

**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
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1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

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

on

B25-847 “Advancing Equity in Special Education Protocols Amendment Act of 2024”

and

Oversight of Education for Students with Special Needs

on

Wednesday, November 20, 2024, at 12:30 p.m.

**Room 412 (Track B)
John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20004
DC Council Website (www.dccouncil.gov)**

WITNESS LIST

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| 1. | Jacque Patterson | Vice President, State Board of Education |
| 2. | Robert Henderson | Ward 5 Rep., State Board of Education |
| 3. | Danielle Robinette | Senior Policy Attorney, Children’s Law Center |
| 4. | Maria Blaeuer | Director of Programs and Outreach, Advocates for Justice and Education |
| 5. | Hannah Blumenfeld-Love | DC SPED Hub Program Manager, Office of the Ombudsman for Public Education |
| 6. | Marcy Hairston | Public Witness |
| 7. | Samantha Bertocchi | Public Witness |
| 8. | Samantha Brown | Public Witness |
| 9. | Faith Gibson Hubbard | Senior Advisor, PAVE |
| 10. | Regina Bell | General Vice President, Washington Teacher’s Union |

11. Jacqueline Pogue Lyons President, Washington Teacher's Union
12. Janice Parker Public Witness
13. Chantal Fuller Public Witness
14. Ashley Ruff Commissioner, ANC 7F02
15. LaJoy Johnson- Law The Caregiver's Dream
16. Elizabeth Callahan Mitchell Ward 3 Democrats
17. Benjamin Lookner Public Witness
18. Laura Fuchs Public Witness
19. Michael Rodrigues CEO, St. Coletta of Greater Washington
20. Tami Lewis Senior Director of Government Affairs, DC Charter School Alliance
21. Julie Camerata Executive Director, DC Special Education Cooperative
22. Jonathan Weinstein Managing Director of Financial Operations, KIPP DC
23. Shaunique Poole Director of Special Education, Howard University Middle School of Math and Science
24. Justin Lessek Executive Director, Sojourner Truth PCS
25. Kenyatta Singleton Director of Student Support Services, AppleTree Early Learning Public Charter School
26. Wanda Gregory Chief Inclusion Officer, Capital City PCS
27. Elizabeth Torres CEO/ Co-Founder, Washington Global PCS
28. Siobhan Saul Public Witness
29. Rashida Young Partner for Schools Talent and Equity, Education Forward DC
30. Quiana Lamons Public Witness
31. Latiya Loring Public Witness
32. Cassandra Matthews Public Witness

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| 33. | Emily Patel | Public Witness |
| 34. | Victoria Biancavilla | DC AAP |
| 35. | Stephanie Maltz | Public Witness |
| 36. | Chrysanthe Courniotes | Public Witness |
| 37. | Sharn Boone-Ruffin | Public Witness |
| 38. | Gregory Lee | Public Witness |
| 39. | Caroline Pryor | Lead Organizer, EmpowerED |
| 40. | Tyesha Andrews | Public Witness |
| 41. | Dakota Crews | Public Witness |
| 42. | Ronald Williams | Public Witness |
| 43. | Andre Jones | Public Witness |
| 44. | Michael Bethea | Public Witness |
| 45. | Verniecee Avent | Public Witness |
| 46. | Nakeisha Person | Public Witness |
| 47. | Nicole Preston | President and CEO, Special Olympics
District of Columbia Inc. |
| 48. | Todd Gluckman | Partner, Terris, Pravlik & Millian, LLP |
| 49. | Kelley Ukhun | President, DC ACTS |

Government Witness

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| 1. | Corie Colgan | Chief, Office of Teaching and Learning, DC
Public Schools |
| 2. | Regina Grimmett | Senior Deputy Chief, Specialized
Instruction, DC Public Schools |
| 3. | Dr. Michelle Walker Davis | Executive Director, Public Charter School
Board |
| 4. | Dr. Antoinette Mitchell | Interim Superintendent, Office of the State
Superintendent of Education |
| 5. | Victoria Glick | Director of Special Education, Office of the
State Superintendent of Education |