelle LeBlanc - Mendell Blanca - Alighieri Montessori Jack Keleher - Warren-Prescott Phil Mente- Philbrick Matt Savage - Eliot K-8</p>	<p>Cyntoria Grant - BPS Office of Engagement Christina Louis BPS Office of Engagement Rachel Weinstein - Boston Compact Elise Swinford - Boston Compact Alain Jehlen - Schoolyard News Katie Rockman - Isaacson Miller Bobby Jenkins - BEJA Tiffani Jackson - Parent Organizer, BEJA Lisa Jeanne Graf - Mission Hill/"Build BPS Right"</p>

- 1. Update from Supt Search Committee firm - Katie Rockman - Isaacson Miller**
 - Started off in the fall of 2018 with listening tour which developed into the job description
 - Winter months spent reviewing applicants, Spring months finalized candidates
 - 150 candidates initially expressed interest
 - Narrowed down to 57 candidates: 13 female, 44 male
 - 39 candidates decided to submit an application
 - Next steps: finalist visits will be public, open forums in April
 - Most of the information Katie shared can be found here on the BPS website
<https://www.bostonpublicschools.org/superintendentsearch>
 - Katie says CPC can put together a list of questions they would like candidates to be asked

- The number of final candidates is not predetermined
- A parent asked what metrics are used during candidate selection? Commented that interviews may not be the best measure

2. **Boston Compact** - Rachel Weinstein www.bostoncompact.org

- Gave history of Compact. Mayor Menino initiative with a goal of BPS, Catholic and Charter schools collaborating
- Public became aware of Boston Compact when they launched their Unified Enrollment concept 4-5 years ago, which was not well received
- Fiscal sponsor is Boston Private Industry Council. Almost entirely grant funded
- Partners include BPS, the Mayor's Office, Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Boston, MA Charter Association and CPlan. Their website shows the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation as a supporter although Rachel says they are no longer involved
- Each member pays \$10,000 annually to be part of the Compact
- Boston and Philadelphia are the only cities that have "3 way compact" agreements
- Boston Compact has a Transportation Committee made up mostly of BPS transportation staff. State law requires that district transport BPS, charter and parochial students
- BPS has agreed to add a pilot onto their annual School Climate Survey. Compact collected information from 400 BPS, Charter and Parochial families to come up with the 9 additional questions BPS parents will see when they complete the survey. BPS agreed to release district level data if 30% of schools complete the survey. Unclear which data and who it will be released to
- Intent of survey is for parents to get a sense of what's important to families across school types
- As one of the Compact partners, CPlan contributed to the School Climate Survey

3. **By Laws Committee update**

- Committee members so far: Gloria West Young Achievers K-8, Matt Savage Eliot K-8, Lucas Orwig Hernandez K-8, Ashley Mahanama Eliot K-8, Brian Bertges, Danielle Costello, and Regina McClay, former rep for EMK High School
- Brian Bertges from the Guild summarized first meeting of By Laws committee
- Utilized the BART model which stands for: Boundaries Authorities Roles Tasks
- Will work on mission statement first and vision statement next
- Lucas explained his understanding of vision vs mission
- Reviewed initial mission statement written by the committee for CPC feedback: **"We are parent advocates who care for the equity of all children in the City of Boston. Through effective communication & collaboration with community stakeholders, we will create one voice- one vision to engage the whole child."**
- Reps seemed to generally agree it should include "BPS children" as opposed to "all children in the City of Boston"
- Secretary will email out the Mission Statement and reps can provide feedback
- Next meeting is Saturday 03/30 from 1-4pm

4. “Build BPS Right” - Lisa Jeanne Graf - Mission Hill K-8

- Lisa came to talk about the petition she and McCormack teacher Neema Avashia started in the wake of the West Roxbury Academy closing and the announcement to also close the McCormack Middle School
- Main goals include: Enshrining a community centered process for changes to school buildings and school communities; Creating greater transparency around decision-making; Enacting an equity analysis at each stage of the process to ensure fair treatment of vulnerable student populations
- Would love CPC support. Petition here: <https://www.change.org/p/help-build-bps-right>

