

**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
COMMITTEE REPORT**

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

DRAFT

TO: All Councilmembers

FROM: Chairman Phil Mendelson
Committee of the Whole

DATE: July 13, 2021

SUBJECT: Report on PR 24-255, the “Commission on Out of School Time Grants and Youth Outcomes Walter Peacock Confirmation Resolution of 2021”

The Committee of the Whole, to which PR 24-255, the “Commission on Out of School Time Grants and Youth Outcomes Walter Peacock Confirmation Resolution of 2021” was referred, reports favorably thereon, and recommends approval by the Council.

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I. BACKGROUND AND NEED

Proposed Resolution 24-255, the “Commission on Out of School Time Grants and Youth Outcomes Walter Peacock Confirmation Resolution of 2021,” was introduced by Chairman Mendelson at the request of the Mayor on May 20, 2021 and referred to the Committee of the Whole. The purpose of PR 24-255 is to confirm the Mayor’s nomination of Mr. Walter Peacock for reappointment to the Commission on Out of School Time Grants and Youth Outcomes, to serve for a term to end on November 7, 2023.

The Commission is a public body composed of engaged residents and representatives from government agencies to support equitable access to high-quality OST programs for District of Columbia youth through coordination among government agencies, targeted grant-making, data collection and evaluation, and the provision of training, capacity building, and technical assistance to OST providers. The Commission will provide resources and support to ensure a citywide system of high-quality OST programs.

The Commission shall consist of no more than 21 members who represent key community stakeholder constituencies or are District agency administrative heads or their designees. The Commission members are:

Council Resolution	Member Name	Position	Term Expiration
PR 24-251	Margaret Siegel	Mayoral Appointee, Public Member (Pending)	November 7, 2023*
PR 24-252	Dr. Kenneth Taylor	Mayoral Appointee, Public Member (Pending)	November 7, 2023*
PR 24-253	Matthew Hanson	Mayoral Appointee, Public Member (Pending)	November 7, 2023*
PR 24-254	Rev. Gary Hill	Mayoral Appointee, Public Member (Pending)	November 7, 2023*
PR 24-255	Walter Peacock	Mayoral Appointee, Public Member (Pending)	November 7, 2023*
	Margot Berkey	Mayoral Appointee, DC Agency Representative	Ex Officio
	Tanisha Brown	Mayoral Appointee, DC Agency Representative	Ex Officio
PR 22-0457	Tacharna Crump	Mayoral Appointee, Public Member	November 7, 2020
	Vanessa Gerideau	Mayoral Appointee, DC Agency Representative	Ex Officio
	Laura Harding	Mayoral Appointee, DC Agency Representative	Ex Officio
PR 22-0458	Mark Hecker	Mayoral Appointee, Public Member	November 7, 2020
PR 23-0708	Burnell Holland	Mayoral Appointee, Public Member	November 7, 2022
	LeKisha Jordan	DC Chairman / Council Appointee	
	Jiselle O'Neal	Mayoral Appointee, DC Agency Representative	Ex Officio
PR 23-0709	Heather Peeler	Mayoral Appointee, Public Member	November 7, 2022
PR 23-0707	Jason Spector	Mayoral Appointee, Public Member	November 7, 2022
	Mila Yochum	Mayoral Appointee, DC Agency Representative	Ex Officio
	Myles Cliff	Mayoral Appointee, DC Agency Representative	Ex Officio
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*Expiration date is 2023 if appointed; nominations are pending at the Council.

Mr. Peacock has been serving on the Commission since 2017, and currently serves as chair. He is an experienced community outreach professional who focuses on athletics and youth issues. Previously, he was a public servant, working at the DC Department of Insurance, Securities, &

Banking's Bank on DC collaborative program. He is an alumnus of the Mayor Marion Barry Summer Youth Employment Program. He also served as chairman of the youth mentorship nonprofit arm of his Pan-Hellenic fraternal organization, Kappa Alpha Psi. He is an engineer, computer scientist, and classical violinist by training. He is a former champion track runner. Should his renomination be confirmed, Mr. Peacock hopes to continue his contributions to improving out of school time opportunities for DC's youth.

