

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

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

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

on

**Bill 26-62 “Board of Trustees Training Amendment Act of 2025”**

on

**Wednesday, March 26, 2025 at 2:00 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 WITNESS LIST

1. Carrie Irvin Senior Advisor at Bellwether and Former  
CEO and Co-founder of Education Board  
Partners
2. Margie Yeager Chicago Public Charter School Board  
Member
3. Ariel Johnson Executive Director, DC Charter School  
Alliance

PUBLIC WITNESS LIST

4. John Glover Chief of External Affairs, Friendship PCS
5. Rachel Kimboko Executive Director, DC Wildflower Public  
Charter School
6. Russ Williams CEO, Center City PCS
7. Kristin Yochum Executive Director of Operations, Paul  
Public Charter School
8. Laura Maestas CEO, DC Prep PCS
9. Justin Lessek Executive Director, Sojourner Truth Public  
Charter School

10. Emily Hedin  
Executive Director, Breakthrough  
Montessori Public Charter School
11. Nitika Tolani  
Trustee, Captial City Charter School
12. Barry Caldwell  
Vice Chair Board Member, KIPP DC Public  
Schools
13. Valerie Jablow  
Public Witness
14. Sharn Boone-Ruffin  
Public Witness
15. Quameice Harris  
Public Witness
16. Jessica Giles  
Executive Director, Education Reform Now  
Advocacy DC
17. Suzanne Wells  
Public Witness

GOVERNMENT WITNESSES

18. Dr. Michelle Walker-Davis  
Executive Director, DC Public Charter  
School Board (PCSB)
19. Dr. Antoinette Mitchell  
Acting State Superintendent, Office of the  
State Superintendent of Education (OSSE)