



LUMINARY
LEARNING NETWORK

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

LUMINARY LEARNING NETWORK BOARD

Wednesday, January 10, 2018 at 4:30 PM

AGENDA

The LLN board will meet for a board meeting to discuss:

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| 4:30 – 4:40 | Approve Minutes from 11.13.17 |
| 4:40 – 5:40 | SBB+ Update and Discussion:

SBB+ Conversations to Date
DPS Proposal
Possible Counterproposals
Action Plan |
| 5:40 – 6:10 | LLN Expansion |
| 6:10 – 6:15 | School Review Update,

Share Accountability Documents (Discussion Topic for next meeting) |

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be on Tuesday, February 13th from 4:00 – 6:00 PM.

The meeting will be held at the Gates Family Foundation, 1390 Lawrence Street, Suite 400, Denver, CO 80204

LLN Board Meeting

January 10, 2018

Gates Family Foundation

Attendees:

Board Members

- Mary Seawell | President, Community Representative
- Savinay Chandrasekhar | Secretary, ED of Minds Matter of Denver, Community Representative
- Frank Coyne | Lead Partner at Denver Green School, School Leader Representative
- Jen Jackson | Principal of Cole Arts and Sciences, School Leader Representative

Note: Quorum was not met, so no official board actions were taken.

Other Attendees

- Julia Shepherd | Principal, C3
- Halley Gruber | Teacher, Cole Arts and Sciences
- Jessica Roberts | ED, Luminary Learning Network
- Michael Porter | Director of Operations, Luminary Learning Network

Agenda Items:

1. Teacher Council Update - Hailey
2. SBB+ Update and Discussion
 - a. SBB+ Conversations to Date
 - b. DPS Proposal
 - c. Possible Counterproposals
 - d. Action Plan
3. LLN Expansion
4. School Review Update, Accountability Documents

Jessica introduced Michael Porter as the new Director of Operations; worked with Jessica at YES Prep, and he'll be taking formative data to build out a database and dashboard.

Topic 1: Teacher Council Update

- 5 Cohorts of teachers across schools
- 5 part-days of PD
- Focus on mission moving forward
 - Teams focusing on innovation
- Julia validated that teachers at her school (C3) are really excited by the Teacher Council
 - Ashley and Cole were able to share resources
 - Pen pals between all four schools
- LLN is surveying Teacher Council to determine effectiveness

- High-level survey for all teachers
- Cohort-specific survey

Topic 2: SBB+ Update

- DPS Updates
 - Not rolling SBB+ across all innovation schools, just iZone
 - Reduced the budget for zone schools by >\$100/student
 - Reduced the number of services available to opt out by 1
 - 17 to 15 to 14 from 2016 to 2018
 - This runs counter to the district's initial position of *expanding* flexibility and adding more schools to the SBB+ approach, as opposed to *reducing* it above
 - Schools across DPS won't have to take cuts, but iZone schools will have to cut >\$50k/school, which is ~1 FTE
- LLN Approach
 - Officially LLN MOU is authorized by the DPS Board of Education [DPS BoE] and the LLN has an opportunity to present to them on Jan 22nd
 - LLN has crafted four counterproposals
 - LLN has a conversation scheduled with Mark Ferrandino and Jennifer Holliday at DPS next Wednesday to share the counterproposals with them prior to sharing with the Board
- SBB+
 - Four options:
 - Current SBB+ proposal from DPS
 - Large reduction in dollars and slightly reduced options from last year; requires yearly renegotiation)
 - "Charter light" model
 - Currently exists, but doesn't take into account FRL and SPED status
 - SBB+ 1375
 - Use existing (FY 17-18) SBB+ model, plus the mill levy distribution per HB1371
 - School Performance Booster
 - Flat fee for the current year with a goal to create a formal, longer-standing agreement for all zones by December
 - Question: Can we frame this starting at "Charter Light" plus some amount to get to the Booster value?
 - This allows LLN to use Charter-Light as a baseline
 - This reduces work for DPS (don't have to set up something separate for LLN), and allows us to create a more sustainable long-term model/district-wide policy
 - Allows LLN to work with other future zones as well to create a consistent model for all zones
 - What are the implications of the new Board?
 - Also need to determine equitable distribution of mill levy funds; LLN as an independent entity can push that on behalf of all schools
 - DPS has done the hard work of cataloging all the services that it provides (600+)
 - This also creates a shared starting point

- We can also look at the DPS Innovation Policy; there's some guidelines there about offering flexibility
- Board can vote on the proposal on a call after the meeting
 - Want to be clear by February 1st

Topic 3: LLN Expansion

- Expansion overview
 - More schools are considering starting zones
 - McAuliffe and Montbello Children's Network [MCN] for example
 - LLN needs to decide whether or not to add more schools
 - Process needs to be improved from last year
 - DPS has been very supportive in offering a collaborative approach and communication
 - Can we use the emotion that school leaders are feeling right now
- Case Study release is Jan 30th morning
 - DPS has offered to "co-release" the case study, which is great
 - LLN Board Members and School Leaders are welcome to invite school leaders to the release breakfast
- LLN and DPS should agree on ground rules for how we're going to engage with potential school leaders
 - LLN should align expansion with the call for zones
- Would LLN be willing to be an "incubator" of sorts
 - Allow schools to join for a set period of time and then they can start their own zones if they like
 - Will make it easier on schools (LLN does the heavy lifting)
 - Will make it easier on DPS to have one point of contact, instead of multiple per zones