

**THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA  
MEETING OF THE SCHOOL REFORM COMMISSION**

**JULY 6, 2017**

A special public meeting of the School Reform Commission was held on July 6, 2017 in the Auditorium of the School District of Philadelphia Education Center, 440 North Broad Street.

The meeting was convened at 11:10 a.m. by Chair Wilkerson. Chair Wilkerson stated that this special meeting is held annually to issue the Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes (TRAN) along with other general business.

Miles Shore, Deputy General Counsel, stated notice of this Special Meeting of the School Reform Commission was published on June 26, 2017 in the *Philadelphia Daily News* and the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, and posted on the School District of Philadelphia website. Mr. Shore also stated that prior to the public meeting today the School Reform Commission met in Executive Session to discuss personnel and employment matters, labor relations issues, information or strategy in connection with the bankruptcy of Wordsworth Academy, U. S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania #17-14463, and quasi-judicial proceedings.

Members Present: Mr. Green, Ms. Jimenez, Dr. McGinley, Ms. Richman, Chair Wilkerson – 5

Members Absent: 0

Zachary Epps, Office of the Superintendent, stated that at every School Reform Commission meeting, a representative from the Deaf-Hearing Communication Center is here to provide sign language interpretation of the proceedings. He also stated that representatives from the Office of Family and Community Engagement are stationed in the lobby to help with interpretation services. Mr. Epps stated that the proceedings of this SRC meeting are being streamed live on the Internet at [www.philasd.org/live](http://www.philasd.org/live) and can be seen on PSTV's Comcast Channel 52 and Verizon Fios Channel 20. He stated that the proceedings are also being recorded by The School District of Philadelphia and that the School District's recordings are protected by the Copyright Laws of the United States and may not be used in any manner without the express written consent of The School District. Mr. Epps stated that by participating in today's meeting, members of the public acknowledge that the School District may use its recordings for any purpose without obtaining permission or paying any compensation.

William R. Hite, Jr., Superintendent provided opening remarks. Dr. Hite stated that there are several items of importance before the School Reform Commission. Citing resolution SRC-1, Dr. Hite stated that the resolution is the annual short-term borrowing needed as a part of normal School District business. He stated that the District intends to borrow at the same level as last year, and that funds are used to cover basic operating costs during seasonal periods of low revenue. Dr. Hite stated that there is also a resolution (SRC-2) pertaining to Keystone Opportunity Zone (KOZ). He stated that the KOZ resolution is one that has been requested by the City. Dr. Hite stated that this resolution would restart the benefit period on certain parcels of land and enable the sites to become more attractive for economic development in Philadelphia. He stated that developers will be required to enter into a "PILOT", Payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement under which the District will receive the maximum of the current assessed real estate taxes during the life of the KOZ, which generally lasts ten years. Dr. Hite stated that based on the maximum level, the School District can expect to receive an additional \$225,000 annually going forward. Dr. Hite, citing resolution B-1, stated that the District is seeking to add Philadelphia OIC's proposed Workforce Academy Accelerated School to the Opportunity Network. The school will be the first in the Network to provide students with direct connections to career pathways and family sustaining employment after high school graduation. Dr. Hite stated that the District staff has also worked to revise and better focus resolution IU-1, which was designated as resolution U-7 at last month's SRC meeting. Dr. Hite stated that the District engaged and met with advocates, stakeholders, and elected officials to better explain the full intent of the resolution and how we will focus the important work that the resolution covers. He described the purpose of resolution IU-1 to better serve students previously served by Wordsworth. Dr. Hite stated that resolution IU-1 seeks approval to contract with a full-time alternative special education provider, Catapult, to provide programming to students previously served by Wordsworth. He stated that the resolution establishes a program beginning with up to 100 seats in September 2017. Dr. Hite stated that the District will retain full decision making and program oversight, and the program will be

located in operated District schools, with the ultimate goal of transitioning students into regular education settings. Finally, Dr. Hite stated that principals and teachers have already begun planning for the upcoming school year through various Summer Institute opportunities.

Chair Wilkerson introduced the School District's Chief Financial Officer, Uri Monson, who briefed the Commission regarding the resolution authorizing this transaction for the TRAN and the note purchase agreement. Mr. Monson stated that resolution SRC-1 authorizes of issuance of Series A and Series B Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes (TRAN) in the amount of \$400 million. He stated that it is a short-term borrowing to cover cash flow during the course of the year. Mr. Monson stated that the \$200 million Series A Notes purchased by Bank of America and \$200 million Series B Notes purchased by PNC have a fixed interest rate of 1.66%. He stated that the District has as additional capacity for \$175 million variable rate Notes. The interest cost is \$6.4 million.

The meeting was opened to the public for presentation of statements.

Mr. Shore announced the applicable provisions of the SRC's public participation policy.

The following individuals expressed concerns about the impact of out-of-school student suspensions:

- The Honorable Morgan Cephas, PA State Representative, 192<sup>nd</sup> Legislative District
- The Honorable Jordan Harris, PA State Representative, 186<sup>th</sup> Legislative District

Marilyn Miles, Greater Hope Christian Academy, expressed concerns about private schools no longer having admission to District 12 PIAA. She stated that her students participated in sports programs with John Bartram High School, through the Cooperative Sponsorship Program.

The following individuals expressed opposition to resolution IU-1, Contract with Catapult Learning, Inc.:

- Anna Pera
- Deborah Grill
- Gabe Labella, Staff Attorney, Disability Rights Pennsylvania
- Tonya Bah
- Lynda Rubin

Lee Awbrey, Public Law Interest Center, stated that the resolution in its current form is an improvement from the original version. He stated that he supports the cancellation of the Wordsworth contract and that Catapult needs to be closely monitored.

Stephanie Clark, parent of a former 8<sup>th</sup> grade student at C. W. Henry Elementary School, expressed concerns about an apparent lack of emergency planning.

Kristen Luebert stated that the services represented in resolution IU-1, contract with Catapult Learning, Inc. can be provided by the School District.

Maura McInerney expressed the importance of inclusion.

