

**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

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

on

**Teacher Retention and Principal Retention**

on

**Tuesday, October 29, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.**

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

EXPERT WITNESSES

1. Scott Goldstein Executive Director, EmpowerEd
2. Jaqueline Pogue Lyons President, Washington Teachers' Union
3. Catherine Peretti Executive Director, City Tutor
4. Susan Kemper Patrick Senior Researcher, Learning Policy Institute

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL PANEL

5. Carlie Fisherow Executive Director, Washington Yu Ying Public Charter School
6. Daniela Anello Head of School, DC Bilingual Public Charter School
7. Jeffrey Grant CEO, Monument Academy Public Charter School
8. Susan Toth Superintendent of Schools, KIPP DC

PUBLIC WITNESSES

9. Robert Henderson Ward 5 Member, State Board of Education
10. Frazier O'Leary Ward 4 Member, State Board of Education
11. Eboni-Rose Thompson President and Ward 7 Representative, D.C. State Board of Education
12. Ben Williams Ward 1 Member, State Board of Education

13. Anne Herr	Senior Director of School Development and Accountability, DC Charter School Alliance
14. Caroline Pryor	Lead Organizer, EmpowerEd
15. Gracy Obuchowicz	Director of Educator Wellness, EmpowerEd
16. Hannah Mason	Senior Education Research Analyst, D.C. Policy Center
17. Kerry Savage	Public Witness
18. Tiara Hudson	Public Witness
19. Regina Bell	Public Witness
20. Elizabeth Weiss	Public Witness
21. Rachel Hargreaves	Fellow, EmpowerEd
22. Dylan Craig	Public Witness
23. Sarah Buckley	Committee Chair, Amidon-Bowen PTA
24. Cara Schiavone	EmpowerEd
25. Regina Crudup	Educator, EmpowerEd
26. Victoria Westbury	Educator, EmpowerEd
27. Armand Cuevas	Educator, EmpowerEd
28. Angenette Planter	Educator, EmpowerEd
29. Jordan Daugherty	Educator, EmpowerEd
30. Ange Pirko	Educator, EmpowerEd
31. Tory Jones	Educator, EmpowerEd
32. Hannah Klubeck	Educator, EmpowerEd
33. Longjun Zhang	Educator, EmpowerEd
34. Sophia Baratta	Educator, EmpowerEd
35. Alfons Prince	Educator, EmpowerEd
36. Rosalyn Lake	Educator, EmpowerEd
37. Dieter Lehmann Morales	Educator, EmpowerEd
38. Dominique Moore	Educator, EmpowerEd

39. Alison Rice	Educator, EmpowerEd
40. Laqountinesha Atchison	Educator, EmpowerEd
41. Maya Baum	Educator, EmpowerEd
42. Lucas Cooke	Principal at MacFarland MS
43. Simon Rodberg	Executive Director, Lee Montessori Public Charter Schools
44. Crystal Tett	Public Witness
45. Laura Fuchs	Public Witness
46. Justin Lessek	Executive Director, Sojourner Truth Public Charter School
47. Dawn Brodus-Yougha	Public Witness
48. Ana Rodriguez	Public Witness
49. Joshua Bork	Public Witness
50. Lanette Bacchus	Director of Leadership Development, Paul Public Charter School
51. Laura Maestas	CEO, DC Prep
52. Rachel Kimboko	Executive Director, DC Wildflower Public Charter School
53. Shendrina Walker	Public Witness
54. Elani Lawrence	Principal and Interim Co-CAO, Carlos Rosario International Public Charter School
55. Sean Yisrael	Director and Principal, Maya Angelou Young Adult Learning Center, See Forever Foundation-Maya Angelou Public Schools
56. Shannon Redman	Assistant Principal, Maya Angelou Young Adult Learning Center, See Forever Foundation-Maya Angelou Public Schools
57. Kamal Wright-Cunningham	Chief of Well-Being, Maya Angelou Young Adult Learning Center, See Forever Foundation-Maya Angelou Public Schools
58. Sarah Lewis	Executive Director, Achievement Prep
59. K.C. Boyd	Public Witness
60. Kent Strader	Director of Special Projects, DC Prep

61. Barrington Brown	Educator, EmpowerEd
62. Gina Abrams	Educator, EmpowerEd
63. Stephanie Miller	Public Witness
64. Zellee Jones	Educator EmpowerEd
65. Benjamin Lookner	Public Witness
66. Alice McNeill	Public Witness
67. Bowain Shaw	Public Witness
68. Cheryl Brown	Health and Physical Education, DCPS Teacher
69. Crawford Bennett	Public Witness
70. Chandler Dennard	Public Witness
71. Terrance Neill-Johnson	Public Witness
72. Nasya Bethea	Public Witness
73. Homer Rollins	Public Witness
74. Jazzmyne Townsend	Instructional Coach, Stanton ES
75. David Ifill	Teacher, DCPS
76. Zachary Wilson	Public Witness
77. Aramis Sanchez	Public Witness
78. Rhonda Ferguson	Teacher Leader, WTU
79. Aramis Sanchez	Public Witness
80. Jeannine Hodge	Public Witness
81. Paul Spires	Executive Director, Kids Krank
82. Tasha Jackson	Public Witness
83. Emmanuel Eppie	Public Witness
84. Dajuan Gant	Public Witness
85. Conchita Mays-Crawford	Public Witness
86. DeHavon Scott	Public Witness
87. Shireletta Curley	Public Witness

88. Christopher Curley

Public Witness

89. Grace Reid

Principal, Barnard ES

GOVERNMENT WITNESSES

1. Elizabeth Ross

Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, Office of State Superintendent of Education (OSSE)

2. Dr. Lewis Ferebee

Chancellor, District of Columbia Public Schools

3. Drewana Bey

Deputy Chancellor, DC Public Schools