



STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

2:00 – 4:00pm | Friday, November 13, 2015

Bolling Municipal Building | 2300 Washington Street, Roxbury

Presented are minutes from the Boston Compact Steering Committee meeting held on November 13, 2015. For more information about any of the items listed below, visit www.BostonCompact.org or email info@BostonCompact.org.

ATTENDANCE

Members Present: **Rahn Dorsey** (Chief of Education, City of Boston), **Ross Wilson** (Managing Partner of Innovation, Boston Public Schools), **Shannah Varon** (Executive Director, Boston Collegiate Charter School), **Amy Ryan** (Associate Superintendent for Academics and Digital Learning, Archdiocese of Boston), **Karla Estrada** (Deputy Superintendent of Student Support Services, Boston Public Schools), **Erica Brown** (Advisor to the Executive Director, City on a Hill Charter Schools), **Ali Dutson** (Principal, Mission Grammar School), **Kim Rice** (Assistant Superintendent of Operations, Boston Public Schools),

Members Absent: **Kate Brandley** (Principal, St John Paul II – Neponset), **Makeeba McCreary** (Chief of Staff, Boston Public Schools), **Diana Lam** (Head of School, Conservatory Lab Charter School), **Jon Clark** (Co-Director, Brooke Charter Schools)

Others Present: **Kevin Andrews** (ex-officio), **Rachel Weinstein** (Compact Staff), **Kegan Smith** (Compact Staff), **Mary Tamer** (BCA Staff)

UNIFIED ENROLLMENT UPDATE AND CHECK-IN

Steering Committee members discussed how the unified enrollment proposal was received at the first six of the seven citywide community meetings. They noted requests from other groups to host conversations as well as a request for the MCPSA to share its SPED collaborative proposal. Both community engagement and policy development continue.

PROPOSED TRANSPARENCY MEASURES

In response to interest from the community, staff presented proposed measures to make the work of the Compact more transparent. While the Compact is not a public body, members agreed that the objective of transparency measures is to make the Compact's work more accessible to the public by sharing the general direction of the work being done and any process decisions that have been made (policy decisions continue to reside with each sector's leaders). In addition to the myriad information already published on the Compact website and shared via social media and in public sessions, the Steering Committee voted to greatly increase transparency in Compact work.



Serving Students by Bringing Educators Together

Approved – *The Steering Committee unanimously approved publishing membership, objectives, and minutes for Compact Steering and subcommittee meetings on the Compact's website.*

CATHOLIC SCHOOL INCLUSION IN THE COMPACT

Members discussed the role of Catholic schools at the Compact in the short- and long-terms. Recognizing that Catholic schools have minimal participation in the unified enrollment proposal process, members recommended considering other bold initiatives for the Compact.

BUDGET REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Staff presented an updated budget for review and approval. Significant proposed changes to the budget included \$25,000 matching funds for schools to participate in a Generation Teach pilot program which would help schools in all three sectors further build pipelines of local teachers of color. Members requested a formal proposal before further consideration this expense.

ACTION ITEMS

- Staff will poll the Teaching and Learning and School Partnerships subcommittees to identify future high-impact actions for each subcommittee.
- Generation Teach will submit a proposal for piloting the program in Boston schools.
- Staff will post meeting minutes on the website.