The following individuals stated that the District needs to end out-of-school suspensions:

- Julian Terrell, organizer, Philadelphia Student Union
- Yvelisse Pelotte, Education Law Center
- Julian Thompson read a letter from Council woman Blondell Reynolds-Brown

Zhuri Abdul Raheem, PA One, described an incident in which his son was suspended from school for exhibiting "curious" normal behaviors. He also described the impact of suspensions.

Karel Kilimnik expressed opposition to resolution IU-1, contract with Catapult Learning, Inc. She stated that Catapult is not qualified. She recommended that the SRC vote no on the resolution and meet with parents/community to develop a well thought out plan.

Robin Roberts, parent, C. W. Henry Elementary School, expressed concerns about an apparent lack of emergency procedures. She stated that there needs to be a policy in place that identifies who is in charge, roles and responsibilities, and contact information.

Barbara Dowdall expressed support of school libraries.

Rich Migliore described his advocacy for autism.

Eileen Poses stated that the SRC is disregarding the public. She cited adding/updating resolutions, closing public schools, failing charter schools, Wordsworth closing, and proposed contract with Catapult Learning, Inc.

The following resolutions were presented for formal action by the School Reform Commission:

**I. SCHOOL REFORM COMMISSION**

**SRC-1\***

**Authorization of the Issuance and Sale of Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes of the School District of Philadelphia Fiscal Year 2018**

**WHEREAS**, The School District of Philadelphia, a school district of the first class of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (“School District”), has the power and authority, pursuant to the Local Government Unit Debt Act, 53 Pa. C.S.A. §§ 8001 et seq. (“Act”), to borrow money from time to time in any fiscal year in anticipation of the receipt by the School District in that fiscal year of current taxes and revenues, and to evidence such borrowing by the issuance and sale of tax and revenue anticipation notes; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 21, 2001, the Secretary of Education of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania declared the School District distressed pursuant to Section 691(c) of the Public School Code of 1949, as amended (“School Code”), effective December 22, 2001; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the School Code, upon a declaration of distress of a school district of the first class under Section 691(c) of the School Code, within thirty (30) days of such declaration, a School Reform Commission (“School Reform Commission” or “Commission”) shall be established; and

**WHEREAS**, effective January 14, 2002, the School Reform Commission was established; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the School Code, all powers and duties granted to the Board of Education of the School District, including the power to issue tax and revenue anticipation notes, are vested in the School Reform Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, the cash flow forecast with respect to budget requirements of the School District for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018 (“2018 Fiscal Year”), indicates that the School District will experience cash flow deficits during the 2018 Fiscal Year pending receipt of taxes and other revenues of the School District; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commission has found and determined that, in light of the current anticipated and potential future cash needs of the School District during the 2018 Fiscal Year, it is desirable for the Commission to authorize tax and revenue anticipation borrowing in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$575,000,000, to be undertaken in one or more series, the proceeds of which shall be applied to the funding of the School District’s cumulative cash flow deficits for the 2018 Fiscal Year; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commission has determined to authorize, in accordance with the Act, the issuance and sale, in the 2018 Fiscal Year, of tax and revenue anticipation notes evidencing such tax and revenue anticipation borrowing.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL REFORM COMMISSION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA, AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1. Authorization.** Authorization is hereby given for the issuance of (a) tax and revenue anticipation notes of the School District in the 2018 Fiscal Year, designated “Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes, Series A of 2017-2018,” issued on or about July 6, 2017, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$200,000,000 (“Series A Notes”); and (b) tax and revenue anticipation notes of the School District in the 2018 Fiscal Year, designated “Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes, Series B of 2017-2018,” of the School District, issued on or about July 6, 2017 in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$200,000,000 (“Series B Notes”). The Series A Notes and the Series B Notes are being authorized hereby and issued in the 2018 Fiscal Year for the purpose of funding the cumulative cash flow deficits of the School District forecasted to occur in the 2018 Fiscal Year.

Additional series of tax and revenue anticipation notes maturing on June 29, 2018 may be issued from time to time under this resolution, without further action of the Commission, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$175,000,000 (“Additional Notes” and, together with the Series A Notes and the Series B Notes, the “Notes”) in accordance with the Act. Such Additional Notes authorized hereby that may be issued in the 2018 Fiscal Year shall be issued for the purpose of funding cumulative cash flow deficits of the School District, if any, that may hereafter occur or may hereafter be forecasted to occur in the 2018 Fiscal Year above the cumulative cash flow deficit currently forecasted to occur in the School District’s 2018 Fiscal Year with respect to which the Series A Notes and the Series B Notes are issued.

Any Additional Notes will be equally and ratably secured from the date of issuance of the Additional Notes with the Series A Notes and the Series B Notes, until paid or until deposits for such payment have been made into an account in the Sinking Fund to be established for such Additional Notes, by a pledge of, security interest in and a lien and charge on the taxes and revenues of the School District to be received from the date of issuance of such Additional Notes until the stated maturity date thereof.

The Chief Financial Officer is duly authorized and directed to arrange with Bank of America, N.A. (“Bank of America”) and PNC Bank, National Association (“PNC”) for the issuance of Additional Notes as provided in the Series A Note Purchase and Credit Agreement and the Series B Note Purchase and Credit Agreement, as such terms are defined herein, if the School District encounters subsequent cash flow deficits.

**Section 2. Term of Notes.** Each Series of the Notes shall be dated the date of issuance thereof, and shall be stated to mature on June 29, 2018, which date is within the fiscal year of the School District in which the Notes are authorized and issued.

**Section 3. Aggregate Amount of Notes Within Statutory Limit.** It is hereby determined that the aggregate principal amount of the Notes will not exceed the lesser of:

(a) Eighty-five percent (85%) of the sum of taxes levied for the 2018 Fiscal Year and current revenues for such fiscal year to be received by the School District during the period when the Notes shall be outstanding and which are pledged for payment of the Notes, as estimated and certified by any member of the Commission, the Superintendent of the School District or the Chief Financial Officer of the School District (collectively, the “Authorized Officials” and individually, an “Authorized Official”) in accordance with the Act (said certified estimate being annexed hereto as Exhibit “A” and made a part hereof); or

(b) The maximum anticipated cumulative cash flow deficit of the School District during the 2018 Fiscal Year, as computed by the Chief Financial Officer of the School District in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (“Code”), and the regulations promulgated thereunder (said initial computation in connection with the issuance of the Series A Notes and the Series B Notes being annexed hereto as Exhibit “B” and made a part hereof) and subsequent computations to be prepared in connection with the issuance of Additional Notes.