5. Health and Wellness Committee update - Ashley Mahanama - Eliot K-8 BPS

- 103 schools have a Health and Wellness committees, down from 104 last year
- BPS shared data with Ashley and she noticed that there was a lack of parent representation on schools' committees
- CPC has been primarily concerned with physical activity and health education in the past
- Most individual school Wellness Councils had representation of Physical Education type staff and this was reflected in Action Plans that included physical education goals. In contrast, few of the Wellness Councils had goals around comprehensive health education. This may be due to a lack of health educators at schools/ on the Wellness Councils, and a lack of parent involvement on these committees.
- CPC voted Ashley Mahanama, the Eliot K-8 rep, to re-join the Health and Wellness Committee, and for Ann Malone from BLS to be the alternate

6. CPC Committees

- Ran out of time to discuss committees
- Shared below table on the agenda of original committees vs committees reps had agreed on last year
- See last page for description of committees/ideas from last year's brainstorming session
- Will share by email and try to solicit reps for each committee

7. Announcements

- Monday 04/01: Parent Leaders' Quarterly Meeting with Superintendent
6-7:30pm School Committee Room, Bolling Building. **Childcare provided**
- Idling Buses - anyone concerned who wants to talk to BU Journalism student?
- Boston Coalition for Education Equity March and budget rally 03/27
- Promise Act, attempt to fix outdated FBRC State funding formula (Fund Our Future). To read up on the Promise Act, and see if you State Rep and Senator have co-sponsored, go here: <https://www.senatorchangdiaz.com/education-promise-act>

Other District Committees - Looking for people to sit on these committees

- BPS Quarterly Parent Leadership - **Monthly**
- Community Engagement Advisory Council (CEAC) - district's efforts to enlist with constituent based organizations and community members to help BPS deeply engage all members of our community and every stakeholder group regarding initiatives and policies. BPS seeks to increase public engagement and rebuild trust and confidence with stakeholders - **Monthly**
- The Boston School Committee School Quality Workgroup II (SQW) - **Monthly**

Next CPC Meetings and Locations:

April 30th - Room 6-65, Bolling Building - Guest Sonia Chang-Diaz

May 28th - Room 6-65, Bolling Building

June 25th - School Committee Room, Bolling Building - **to be confirmed**

September 24th - School Committee Room, Bolling Building

October 29th - School Committee Room, Bolling Building

Old Committees	New Committees
Outreach Taskforce	Internal CPC - I think a better name would be CPC Communications
School Quality	Access to Quality Schools
Budget	Budget
Transportation	Transportation
Health and Wellness	Technology and Safety
Facilities	Facilities
By Laws	By Laws
ELT (Extended Learning Time)	n/a?
	Inclusion
	CPC Development - just one committee, CPC Communications
	Out of School Time
	Build BPS??

Committee	Priorities	Members
Outreach Taskforce/Internal CPC. (or "CPC Outreach and Communications"?)	a. Systems (website, communication/social media, Google Group) b. Structure (involvement/ engagement, childcare, BPS engagement)	Lauren Margharita Sharri Perry-Wallace Angie Camacho Steve Lewis
Access to Quality Schools (School Quality?)	a. Create parent tool kit on CPC website b. Create a definition of what a quality school is/should be	Meghan Doran (not a rep this year?)
Health and Wellness/ Technology and Safety?	a. Yoga/meditation/exercise; b.sexual conduct, socialization, coding gender, social media, bullying, violence	Ashley Mahanama
Facilities (and Build BPS?)	a. Bathrooms: create standards connected to BPS health standards about what should be in each bathroom and in what condition b. Investigate Build BPS plans (respond to?)	Andrea Brown (not a rep this year?)
Instructional Quality - should we merge with Access to Quality Schools?	Excellence for All, Advanced Work, Extended Learning Time (how tracked, how working, differing implementations, outcomes, how teachers are being supported, when is AWC going away, etc. – will email BPS contacts to get answers)	
CPC By Laws		Gloria West Matt Savage Lucas Orwig Ashley Mahanama Brian Bertges Danielle Costello Regina McClay
Budget		
Transportation		