

**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

Bill 24-80, DC State Education Agency Independence Amendment Act of 2021

&

Bill 24-101, Office of the State Superintendent of Education Independence Amendment Act of 2021

on

**Tuesday, October 26, 2021, at 11:00 a.m.
Chairman's Website (www.ChairmanMendelson.com/live)**

WITNESS LIST

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| 1. | Jessica Sutter | Ward 6 Representative, DC State Board of Education |
| 2. | Carlene Reid | Ward 8 Representative, D.C. State Board of Education |
| 3. | Eboni-Rose Thompson | Ward 7 Representative, D.C. State Board of Education |
| 4. | Ruth Wattenberg | Ward 3 Representative, D.C. State Board of Education |
| 5. | Frazier O'Leary | Ward 4 Representative, D.C. State Board of Education |
| 6. | Emily Gasoi | Ward 1 Representative, D.C. State Board of Education |
| 7. | Scott Goldstein | Executive Director, EmpowerEd |
| 8. | Patricia Sanabria | Lead Organizer, EmpowerEd |
| 9. | Betsy Wolf | Public Witness |
| 10. | Jessica Giles | State Director, Education Reform Now DC |
| 11. | Patricia Stamper | Fellow, Empower Ed |

12. Steve Beam Public Witness
13. Mary Levy Public Witness
14. Maya Baum Teacher, DCPS
15. Alexandra Simbana OSSE Parent Advisory Committee Member
16. Laura Fuchs Teacher, DCPS
17. Christian Herr Teacher
18. Robert Henderson Public Witness
19. Christopher Stewart School Librarian, DCPS
20. Markus Batchelor Former Vice President of the DC State Board of Education
21. Sandra Moscoso Moscoso Ward 2 Education Council
22. Max Ewart Commissioner, ANC 1B07
23. Emily Roderer Public Witness
24. Commissioner Salim K.T. Adofo Chair, ANC 8C
25. Kavitha Kasargod-Staub Public Witness
26. Cathy Reilly Senior High Alliance of Parents, Principals and Educators
27. Rebecca Ennen Public Witness
28. Julie Payne Teacher, Public Charter School
29. Regina Bell Vice President, Washington Teachers' Union
30. Jacqueline Pogue Lyons President, Washington Teachers' Union
31. Sandra Vanderbilt Public Witness
32. Shannon Hodge DC Charter School Alliance, Executive Director
33. Ron Thompson Public Witness
34. Bisi Oyedele Managing Partner, Education Forward DC

35. Mary Ellen Golcheski Public Witness
36. Nikki D'Angelo Community Organizer, Democrats for Education Reform DC
37. Kishan Putta Public Witness
38. Brianna McGowan Ward 5 Education Equity Committee
39. Abe Clayman Federal City Council
40. Hanseul Kang Public Witness
41. Thomas Toch Director, FutureEd, Georgetown University
42. Steve Bumbaugh Senior Vice President, College and Career Access, College Board
43. Maura Dundon Public Witness
44. Kyle Myers Democrats for Education Reform
45. Matthew Yglesias Public Witness
46. Timothy Durigan Public Witness
47. Thomas Bartholomew Public Witness
48. Matthew Pokorny Public Witness
49. Ben Demers Parent, DCPS
50. Mark Simon Board of Directors, EmpowerEd
51. Michael Hamilton Public Witness
52. Chioma Oruh Chi Bornfree, Inc.
53. Meredith Walsh Public Witness
54. Joseph Cox Public Witness
55. Sally Schwartz Executive Director, Globalize DC
56. Ashley Simpson Baird Research and Policy Consultant, Briya Public Charter School

57. Allison Fansler President, KIPP DC
58. Duncan Chaplin Mathematica
59. Dwight Davis Public Witness
60. Donald Hense Founder and Chairman of the Board, Friendship Public Charter School
61. Chris Pencikowski Co-Founder & Executive Director, Lee Montessori Public Charter Schools
62. Sarah Lewis Interim CEO, Achievement Prep Public Charter School
63. Charis Sharp Executive Director, LAMB PCS
64. Maquita Alexander Executive Director, Washington Yu Ying PCS
65. Katie Phillips EmpowerEd
66. Jhoskesia Manigault Public Witness
67. Boswain Shaw Teacher, DCPS
68. Maxine Jefferson Special Education Teacher, DCPS
69. Emily Hedin Executive Director, Breakthrough Montessori Public Charter School
70. Michael Grier Ward 8 Education Council
71. Renee Davis Public Witness
72. Ambrose Lane Jr Chairman, Health Alliance Network
73. Shayne Strickland Special Education Teacher
74. Faith Gibson Hubbard Public Witness
75. Robin Appleberry Public Witness
76. Mark Histed Parent, DCPS
77. Armand Cuevas Teacher, DCPS

- 78. Sophia Baratta Public Witness
- 79. Gabrielle Dubose Teacher
- 80. James Tandaric Fellow, EmpowerEd

Government Witness

- 1. Paul Kihn Deputy Mayor for Education