**Section 4. Purchase of the Notes.**

(a) It is hereby determined that it is in the best financial interest of the School District to affect a private, negotiated sale of the Series A Notes. The proposal of the Bank of America to purchase the Series A Notes in a principal amount not to exceed \$200,000,000 and, from time to time, Additional Notes in a principal amount not to exceed \$87,500,000, from the School District for its own account at not less than par on the terms and conditions

set forth in the written proposal presented to this meeting, a copy of which shall be filed with the records of this meeting ("Series A Note Purchase and Credit Agreement"), is hereby accepted.

Bank of America has represented to the School District that it is purchasing the Series A Notes for its own account and not with the present intent for further distribution or resale.

Any Authorized Official is hereby authorized to evidence the acceptance authorized hereunder by executing and delivering the Series A Note Purchase and Credit Agreement to Bank of America.

(b) It is hereby determined that it is in the best financial interest of the School District to affect a private, negotiated sale of the Series B Notes. The proposal of the PNC Bank, National Association ("PNC") to purchase the Series B Notes in a principal amount not to exceed \$200,000,000 and, from time to time, Additional Notes in a principal amount not to exceed \$87,500,000 from the School District for its own account at not less than par on the terms and conditions set forth in the written proposal presented to this meeting, a copy of which shall be filed with the records of this meeting ("Series B Note Purchase and Credit Agreement"), is hereby accepted.

PNC has represented to the School District that it is purchasing the Series B Notes for its own account and not with the present intent for further distribution or resale.

Any Authorized Official is hereby authorized to evidence the acceptance authorized hereunder by executing and delivering the Series B Note Purchase and Credit Agreement to PNC.

**Section 5. Rates of Interest.**

(a) The Series A Notes shall bear interest, payable at maturity, calculated on the basis of actual days elapsed in a 365/366-day year, at the rate of 1.66% per annum.

(b) The Series B Notes shall bear interest, payable at maturity, calculated on the basis of actual days elapsed in a 365/366-day year, at the rate of 1.66% per annum.

(c) Each Series of Additional Notes shall bear interest as either a fixed or variable rate not-to-exceed nine percent (9%) as set forth in such Additional Notes and the related Note Purchase and Credit Agreement.

**Section 6. Pledge and Security Interest.** As required by Section 8125 of the Act, the Notes shall be equally and ratably secured by a pledge of, security interest in, and lien and charge on, the taxes and revenues of the School District to be received from the respective dates of issuance of the Notes until the stated maturity date thereof ("Pledged Revenues"), a certified estimate of the aggregate amount of such taxes and revenues being set forth in Exhibit "A" hereto. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the amounts irrevocably directed by the School District to be deposited on a daily basis directly into the School District's general obligation bond sinking funds ("Daily Sinking Fund Deposits") are not subject to such pledge, security interest, lien and charge. The certified estimate of the aggregate amount of taxes and revenues to be received in the 2018 Fiscal Year set forth in Exhibit "A" does not include the Daily Sinking Fund Deposits.

Any Authorized Official is hereby authorized and directed to prepare or cause to be prepared, on behalf of the School District, in favor of the Fiscal Agent, as secured party on behalf of the holders of the Notes, appropriate financing statements and cause the filing of such financing statements in accordance with the Pennsylvania Uniform Commercial Code in order to perfect such pledge, security interest, lien and charge.

The holders of the Notes shall have the right to enforce such pledge of, security interest in, and lien and charge on, the pledged taxes and revenues of the School District against all state and local public officials in possession of any such taxes and revenues at any time, which revenues and taxes may be collected directly from such officials upon notice by such holders for application to the payment of the Notes, as and when due or for deposit in the Sinking Fund, at the times and in the amounts specified herein and in the Notes, all in accordance with Section 8125 of the Act. The Fiscal Agent shall enforce such pledge, security interest and lien and charge equally and ratably for the benefit of and on behalf of the holders of the Notes, at the expense of the School District, in accordance with the provisions of this Resolution and the Act, including, without limitation, Section 8125 of the Act. The holders of the Notes shall deliver their Notes to the Fiscal Agent upon request of the Fiscal Agent in order to enable the Fiscal Agent to implement such enforcement.

**Section 7. Form and Provisions.**

(a) The forms and provisions of the Series A Notes and Series B Notes shall be substantially as set forth in the forms annexed hereto as Exhibit "C" and made a part hereof, which forms and provisions are hereby affirmed, approved and adopted. Additional Notes issued to Bank of America or PNC shall be in substantially the forms annexed hereto as Exhibit "C", with such changes thereto as are approved by the member of the School Reform Commission executing such note, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by such member's execution thereof.

(b) The Series A Notes, upon original issuance, are to be issued in the form of one fully registered note in the principal amount not to exceed \$200,000,000 registered to Bank of America, N.A.

(c) The Series A Notes are not subject to redemption prior to maturity or conversion to a variable rate.

(d) Each Series of Additional Notes issued to Bank of America shall be issued in fully registered form, registered to Bank of America in minimum denominations of \$10,000,000 and any integral multiple of \$5,000,000 in excess thereof.

(e) Each Series of Additional Notes issued to Bank of America bearing interest at a variable rate shall be subject to prepayment prior to maturity in whole or in part as provided in such Additional Notes and the Series A Note Purchase and Credit Agreement. The interest rate on each series of Additional Notes issued to Bank of America bearing interest at a variable rate is subject to conversion on or before October 31, 2017 to a fixed interest rate, as set forth in the Series A Note Purchase and Credit Agreement. Each Series of Additional Notes issued to Bank of America bearing interest at a fixed interest rate is not subject to redemption or prepayment prior to maturity or conversion to a variable rate.

(f) The Series B Notes, upon original issuance, are to be issued in the form of one fully registered note in the principal amount not to exceed \$200,000,000 registered to PNC.

(g) The Series B Notes are not subject to redemption prior to maturity or conversion to a variable rate.

(h) Each series of Additional Notes issued to PNC shall be issued in fully registered form, registered to PNC in minimum denominations of \$10,000,000 and any integral multiple of \$5,000,000 in excess thereof.

