

PHILADELPHIA CROSSTOWN COALITION EDUCATION CMTEE
FRIENDS OF NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOLS SUMMIT PLANNING MEETING

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(Attendee list attached)

ACTION STEPS:

1. MEMBER RECRUITMENT EVERYONE: Recruit more members. See list at IV on pg 3 for suggestions.
2. VISION COMMITTEE: Kristen Forbriger, Micah Hanson, Ivy Olesh, Amara Rockar, Ben Schindler, James Wright.
3. LOGISTICS COMMITTEE - Christine Carlson, Danielle Denk, Kristin Forbriger Jeff Hornstein, Gail Tomassini

MINUTES

Thanks to everyone for coming out in the middle of a business day to discuss how to maximize the impact of the "Friends of Neighborhood Schools" movement, an initiative of the Crosstown Coalition and special thanks to Donna Cooper and Public Citizens for Children and Youth (PCCY).

I. PLANS FOR SUMMIT OF FRIENDS ON N'HOOD SCHLS:

DATE: February (NOT Superbowl wkend: Sun Feb 1)

WEEKDAY: Saturday LOCATION: Center City

DURATION: 4 hrs.

SUMMIT GOAL: To establish a network of Friends of Neighborhood Schools groups to act as a resource center and source of best practices for those Friends groups that currently exist and to grow Friends groups where none exist then, once this internal organizational task is underway to pursue common goals of the member Friends groups.

SUMMIT INVITEES – Representatives from established Friends of primary or K- 8 schools with catchment areas and, where no Friends

organization exists, residents (not necessarily parents) or business people who might be recruited to establish a friends organization for a local primary/K-8 school with a catchment area where none exists.

PROPOSED SUMMIT FORMAT– Initial gathering followed by concurrent breakout sessions followed by a final all-participant session exploring what common projects the groups might pursue collectively. The agenda should allow for some networking/socializing opportunities.

A. CMTEES APPOINTED TO WORK ON SUMMIT

“Vision Committee” charged with crafting a summit invitation:

Ivy Olesh	Ben Schindler
Kristen Frobiger	Micah Hanson
Amara Rockar	James Wright

“Logistics Committee” charged with making physical arrangements for the Summit:

Christine Carlson	Danielle Denk
Jeff Hornstein	Kristin Forbringer
Gail Tomassini	

II. SCHOOLS & COUNCIL DISTRICTS REP'ED IN MEETING:

A. Schools Represented (22):

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| 1. Chester Arthur | 11. Mount Airy |
| 2. Bache Martin | Schools Coalition: |
| 3. J. S. Jenkins | • Day |
| 4. Adaire | • Emlen |
| 5. Greenfield | • Henry |
| 6. Hackett | • Houston |
| 7. Jackson | • Jenks |
| 8. J. B. Kelly School | • Lingelbach |
| 9. Mc Call | 12. Nebinger |
| 10. Mifflin | 13. Powel |

14. Science and
Leadership

15. Stanton
16. Southwark

B. Council Districts Represented (6):

1. First: Mark Squilla
2. Second: Kenyatta
Johnson
3. Third: Jannie
Blackwell

4. Fourth: Curtis Jones
5. Fifth: Darrell Clarke
6. Eighth: Cindy Bass

III. Crowd Sourcing of Objectives:

A. Top Ten Vote Getting Workshop Suggestions:

1. Increase diversity of groups engaged (16 dots)
2. Growing your group→Expanding the Circle (14 dots)
3. Skills Building (12 dots) – Best practices, accounting, quickbooks, libraries, playgrounds, fundraising
4. Engage in State Budget (10)
5. Navigating the school district (9)
6. Create a Guidebook (9 dots)
7. Aligning SAC, HAS and Friends groups (9)
8. How to harness groups powers→how to be on the map (9)
9. Work with office of strategic Partnership (6 dots)
10. Mentorship (6)

B. Attempt to Categorize Top Ten Workshop Suggestions:

1. SKILLS BUILDING – 47 Total Dots: Top Ten: # 3 (12 Dots), # 5 (9 Dots), # 6 (9 Dots) # 10 (6 Dots) also from the other suggestions # 12 (5 Dots), # 14 (3 Dots) # 15 (3 Dots)
2. GROWING THE ORGANIZATION – 39 Total Dots: Top Ten #1 (16 Dots), #2 (14 Dots) #7 (9 Dots)
3. LOBBYING/POLITICKING – 21 Total Dots: Top Ten: #4 (10 Dots), #8 (9 Dots) also from the other suggestions # 18 (2 Dots),
4. PARTNERING - 8 Total Dots: # 9 (6 Dots) , also from the other suggestions # 16 (2 Dots)

Other Workshop Suggestions That Attracted Dots

11. Effective Teaching and Learning (5 dots)
12. Train the groups (5 dots)
13. Teacher Engagement (5 dots)
14. Resource Network (3 dots)
15. Research based decision making (3)
16. Outside Groups addressing school cuts (2 dots)
17. Other Cities→What's happening (2 dots)
18. Collective Voice to City Council (2 dots)
19. Tone—positives of public (2 dots)
20. Hear from principals (1)
21. Grants—where are they→ get invited to apply (1 dot)

IV. Schools/Groups That Should Be Contacted

- Blaine
- Brown
- Cramp
- Day
- Hanry
- Houston
- William James
- John Kay
- Kelley
- Lea
- Lingelbach
- Morris
- NE Groups
- Principals
- Spring Garden
- Sylvia Sims
- S.L.A West
- Taggert
- Vare-Washington