Based on his continued commitment to the mission of the Commission, his civic leadership, and his expertise regarding youth mentorship and out of school programs, the Committee recommends the reappointment of Mr. Peacock to the Commission on Out of School Time Grants and Youth Outcomes. The Committee recommends adoption of PR 24-255.

II. LEGISLATIVE CHRONOLOGY

May 20, 2021	PR 24-255, the "Commission on Out of School Time Grants and Youth Outcomes Walter Peacock Confirmation Resolution of 2021" is introduced by Chairman Mendelson at the request of the Mayor.
May 28, 2021	Notice of Intent to Act on PR 24-255 is published in the DC Register.
June 1, 2021	PR 24-255 is "read" at a Committee of the Whole meeting; on this date the referral of the PR to the Committee of the Whole is official and the 45-day period for Council review begins.
June 28, 2021	Notice of the public roundtable is filed in the Office of the Secretary.
June 29, 2021	Notice of the public roundtable is filed in the Office of the Secretary.
July 9, 2021	The Committee of the Whole convenes a public roundtable on PR 24-255.
July 13, 2021	The Committee of the Whole marks up PR 24-255.

III. POSITION OF THE EXECUTIVE

Mr. Peacock is the Mayor's nominee for appointment to the Commission on Out of School Time Grants and Youth Outcomes.

IV. COMMENTS OF ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSIONS

The Committee received no testimony or comments from any Advisory Neighborhood Commission on PR 24-255.

V. SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY

The Committee of the Whole held a public roundtable on four Commission on Out of School Time Grants and Youth Outcomes nominations, including PR 24-255, on Thursday, July

9, 2021. The testimony summarized below is from that hearing. Submitted copies of testimony are attached to this report.

Walter Peacock, Appointee, testified and answered questions from Chairman Mendelson regarding his background and experience as it pertains to the Commission and his interest in serving another term on the Commission.

Mr. Peacock indicated that he has served as both chair and vice chair of the commission, and that he is honored to have received such an impactful public service appointment so early in his professional career. He is a recent graduate of Howard University's political science program, and a third-generation resident of Ward 7. However, in his childhood, his family moved to California, enabling Mr. Peacock to broaden his perspective. One consistent factor throughout his childhood was his mother's insistence on enrolling him and his sister in the finest OST programs wherever they were. This enabled him to become a Division I collegiate athlete and a professional concert violinist. Similarly, his sister parlayed her experiences in OST programs to become a student at Stanford University, studying STEM, computer science, and artificial intelligence, and received a scholarship from Amazon to fund her education. As a product of OST programs everywhere he grew up, he reiterated his eagerness to use his skills, network, and experiences to give back to today's youth.

Mr. Peacock explained that he uses his knowledge to study what is and is not working when reviewing grants and grant proposals on the Commission. He described how commissioners often spend hours debating just a handful of sentences in official documentation, which demonstrates their passion for their responsibilities. As the Commission is quite new, Mr. Peacock told of an initial learning curve as it determined its operations and official language. However, that curve has since flattened, and he spends about 1-2 hours preparing for each meeting, which then each last 2-3 hours. Part of the initial learning curve was that the Commission did not meet weekly as it was establishing its rhythm. He elaborated on the Commission's goal of returning to normal operations, as the pandemic derailed its finalization of these plans. He indicated that Commissioners get along with each other but have productive disagreements about policy details. Critically, the Commissioners have had important discussions on how to judge quality for OST programs. For example, IT programs are vastly different from athletic programs, in terms of their means, goals, and outcomes. Further, the Commission could evaluate programs individually or all of them holistically. Theoretically, a District student could get therapeutic value from simply playing a pickup basketball game in a safe, structured environment. No two students and no two programs are the same. Finally, Mr. Peacock highlighted the Commission's 2019-2022 Strategic Plan, approved on August 8th, 2019.

Mr. Peacock reiterated that he is current on his taxes owed to all jurisdictions, has no conflicts of interest, anticipates no future conflicts of interest, has time to serve, and that the current time he dedicates to the Commission is reasonable.