(i) Each Series of Additional Notes issued to PNC bearing interest at a variable rate shall be subject to prepayment prior to maturity in whole or in part as provided in such Additional Notes and the Series B Note Purchase and Credit Agreement. The interest rate on each Series of Additional Notes issued to PNC bearing interest at a variable rate is subject to conversion on or before October 31, 2017 to a fixed interest rate, as set forth in the Series B Note Purchase and Credit Agreement. Each Series of Additional Notes issued to PNC bearing interest at a fixed interest rate is not subject to redemption or prepayment prior to maturity or conversion to a variable rate.

**Section 8. Registration and Transfer.**

(a) The School District shall keep, at the designated corporate trust office of the Fiscal Agent, books for the registration, exchange and transfer of Notes and hereby appoints the Fiscal Agent its registrar and transfer agent to keep such books and to make such registrations, exchanges and transfers under such regulations as the School District or the Fiscal Agent may prescribe and as set forth in the forms of the Notes.

(b) The Notes may be transferred upon the registration books upon delivery to the Fiscal Agent of the Notes accompanied by a written instrument or instruments of transfer in form and with guaranty of signature satisfactory to the Fiscal Agent, duly executed by the registered owner of the Notes to be transferred or his duly authorized attorney-in-fact or other legal representative, containing written instructions as to the details of the transfer of such Notes. No transfer of any Note shall be effective until entered on the registration books maintained by the Fiscal Agent or its successor. In like manner Notes may be exchanged by the registered owners thereof or by their duly authorized attorneys-in-fact or other legal representative for Notes of authorized denomination or denominations in the same aggregate principal amount.

**Section 9. Execution and Authentication of Notes.** The Notes shall not be valid or obligatory in the hands of the holders thereof unless: (i) executed in the name and on behalf of the School District by the facsimile or manual signature of any member of the School Reform Commission, with the seal of the School District impressed,

imprinted or otherwise reproduced thereon, attested by the facsimile or manual signature of the Secretary or Assistant Secretary or any member of the School Reform Commission; and (ii) authenticated by the manual signature of an authorized officer of the Fiscal Agent.

**Section 10. Sinking Fund Depository and Fiscal Agent.** The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., having a corporate trust office in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, is hereby appointed Sinking Fund Depository and Fiscal Agent (“Fiscal Agent”) to act as registrar and transfer agent, sinking fund depository, fiscal and paying agent for the Notes. Any successor sinking fund depository and fiscal agent shall be a bank or national banking association with trust powers or a trust company. The Chief Financial Officer of the School District is hereby authorized and directed to contract with the Fiscal Agent for its services. The Fiscal Agent’s Agreement between the Fiscal Agent and the School District (“Fiscal Agent’s Agreement”) substantially in the form presented to this meeting, a copy of which shall be filed with the minutes of this meeting, is hereby approved. Any of the Authorized Officials is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Fiscal Agent’s Agreement in substantially such form, with such changes therein as counsel may advise and the Authorized Official executing the same shall approve, such execution being conclusive evidence of such Authorized Official’s approval.

**Section 11. Sinking Fund.** There is hereby established a sinking fund for the Notes to be designated “The School District of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes, Series of 2017-2018 Sinking Fund” (“Sinking Fund”), and, within the Sinking Fund, accounts as follows:

(a) an account designated as the “Series A Account,” to be held by the Fiscal Agent separate and apart from all other funds of the School District and the Fiscal Agent;

(b) an account designated as the “Series B Account,” to be held by the Fiscal Agent separate and apart from all other funds of the School District and the Fiscal Agent;

(c) such other accounts as the School District may direct the Fiscal Agent to establish in connection with the issuance of Additional Notes, if any, such accounts to be held by the Fiscal Agent separate and apart from all other funds of the School District and the Fiscal Agent (the Series A Account, Series B Account and any additional account established within the Sinking Fund are each referred to herein as an “Account” and collectively, as the “Accounts”); and

(d) the accounts established in the Sinking Fund pursuant to Section 2(a) through Section 2(b) shall be held by the Fiscal Agent in trust for the equal and ratable benefit of the holders of the Series A Notes and Series B Notes. If any accounts are established for Additional Notes, as provided in the Resolution, such accounts, together with the accounts established in Sections 2(a) through 2(b) hereof, shall be held in trust from the dates of issuance of such Additional Notes for the equal and ratable benefit of the holders of all of the Notes.

The School District hereby covenants, and the Chief Financial Officer of the School District is hereby authorized and directed, to pay to the Fiscal Agent for irrevocable deposit, on June 1, 2018 (“Deposit Date”) (i) into the Series A Account, \$200,000,000, plus all interest due on the Series A Notes on June 29, 2018 (“Series A Debt Service Requirement”); (ii) into the Series B Account, \$200,000,000, plus all interest due on the Series B Notes on June 29, 2018 (“Series B Debt Service Requirement”); and (iii) into any account established within the Sinking Fund in connection with the issuance of any Series of Additional Notes, the principal amount then outstanding of such Series of Additional Notes plus the interest due on such Additional Notes on June 29, 2018 (each, an “Additional Notes Debt Service Requirement”). The Series A Debt Service Requirement, Series B Debt Service Requirement, and Additional Notes Debt Service Requirement are each referred to herein as a “Debt Service Requirement” and are collectively referred to herein as the “Debt Service Requirements”.

The Fiscal Agent shall, no later than Noon, Philadelphia time, on June 4, 2018, determine whether the amounts on deposit in each Account within the Sinking Fund is equal to the applicable Debt Service Requirement. In the event that the Fiscal Agent determines that there is a deficiency in any Account, it shall immediately, and in no event later than 3:00 p.m. on June 4, 2018, notify the School District of the amount of such deficiency. The School District hereby covenants, and the Chief Financial Officer of the School District is hereby authorized and directed, to deposit an amount equal to such deficiency into such Account or Accounts within the Sinking Fund, on a pro-rata basis, no later than Noon, Philadelphia time, on June 7, 2018.

