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Meeting Minutes - Draft EDUCATION COMMITTEE

*Consider: Who benefits? Who is burdened?
Who does not have a voice at the table?
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

Wednesday, July 14, 2021

5:30 PM

Meets 2nd Wednesday of the month at 5:30 p.m.
Virtual Meeting

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 8 - Linda Vakunta; Regina M. Vidaver; Tag Evers; Nichelle Nichols; Christina Gomez Schmidt; ananda mirilli; Carousel Andrea S. Bayrd and Heidi Wegleitner

Others present: Mary O'Donnell (City), Tariq Saqqaf (City), Nathan Beck (City/MMSD), Dr. Richard McGregory (MMSD)

Mirilli called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

1. [66284](#) Public Comment July 2021

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Wegleitner, seconded by Evers to approve June 9, 2021 minutes.
Motion passed by voice vote.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

2. [65731](#) Update from Digital Inclusion Task Force

Attachments: [Draft Digital Inclusion Task Force Report](#)

Evers summarized the Task Force work. They will meet one more time before their recommendations are released. . Members discussed the draft report. Evers provided clarification on questions regarding the draft report. The report will move forward to Council and updated or final versions will be shared with Education Committee.

7. [65737](#) Education Committee 2021 Schedule

Attachments: [2021 Education Committee Schedule](#)

Committee decided to move item up on the agenda. Mirilli discussed the need to schedule September and November meetings. Members decided to meet the 1st Wednesday with meeting dates being September 1 and November 3rd.

Members also discussed future meeting format. Education Committee will continue to meet virtually.

Members discussed possibility of canceling August meeting. After discussion August meeting will be cancelled. Next meeting will be September 1st.

3. [65733](#) Update on MMSD Big Idea funding including list and summary of applicants - MMSD Staff

Attachments: [Big Idea Madison Metropolitan School District BIG IDEAS Semi-FINALISTS](#)

O'Donnell discussed updated information on Big Idea finalists. Documentation was received from MMSD but it was not formatted and ready to share. O'Donnell and MMSD staff will get information ready to share and will distribute to members. There may be more options to collaborate on funding proposals that do not receive funding due to less federal funding going to MMSD and the Big Ideas project. Further information may be available regarding the scoring committee and rubric used to make decisions. Item will be discussed further at the September 1 meeting.

4. [66283](#) Update and discussion of potential collaboration on unfunded proposals - Bayrd

Bayrd discussed a draft resolution on youth employment that will go to the Dane County Board of Supervisors. Further information and a timeline will be shared at the next meeting.

5. [65735](#) Report on contact with executive officials and legislative leadership

Attachments: [Education Committee Mayor Letter](#)

Mirilli met with Dr. Jenkins regarding the need for collaboration. The group discussed the letter from the Mayor in response to the Education Committee memo listing priorities and expressing the desire for City/County/MMSD collaboration. Dane County Executive office has not given an official response. Wegleitner discussed work on homelessness category 3 to address families that are homeless, but not in priority groups.

6. [65736](#) Discuss next steps on City, County, MMSD collaboration on federal and state COVID relief and stimulus funding

Attachments: [American Rescue Plan Act Resolution](#)

The Committee will continue collaboration and conversation as more information becomes available.

Mirilli discussed tonight was the last meeting for Nichols and Gomez-Schmidt. Mirilli thanked them for their work on the committee. Dr. Richard McGregory

and Savion Castro will be their replacements.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Evers, seconded by Vidaver to adjourn at 6:33 pm. Motion passed by voice vote.