VI. IMPACT ON EXISTING LAW

The Commission on Out of School Time Grants and Youth Outcomes is established pursuant to D.C. Code § 2-1555.02. PR 24-255 is an exercise of the Council's discretion to approve

or disapprove Mayoral nominations to Boards and Commissions, pursuant to the Confirmation Act of 1978 (D.C. Law 2-142; D.C. Code § 1-523.01).

VII. FISCAL IMPACT

The Office of the Chief Financial Officer indicates that a Fiscal Impact Statement is not needed for a confirmation. Commission members are not compensated for their service.

VIII. SECTION-BY-SECTION ANALYSIS

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| <u>Section 1</u> | States the short title of PR 24-255. |
| <u>Section 2</u> | Confirms the reappointment of Mr. Walter Peacock to the Commission on Out of School Time Grants and Youth Outcomes, as a mayoral appointee, to serve a term ending November 7, 2023. |
| <u>Section 3</u> | Requires that a copy of the resolution, upon adoption, be transmitted to the appointee, the chairperson of the Commission, and to the Mayor. |
| <u>Section 4</u> | Provides that PR 24-255 shall take effect immediately. |

IX. COMMITTEE ACTION

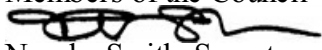
X. ATTACHMENTS

1. PR 24-255 as introduced.
2. Nominee's responses to Committee pre-hearing and post-hearing questions.
3. Written Testimony and Comments.
4. Legal Sufficiency Review.
5. Committee Print for PR 24-255.

<https://www.linkedin.com/in/walter-peacock-85b7a5180/>
<https://lims.dccouncil.us/Legislation/PR24-0255>

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington D.C. 20004

Memorandum

To : Members of the Council
From :  Nyasha Smith, Secretary to the Council
Date : Monday, May 24, 2021
Subject : Referral of Proposed Legislation

Notice is given that the attached proposed legislation was introduced in the Office of the Secretary on Thursday, May 20, 2021. Copies are available in Room 10, the Legislative Services Division.

TITLE: "Commission on Out of School Time Grants and Youth Outcomes Walter Peacock Confirmation Resolution of 2021", PR24-0255

INTRODUCED BY: Chairman Mendelson, at the request of Mayor

The Chairman is referring this legislation to Committee of the Whole. This resolution will be deemed approved on Saturday, September 18, 2021 without Council action.

Attachment
cc: General Counsel
Budget Director
Legislative Services



MURIEL BOWSER
MAYOR

May 20, 2021

The Honorable Phil Mendelson
Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia
John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 504
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

In accordance with section 2 of the Confirmation Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-142; D.C. Official Code § 1-523.01), and pursuant to section 6 of the Office of Out of School Time Grants and Youth Outcomes Establishment Act of 2016, effective April 7, 2017 (D.C. Law 21-261; D.C. Official Code § 2-1551.05), I am pleased to nominate the following person:

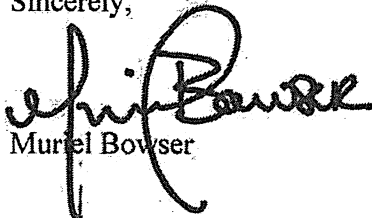
Mr. Walter Peacock
Pennsylvania Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20020
(Ward 7)


for reappointment as a nongovernmental member of the Commission on Out of School Time Grants and Youth Outcomes, for a term to end November 7, 2023.

Enclosed you will find biographical information detailing the experience of the above-mentioned nominee, together with a proposed resolution to assist the Council during the confirmation process.

I would appreciate the Council's earliest consideration of this nomination for confirmation. Please do not hesitate to contact me, or Steven Walker, Director, Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments, should the Council require additional information.

Sincerely,


Muriel Bowser


Chairman Phil Mendelson
at the request of the Mayor

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To confirm the reappointment of Walter Peacock to the Commission on Out of School Time Grants and Youth Outcomes.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Commission on Out of School Time Grants and Youth Outcomes Walter Peacock Confirmation Resolution of 2021”.