Failure of the School District to make payment in full when due on the final date specified for deposit in the preceding paragraph shall be cause for the immediate enforcement of the pledge, security interest, lien and charge

granted in Section 8125 of the Act and in Section 6 hereof. The Fiscal Agent shall enforce such pledge, security interest, lien and charge as provided in Section 8125 of the Act, Section 6 hereof and in the Fiscal Agent's Agreement.

The School District shall have the right, as soon as the amount on deposit in each and every Account in the Sinking Fund is equal to the Debt Service Requirement for the applicable Series of Notes to withdraw from such Account in the Sinking Fund at such intervals as the School District shall direct in writing to the Fiscal Agent any amounts in excess of the applicable Debt Service Requirement; provided that every other Account in the Sinking Fund contains the Debt Service Requirement for the applicable Series of Notes.

**Section 12. Investment of Sinking Fund Moneys.** At the written direction of the School District, the Fiscal Agent shall, to the extent not required for immediate payment of the Notes, invest the moneys held in the Sinking Fund in: (i) direct obligations of the United States of America or obligations, the principal of and interest on which are unconditionally guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America, and senior debt obligations rated, at the time of investment, "Aaa" by Moody's Investors Service and "AAA" by Standard and Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, issued by Fannie Mae or the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, senior debt obligations of the Federal Home Loan Bank System, and obligations of the Resolution Funding Corporation, which obligations are not guaranteed by the United States of America (collectively, "Government Obligations"); (ii) shares of an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, whose shares are registered under the Securities Act of 1933, including, without limitation, any such investment company for which the Fiscal Agent or an affiliate of the Fiscal Agent serves as investment manager, administrator, shareholder servicing agent, and/or custodian or subcustodian, notwithstanding that (a) the Fiscal Agent or an affiliate of the Fiscal Agent receives fees from such funds for services rendered, (b) the Fiscal Agent charges and collects fees for services rendered pursuant to this Resolution, which fees are separate from the fees received from such investment companies; and (c) services performed for such investment companies and pursuant to this Resolution may at times duplicate those provided to such funds by the Fiscal Agent or its affiliates; provided, that the following are met: (1) investments of that company are only in the authorized investments listed in clause (i) in this Section 12 and Repurchase Agreements (hereinafter defined); (2) the investment company is managed so as to maintain its shares at a constant net asset value in accordance with 17 CFR 270 2a-7 (relating to money market funds); and (3) the investment company is rated at the time of investment in the highest category by a nationally recognized rating agency, or (iii) interest bearing deposits in any bank or bank and trust company or national banking association having a combined net capital and surplus in excess of \$100,000,000 (including the Fiscal Agent or any of its affiliates); provided that all such deposits shall, to the extent not insured by a federal agency or instrumentality, be secured as to principal by a pledge of Government Obligations. The Fiscal Agent, in purchasing Government Obligations, may make any purchase subject to agreement with the seller for repurchase of such Government Obligations at a later date, and in such connection may accept the seller's agreement for the payment of interest in lieu of the right to receive the interest payable by the issue of the Government Obligations purchased; provided that: (A) the seller is a bank or bank and trust company or national banking association having a combined net capital and surplus in excess of \$100,000,000 or a government securities dealer approved by the School District; and (B) such Government Obligations shall be pledged as hereinafter provided (such agreements are hereinafter referred to as "Repurchase Agreements").

Proper officers of the School District may direct the Fiscal Agent in writing to enter into agreements with providers approved by the School District for the forward purchase and delivery of Government Obligations.

All Government Obligations and interest bearing deposits shall mature or be subject to redemption at the option of the holder at not less than par or the purchase price therefor on or prior to the date fixed for payment of principal of or interest on the Notes. All Repurchase Agreements shall have a term no greater than thirty (30) days.

Any Government Obligations pledged as security for Repurchase Agreements shall be subject to a perfected first security interest in favor of the Fiscal Agent, free and clear of all claims of third parties and shall be: (i) in the case of direct obligations of the United States which can be pledged by a book-entry notation under regulations of the United States Department of the Treasury, appropriately entered on the records of a Federal Reserve Bank; or (ii) in the case of other Government Obligations, either (A) deposited with the Fiscal Agent or with a Federal Reserve Bank for the account of the Fiscal Agent, or (B) if the Government Obligation is shown on the account of the pledgor on the books of a clearing corporation, as defined in Division 8, Section 102(a) of the Pennsylvania Uniform Commercial Code (13 Pa. C.S.A. §8102(a)), by making appropriate entries evidencing the acquisition of a securities



entitlement on the books of the clearing corporation as provided in Division 8, Section 501(b) of the Pennsylvania Uniform Commercial Code (13 Pa. C.S.A. §8501(b)). All Repurchase Agreements entered into by the Fiscal Agent, at the written direction of the School District, shall provide that the required ratio of the market value of the Government Obligations so purchased to the repurchase price thereof shall be 102% and shall further require the market value of all Government Obligations so purchased to be determined daily during the term of each Repurchase Agreement.

**Section 13. Application of Sinking Fund Moneys.** The Fiscal Agent shall apply the moneys, deposits and investments held in the Sinking Fund only to the payment of principal and interest due to the holders of the Notes, equally and ratably, when the same become due and payable on June 29, 2018, in accordance with the Act and the provisions hereof. Payments from the Sinking Fund shall be applied first to interest and then to principal. When payment in full of the principal and interest due to the holders of the Notes has been made from the Sinking Fund, any balance in the Sinking Fund shall be paid by the Fiscal Agent to the School District, at the written direction of the School District.

**Section 14. Acts of the Fiscal Agent.** The Fiscal Agent may execute any powers hereunder and perform any duties required of it through attorneys, agents, officers or employees, and shall be entitled to advice of counsel concerning all questions hereunder. The Fiscal Agent may rely and shall be protected in acting on any notice, telegram, request, consent, waiver, certificate, statement, affidavit or other document which it in good faith believes to be genuine and to have been passed or signed by the proper persons or to have been prepared and furnished pursuant to any of the provisions of this Resolution; the Fiscal Agent shall be under no duty to make any investigation as to any statement contained in any such instrument, but may accept the same as conclusive evidence of the accuracy of such statement. The Fiscal Agent shall not be answerable for the exercise of any discretion or power hereunder, except only its own willful misconduct or negligence.

