

**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
WITNESS LIST**

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

**CHAIRMAN PHIL MENDELSON
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING**

on

“Chronic Absenteeism and Truancy”

on

**Tuesday, December 12, 2023, at 11:30 a.m.
Hearing Room 412, John A. Wilson Building (Track B)**

**Hearing Room 412 (Track B)
John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
DC Council Website (www.dccouncil.gov)**

WITNESS LIST

1. Frazier O’Leary
Ward 4 Representative, DC State Board of Education
2. Eric Goulet
Ward 3 Representative, DC State Board of Education
3. Robert Henderson
Ward 5 Representative, DC State Board of Education
4. Kortni Stafford
Principal, McKinley Middle and High School
5. Liz Cohen
Policy Director, Future Ed
6. Russ Williams
CEO, Center City Public Charter Schools
7. Justin Lessek
Executive Director, The Sojourner Truth Montessori Public Charter School
8. Judith Sandalow
Executive Director, Children’s Law Center
9. Danielle Robinette
Senior Policy Attorney, Children’s Law Center
10. Tracy White
CEO, Paul Public Charter School

11. Kathryn Procope
Executive Director, Howard University
Middle School of Mathematics and Science
12. Candice Bobo
Executive Director, Rocketship Public
Charter Schools DC
13. Nicole McCrae
Senior Director of School Support &
Program Data, The DC Charter School
Alliance
14. Hannah Mason
DC Policy Center
15. Rev. Wendy Hamilton
Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner,
8D06
16. Maya Martin Cadogan
Founder and Executive Director, PAVE
(Parents Amplifying Voices in Education)
17. Salim Adofo
Chair 8C, Advisory Neighborhood
Commissioner, 8C07
18. Rusin Lewis
Executive Director, Communities in Schools
in The Nation's Capital
19. Josh Boots
Executive Director, EmpowerK12
20. Minetre Marin
Organizing Manager, Education Reform
Now DC
21. Karley Sessoms
Public Witness
22. Eduardo Ferrer
Public Witness
23. Shayna Scholnick
Director of the Promotor Pathway, Latin
American Youth Center
24. Faith Gibson Hubbard
Public Witness
25. Laura Maestas
DC Prep
26. Gavin Ware
Public Witness
27. William Lightfoot
Public Witness
28. Tara Iqbal
Director of SEL, DC Prep Public Charter
School

29. Angela Jones Youth Guidance
30. Regina Bell Vice President, Washington Teacher's Union
31. Scott Goldstein Executive Director, EmpowerEd
32. Tayo Belle School Justice Project
33. Cynthia Robbins Public Witness
34. Harley Morgan Assistant Director, Truancy Prevention Programs, Access Youth
35. Emily Hall Program Manager, Access Youth
36. Sharifah Holder Attendance Support Specialist, KIPP DC
37. Ty'Ronn Spriggs Public Witness
38. Jaytoya Manget Nurse Practitioner, Children's National Hospital
39. Maya Brennan Public Witness
40. Kristi Matthews-Jones Director, DC Girls' Coalition
41. Dr. J. Corey Williams Child & Adolescent Psychiatrist, MedStar Georgetown Division of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry
42. Ivana Thorton Eagle Academy Public Charter School
43. Terry Young Public Witness
44. Cat Peretti Executive Director, CityTutor DC, Citybridge Education
45. Tia Bell Founder, The TRIGGER Project
46. Kisha Clark Public Witness
47. Tyesha Andrews Public Witness
48. Andrea Jones Public Witness
49. Yolanda Corbett Public Witness

50. Katrice Fuller Public Witness
51. Nakisha Winston Staff Attorney, The Public Defender Service
for the District of Columbia
52. Alicia Washington Assistant Deputy Attorney General, Public
Safety Division
53. Robert Matthews Director Child and Family Services Agency
54. Dr. Michelle Walker Davis Executive Director, Public Charter School
Board
55. Paul Kihn Deputy Mayor of Education, Office of the
Deputy Mayor of Education
56. Cinthia Ruiz Chief of Integrity, District of Columbia
Public Schools
57. Dr. Christina Grant Superintendent, Office of the State
Superintendent of Education (OSSE)