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia confirms the reappointment of:

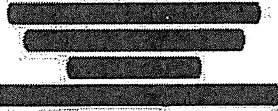
Mr. Walter Peacock
Pennsylvania Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20020
(Ward 7)

as a nongovernmental member of the Commission on Out of School Time Grants and Youth Outcomes, pursuant to section 6 of the Office of Out of School Time Grants and Youth Outcomes Establishment Act of 2016, effective April 7, 2017 (D.C. Law 21-261; D.C. Official Code § 2-1551.05), for a term to end November 7, 2023.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution, upon its adoption, to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Walter Peacock



EDUCATION

Howard University, Washington, DC, 20001

Degree Completed: B.A. in Political Science with Minor in Computer Science

3.28 GPA

EXPERIENCE

Department of Insurance, Securities & Banking: Bank on DC - Data Specialist (6/2016-9/2016) again (6/2017-9/2017)

- Interpret data from primary and secondary sources using statistical techniques and provide ongoing reports.
- Compile and validate data; reinforce and maintain compliance with corporate standards.
- Develop and initiate more efficient data collection procedures.
- Working with managing leadership to prioritize business and information requirements.
- Extracted, compiled and tracked data, and analyzed data to generate reports.
- Worked with other team members to complete special projects and achieve project deadlines.
- Developed optimized data collection and qualifying procedures.
- Leveraged analytical tools to develop efficient system operations
- Performed daily data queries and prepared reports on daily, weekly, monthly, and quarterly basis.
- * Used advanced Excel functions to generate spreadsheets and pivot tables.
- * Gathered and generated data for Mayor Bowser's Financially Fit DC Initiative.
- * Structured data into end of fiscal year report for Bank on DC Young Money Manager Program.
- * Evaluated and Redesigned Bank on DC website.
- * Implemented Google analytics web tracking practices on LifeCents websites including Financially fit to track user Engagement data and behaviors.

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. Chair of Guide Right Community Service & Outreach (5/2016-5/2017)

- * Launched and maintained extensive community outreach and service programs.
- * Planned and executed a wide variety of events.
- * Creatively recorded event data and photographs and recorded for end of year report.
- * Spoke, performed and mentored at a multitude of schools and community centers in the local community

AWARDS and HONORS

- o Black Engineer of the Year Student Athlete Leadership Award
- o Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference All Academic Honors
- o Howard University GENIUS Scholarship
- o Howard University Legacy Scholarship
- o Howard University Donor Scholarship
- o National Achievement Scholarship Program: Outstanding Participant
- o California State Senate Scholastic Achievement Award
- o Command Supreme Performance Award in San Francisco College Classical Violin Competition
- o Most Valuable Player of the Menlo Varsity Track Team
- o Set five School Records in Track & Field
- o WBAL League 100m Champion 2013
- o Japanese Exchange Student
- o AJ Calloway Building the Bridge Scholarship Recipient

ACTIVITIES

- o Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc. Director of Community Service & Outreach Program
- o Howard Homecoming Step show Performer 2016
- o Charles R. Drew Honor Society
- o American Society of Mechanical Engineers
- o Association for Computing Machinery
- o National Society of Black Engineers
- o Operation Hope Financial Literacy Representative
- o California Student Association
- o Howard University Varsity Track Team
- o Head of Recruitment Ankh Literacy Initiative
- o National Society of Leadership & Success
- o Red Cross Club
- o Professionally Trained Classical Violinist

COURSES TAKEN & SKILLS

Python, C++, LINUX, MATLAB, Scientific Computing for Engineers, Computer Organization, Computer-Aided Design, Life Sciences, Technical Writing, Engineering Technology, Strategic Communication, Principle of Speech, Chemistry, Biology 1 & 2, Studio Art and Graphics Design, Economics, Research in Political Science, State & Local Gov't, National Gov't, Political Theory, Black Politics, Black Political Theory, Judicial Process, Financial Literacy Training, Public Speaking, Event Planning and Execution, Critical Thinking, Wordpress Web Design, Wix Web Design, Google Analytics User Engagement Analysis, Microsoft Office Suite and Office 365.



Executive Office of the Mayor - Office of Talent and Appointments
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Walter Peacock



Walter Peacock is an experienced community outreach professional related to youth issues and athletics who currently serves as the Chair of the Commission of Out of School Time Grants and Youth Outcomes.