**Section 15. Covenants in Respect of Federal Tax Laws.** The School District hereby covenants that it will not take any action, or fail to take any action, if any such action or failure to take action would adversely affect the exclusion from gross income of the holders of the Notes of the interest on the Notes under Section 103 of the Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder. The School District hereby further covenants that it will not directly or indirectly use or permit the use of any proceeds of the Notes or any other funds of the School District, or take or omit to take any action that would cause the Notes to be "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of Section 148(a) of the Code and that it will comply with all requirements of Section 148 of the Code to the extent applicable to the Notes. In the event that at any time the School District is of the opinion that for purposes of this Section 15 it is necessary to restrict or limit the yield on the investment of any moneys held by the Fiscal Agent, the School District shall so instruct the Fiscal Agent in writing, and the Fiscal Agent shall take such action as may be necessary to comply with such instructions.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the School District shall pay or cause to be paid from time to time all amounts required to be rebated to the United States of America pursuant to Section 148(f) of the Code and any temporary, proposed or final Treasury Regulations as may be applicable to the Notes from time to time. This rebate obligation shall survive payment in full or defeasance of the Notes.

**Section 16. Notes to be General Obligations of the School District.** The Notes shall be general obligations of the School District and, if the same shall not be paid within the fiscal year in which they are issued, shall be deemed to be non-electoral debt of the School District enforceable in the manner of a general obligation which, unless funded pursuant to the Act, shall be included in the budget of the School District for the ensuing fiscal year and shall be payable from the taxes and revenues of such ensuing fiscal year, as required by the Act.

**Section 17. Continuing Disclosure Agreements.** The School District hereby covenants that it shall continue to comply with its continuing disclosure agreements in effect relating to the debt of the School District incurred under the Act so long as the Notes remain outstanding under the Act.

**Section 18. Ratification of Prior Action.** All actions heretofore taken and all documents heretofore prepared by all officers of the School District in connection with the Notes and other matters contemplated hereby are hereby ratified, confirmed and adopted.

**Section 19. Resolution and Act a Contract; Amendment.** This Resolution and the Act as in force on the date hereof shall constitute a contract between the School District and the registered owners from time to time of the Notes. Said contract may be modified without the consent of said registered owners insofar as any such

modification does not adversely affect their rights as such, and in other respects it may be modified with the consent of the registered owners of not less than fifty-one percent (51%) in principal amount of the Notes then outstanding; provided, however, that no such modification may be made which would reduce such percentage required for consent, or affect the rights of the owners of less than all of the outstanding Notes, or affect the terms of payment of the principal of, or interest on, or the security interest in the pledged taxes and revenues securing the Notes without the consent of the registered owners of all of the affected Notes. If and for so long as a securities depository is the sole registered owner of the Notes, any amendment that would otherwise require the consent of registered owners shall require the consent of the beneficial owners of not less than fifty-one percent (51%) or one hundred percent (100%), as applicable, in principal amount of the Notes then outstanding.

**Section 20. Appointment of Bond Counsel and Financial Advisor.**

(a) The law firm of Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, LLC of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania is hereby appointed Bond Counsel in connection with the Notes.

(b) The financial advisory firm of Phoenix Capital Partners LLP of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, is hereby appointed Financial Advisor with respect to the Notes.

**Section 21. Further Action.** The members of the Commission and the Authorized Officials are hereby jointly and severally authorized and directed to take or cause to be taken such further action and to prepare, execute and file such documents and instruments as they may consider necessary or appropriate to implement the purposes of this Resolution, the Series A Note Purchase and Credit Agreement, the Series B Note Purchase and Credit Agreement, the Fiscal Agent's Agreement, and any documents necessary in connection with the issuance of any Additional Notes.

**Section 22. Filing with the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development.** Any of the Authorized Officials are hereby authorized and directed to cause the filing of a certified copy of this Resolution, the certificate as to the taxes and revenues remaining to be collected and true copies of the Series A Note Purchase and Credit Agreement and the Series B Note Purchase and Credit Agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, as required by Section 8128 of the Act.

**Section 23. Headings.** Headings used in this Resolution are for the ease of reference only and do not form a part hereof.

**Section 24. Repeals.** All resolutions and parts of resolutions, to the extent the same are inconsistent herewith, are hereby rescinded and repealed.

**Section 25. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall be effective immediately, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2017.

The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Mr. Green, Ms. Jimenez, Dr. McGinley, Mr. Richman, Chair Wilkerson – 5

Nays: 0

*\*A complete copy of Resolution SRC-1 with Exhibits is on file with the minutes of the School Reform Commission.*

**SRC-2 (As Amended)**

**Authorization of Keystone Opportunity Zone**

WHEREAS, the General Assembly has enacted Act No. 79 of 2008 (the "Act"), amending Act No. 92 of 1988, the Keystone Opportunity Zone Act authorizing certain exemptions, abatements, credits and deductions of certain state taxes in certain deteriorated areas of the Commonwealth, known as Keystone Opportunity Zones ("KOZ"), Expansion Zones ("KOEZ"), and Improvement Zones ("KOIZ"), in order to promote development and job formation; and

WHEREAS, the Act makes the foregoing exemptions, abatements, credits and deductions of state taxes contingent on the grant of certain exemptions, abatements, credits and deductions by all local taxing authorities with taxing jurisdiction over the affected deteriorated area; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the Director of Commerce of the City of Philadelphia previously applied to the

Commonwealth, pursuant to the Act, to designate certain deteriorated areas of the city of Philadelphia Keystone Opportunity Zones, Expansion Zones and Improvement Zones, and to extend the duration of certain previously-designated zones, and to subject such areas to the exemptions, abatements, credits and deductions authorized by the Act; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly has passed and the Governor has signed SB 1237, Act No. 16 of 2012, which modified the existing KOZ legislation by allowing for a ten (10) year extension of the term for unoccupied KOEZ and KOIZ; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has approved and the Mayor has signed Bill No. 170515 which provides for the exemptions, abatements, credits and deductions required by the Act in order to qualify for the designations and extensions referenced above and as specifically set forth on the attached property list, Schedule 1; and

WHEREAS, the Act requires that all taxing authorities with jurisdiction over a proposed Keystone Opportunity Zone, Expansion Zone or Improvement Zone enact an ordinance or resolution to be included with the City's application to the Commonwealth, providing for exemptions, abatements, credits and/or deductions from certain taxes within the Zones; and

WHEREAS, the Act specifically requires that all real property tax imposed on real property within the Zones be abated, and that no tax shall be imposed on the use or occupancy of real property within the Zones, all subject to certain conditions set forth in the Act; and

WHEREAS, the School Reform Commission has determined that it is in the best interest of the City to implement the extensions referenced above and to provide for the aforementioned abatements, credits, exemptions and deductions; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that, subject to and contingent upon approval by the Commonwealth of the extended designations, all real estate taxes imposed on real property located in the Zones are abated, and a person or business subject to realty use and occupancy tax with respect to real property located in the Zones may claim one hundred percent (100%) exemption from such tax, all subject to the conditions set forth in Bill No. 170515, and further subject to the agreement of the City of Philadelphia that, with respect to applications for extension pursuant to the Act, the City shall provide notice to the School Reform Commission at the time such application is submitted, of the date of the application and all properties for which exemptions and abatement are sought in such application; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing abatements and exemptions shall be effective and irrevocable for the periods set forth in Bill No. 170515, all contingent upon approval of the extended designations; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Zones shall be defined as encompassing the geographical areas designated by the Commonwealth, in accordance with The City of Philadelphia's application for extension pursuant to the Act, which application shall include all or less than all of the geographical areas contained in the Ordinance, a copy of which is on file with the Commission; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that, notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, no property shall be included in any Zone unless the owner of such property has entered into an agreement for "Payments in Lieu of Taxes" ("PILOT"), containing such terms and conditions as will provide for the maximum payment amount permissible under Section 310 of the Act, as amended; and further, the School Reform Commission hereby authorizes and directs the School District of Philadelphia, through the Superintendent or his designee, to execute, deliver and perform such PILOTs, which PILOTs shall be separate agreements between the School District and property owners and between the City and property owners.

Commissioner Green introduced a motion to amend resolution SRC-2 to include the following: "the City shall provide notice to the School Reform Commission at the time such application is submitted, of the date of the application and all properties for which exemptions and abatement are sought in such application"; and "no property shall be included in any Zone unless the owner of such property has entered into an agreement for "Payments in Lieu of Taxes" ("PILOT)".

The vote on the motion to amend resolution SRC-2 was as follows:

Yeas: Mr. Green, Ms. Jimenez, Dr. McGinley, Mr. Richman, Chair Wilkerson – 5

Nays: 0

The vote on resolution SRC-2 as amended was as follows:

Yeas: Mr. Green, Ms. Jimenez, Dr. McGinley, Mr. Richman, Chair Wilkerson – 5

Nays: 0

## **II. EDUCATION SUPPORT SERVICES**

*None Submitted*

## **III. EDUCATION SERVICES**

### **B-1**

#### **Operating Budget: \$6,687,500 Contract with Philadelphia OIC – Alternative Education Program**

RESOLVED, that the School Reform Commission authorizes The School District of Philadelphia, through the Superintendent or his designee, to execute, deliver and perform a contract with Philadelphia OIC to operate an alternative education program for an amount not to exceed \$6,687,500.00 for the period commencing July 7, 2017 through June 30, 2022.

*Description:* This resolution seeks authorization for the School District of Philadelphia to enter into a contract with Philadelphia OIC to operate an accelerated alternative education program for fiscal years 2018 through 2022 based on selection from the competitive bid process Request for Proposals 520.

Request for Proposals (RFP) 520 sought proposals for high-support, academically rigorous programs for out-of-school youth, students significantly at risk of dropping out, those subject to disciplinary transfer or expulsion, and students returning from adjudicated placements. This resolution is related to a provider of one type, Accelerated Programming. Accelerated Programs provide students with unique educational experiences that aggressively prepare them for high school graduation and post secondary success. Philadelphia OIC's diverse-range, program model offering will be our first program that fully aligns high school graduation and post secondary success through defined career pathways. Philadelphia OIC responded successfully to RFP 520 and SDP is seeking to have Philadelphia OIC provide 125 accelerated seats starting in the Fall of 2017.

RFP 520 was released on January 6, 2017; vendor responses were due on February 7, 2017. The District received proposals in response to each type of program: 12 Accelerated, 2 AEDY Transition, 2 Continuation, and 1 Dual Enrollment.

Proposals received in response to RFP 520 were reviewed by an evaluation team consisting of 29 educators that included District employees and outside partners. Each proposal submitted was reviewed by five evaluators. Bidders with average proposal scores of 65 or higher out of 90 possible points were recommended to continue the RFP process. New applicants who earned enough points to continue the process were required to deliver oral presentations to Opportunity Network leadership and members of the evaluation committee. School-based site visits were conducted for new applicants with existing schools. In addition to the evaluation team, the Office of Small Business Development scored each proposal to ensure that minority and woman-owned business enterprise (M/WBE) participation plans met or exceeded District guidelines.

The School Reform Commission approved contracts with eight vendors based on results from Request for Proposals 520 on April 27, 2017 pursuant to resolution number B-4. Philadelphia OIC was not included in the resolution that was approved on April 27, 2017 and International Education and Community Initiatives, d/b/a One Bright Ray was approved to operate programs to serve a total of 800 students.

This resolution with Philadelphia OIC will remain budget neutral from the resolution approved on April 27, 2017;

the District will contract with International Education and Community Initiatives, d/b/a One Bright Ray for 675 seats instead of the 800 seats that were originally approved. This resolution seeks approval to contract with Philadelphia OIC for the remaining 125 seats.

ABC Code/Funding Source	\$6,687,500.00
1100-081-9900-144A-3291	

The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Mr. Green, Ms. Jimenez, Dr. McGinley, Mr. Richman, Chair Wilkerson – 5

Nays: 0

The meeting was recessed at 12:45 p.m. and reconvened at 1:07 p.m. following the business of the Intermediate Unit.

Chair Wilkerson thanked the School District’s financial advisor, Phoenix Capital, bond counsel, Eckert Seamans, as well as Bank of America and PNC Bank for their fine work on behalf of the School District. She also like thanked Uri Monson and his team for their excellent work on this.