Mr. Peacock previously served as a Data Specialist with the Department of Insurance, Securities & Banking with the Bank on DC. Before his tenure, at the Bank on DC, Mr. Peacock was a participant in the Mayor Marion S. Barry Summer Youth Employment Program. Mr. Peacock served as Chair of Guide Right Community Service and Outreach with his local chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. Mr. Peacock has also won countless awards, including the Black Engineer of the Year Student Athlete Leadership Award from Howard University. An All-Academic Honors student-athlete, Mr. Peacock is the recipient of over ten scholarships and honor awards.

Mr. Peacock is being reappointed to the Commission on Out of School Time Grants and Youth Outcomes because of his exemplary leadership as Chair and his several years of being active with youth within the community have greatly contributed to the commission.

A Ward 7 resident, Mr. Peacock received a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science with a minor in Computer Science from Howard University.



**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMISSION ON OUT OF SCHOOL TIME GRANTS AND YOUTH
OUTOMES**



Public Roundtable on

**PR24-0255 “Commission on Out of School Time Grants and Youth Outcomes
Walter Peacock Confirmation Resolution of 2021”**

Testimony of
Walter Peacock

Before the
Committee of the Whole
Council of the District of Columbia
The Honorable Phil Mendelson, Chairperson

July 9, 2021
9:00 AM
Virtual Meeting Platform
John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20004

Good morning Chairman Mendelson and members of the Committee of the Whole. I would like to begin my testimony today by thanking you for the opportunity to testify here today. I would also like to thank Mayor Muriel Bowser for her leadership and for nominating me for another term.

My name is Walter Peacock and for the past few years, I have greatly treasured serving as a commissioner on the Commission of Out of School Time Grants and Youth Outcomes (the “Commission”), as the vice chairman of the Commission, and currently as the chairman of the Commission.

As a young Black male and a recent graduate from Howard University’s Political Science department, I was honored to be approached with this opportunity. This type of an opportunity is one that normally would have availed itself to me later in my career. For me, it is quite a big deal to serve my community in this way and especially in a sector that directly impacts young people and the nonprofit organizations that serve them.

I was originally born and raised in Southeast DC to a family that traces back to the community at least three generations. We moved to California when I got a bit older, which gave me the opportunity to broaden my perspective and see what things are like on the other side of the country. One thing that was extremely consistent throughout my life and my younger sister’s life, whether it was in our time spent out here, or our time spent in California, is that my mother always ensured that we were constantly enrolled in excellent out of school time programs. This was invaluable to us because it exposed us to as many positive experiences, and learning opportunities, and played an essential role in our development. .

As a result of my enrollment in out of school time programs, I grew up playing countless sports which led me to become a division I collegiate athlete. I also learned how to play the violin and now I am a professional concert violinist, and I had opportunities to be involved in local politics! For my younger sister, my mother found an after school STEM program, which led her to become a young genius who is now studying Computer Science with a focus in Artificial Intelligence at Stanford University on an Amazon Future Engineer Scholarship. I say this to emphasize just how powerful of an effect the out of school time programs, my mother involved us in, had on shaping the outcomes of our lives.

As a product of the out of school time programs in DC, I love hearing the public speakers in our meetings. I particularly enjoy meeting the leaders of nonprofits and learning about what they are doing in the community, what's working, and what isn't working. As someone who is still young and coming into my purpose in life- I feel that this role is a part of it and I love the fact that I get to help out the District's youth while still not being too far removed from them. The best part of this Commission is seeing how much everyone cares about the work they are doing. For instance, we regularly spend quite a bit of time discussing one or two sentences on the Commission's verbiage in a particular document, which demonstrates the meticulousness of its members and just how much each person on the Commission cares about the work they are doing.

I want to continue serving on this Commission because I want to be a part of creating more out of school opportunities for the youth in the District. I believe involvement in out of school opportunities contributes immensely to the successful future outcomes for youth. My experience,

my sister's experience and the experience of our friends is a testament to the benefits of these programs, and I am happy to be a part of it. , I believe that serving on this Commission is a part of my purpose and I am happy to use my skills, network, and experiences to give back to my community and help other young people grow.

Thank you for your time and consideration; I truly appreciate the opportunity I have had to be a part of this so far. It means a lot to me.

1 **DRAFT COMMITTEE PRINT**
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3 July 13, 2021
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7 A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

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