Chair Wilkerson extended wished everyone a wonderful summer and stated that the next meeting is on August 17<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m.

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 1:07 p.m.

Joyce S. Wilkerson, Chair  
School Reform Commission

William R. Hite  
Superintendent

**PHILADELPHIA INTERMEDIATE UNIT #26  
MEETING OF THE SCHOOL REFORM COMMISSION  
PHILADELPHIA, PA**

**JULY 6, 2017**

A meeting of the School Reform Commission sitting as the Board of Directors of the Intermediate Unit was held on July 6, 2017 in the Auditorium of the School District of Philadelphia Education Center, 440 North Broad Street.

The meeting was convened at 12:45 p.m. by Chair Wilkerson

**Members present:** Mr. Green, Ms. Jimenez, Dr. McGinley, Ms. Richman, Chair Wilkerson – 5

**Members absent:** 0

Miles Shore, Deputy General Counsel, stated notice of this Special Meeting of the School Reform Commission was published on June 26, 2017 in the *Philadelphia Daily News* and the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, and posted on the School District of Philadelphia website.

The following resolution was presented for formal action by the School Reform Commission:

**IU-1**

**IDEA: \$10,050,000 Contract with Catapult Learning, Inc. – IU Alternative Special Education Program (Formerly IU-7 from June 15, 2017)**

RESOLVED, that the School Reform Commission acting in its capacity as Board of Directors of the Philadelphia Intermediate Unit 26 (IU-26), authorizes IU-26, through the Executive Director or his designee, to execute, deliver and perform a contract with Catapult Learning, Inc. to provide an Alternative Special Education Program for students with disabilities in grades K through 12, and primarily for students with emotional disturbance and with severe disabilities, for an amount not to exceed \$10,050,000, for the period commencing July 7, 2017 through June 30, 2020.

*Description:* This resolution is to request authorization to contract with Catapult Learning, Inc., to provide a full-time alternative special education program for students with disabilities in grades K through 12. This Philadelphia Intermediate Unit (IU) alternative special education program shall be designed to specifically fit the needs of students with disabilities and shall have strong academic, behavioral, transition from school to work, and therapeutic related services programs.

The purpose of this resolution is to allow the District to contract with a full-time alternative special education program provider, Catapult Learning, Inc. (Catapult), to provide programming to students previously served by Wordsworth and other students whose needs may be met by the program. Catapult's Philadelphia Intermediate Unit (IU) Program (IU Program) shall be designed to specifically fit the needs of students with disabilities and shall have strong academic, behavioral, transition from school to work, and therapeutic related services programs.

The program will begin on September 5, 2017 and follow the IU calendar each year, providing the requisite number of scheduled school and staff days. The IU Program shall begin serving 100 students in the 2017-18 school year, prioritizing their placement in existing, functioning District schools. During a three (3) year term, the Contractor shall train personnel from the School District to fully staff and operate the program, and transition the site location and program over to the IU as a fully functioning IU program for students with special needs, staffed by School District personnel.

The IU Alternative Special Education Program shall function as a dynamic best-practices training facility for School District teachers and staff, and as a model special education program for the Delaware Valley region.

Catapult was selected through a competitive process, by way of Request for Proposal (RFP), No. 546, issued by the School District's Office of Procurement Services on April 26, 2017.

ABC Code/Funding Source	\$10,050,000.00
1901-005-9580-1272-3221 2017-2018 (\$3,350,000.00)	
1901-005-9580-1272-3221 2018-2019 (\$3,350,000.00)	
1901-005-9580-1272-3221 2019-2020 (\$3,350,000.00)	

Commissioner Richman stated that she strongly supports an integrated setting for children and youth with special needs to be in schools with age appropriate and non-disabled peers. Special needs for her includes children with behavioral challenges, intellectual disabilities, children on the autism spectrum, children with low incidence handicaps, or any combination of the above. She stated that all of children and youth are entitled to an education with age appropriate peers as dictated in the IEP. Currently Wordsworth School as an approved private school, offers a segregated setting with no exposure to age appropriate, non-disabled peers. Commissioner Richman stated that though the School District will not have a contract with Wordsworth, she recognized that some parents, as dictated by the IEP may choose the educational setting for their child, and that some parents may choose to have their child remain at Wordsworth. She stated that she hoped that parents of students with special needs fully understand that they have options available to them. Commissioner Richman stated that the proposed Catapult contract has been reconstructed to provide an alternative for the Wordsworth student, which allows them to be with age appropriate, non-disabled peers. She stated that the contract also includes a training component which will allow the District in three years to provide truly integrated classroom supports. As an enhancement, the District will monitor students’ reintegration into the regular classroom on a regular basis.

Commissioner McGinley stated that he was strongly opposed to resolution IU-7, but will support resolution IU-1 today. Commissioner McGinley also stated that he has urged the Administration not to use the E. S. Miller site, and stated that the Administration has been responsive to concerns raised by parents, the community and advocates. He stated that resolution IU-1 is more narrowly focused. Commissioner McGinley expressed concerns about the use of the term “emotional disturbance”.

Commissioner Green stated that Commissioners McGinley and Richman raised concerns early on about this resolution. He stated that advocates educated him on this topic, and thanked them for the detailed analysis provided.

Cheryl Logan, Chief of Academic Support, provided an overview of the Request for Proposal (RFP) process, of which there were three respondents. Dr. Logan stated that the District visited three sites in Delaware, NE Maryland, and Laurel, Maryland. She confirmed that the resolution is for 100 students, and that parents must agree to the IEP. Catapult represents one of several options. Dr. Logan stated that two sites have been identified, and that the District is looking at another to be identified site. In response to Commissioner Jimenez, Dr. Logan stated that she did not observe “online” learning, but observed blended learning in high schools. Dr. Logan discussed the District’s “Monitoring Plan”.

The vote was as follows:

Yeas: Mr. Green, Ms. Jimenez, Dr. McGinley, Ms. Richman, Chair Wilkerson – 5

Nays: 0

Chair Wilkerson expressed thanks to District staff and advocates.

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 1:07 p.m.

Joyce S. Wilkerson, Chair  
School Reform Commission

William R. Hite, Jr.  
Executive Director