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Sent: Friday, December 16, 2016 9:45 AM
To: Keith Ferguson; Gina Picinich
Cc: Rubbo, Angelo; Bracco, Andrew; Dow, Colette; LaColla, Carole; Staropoli, Beth
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That would be great Keith. Thanks so much! Chris

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 16, 2016, at 3:39 PM, Keith Ferguson <keith.ferguson@tscmlc.com> wrote:

Hey Dr. Manno,
I will take a look over the weekend.

Since you haven't had a response from Dr. Hochman, would you like one of us to reach out to Dr. Hochman as well (probably makes sense to wait until Monday...but just wanted to offer).

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Subject: RE: BCSD Advocacy Whitepaper Executive Summary
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Outstanding feedback and ideas Gina. Thank you for your efforts and partnership. Let's talk about #3 during our meeting this week. We can revise the language on the screen in real time.

Agreed especially with regard to our PTO's.

Mr. Gee and I will try to meet prior to our meeting on Thursday to identify some options for a tech platform to promote our advocacy efforts. We want to make it as easy as possible for our constituents to send their message.

Best Regards,

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Subject: Re: BCSD Advocacy Whitepaper Executive Summary

I forwarded the links to our BCSDTogether team. I recommended that our group send an email to our distribution list and post on Facebook. We can provide an additional channel for visibility, though I don't think many folks will be paying attention during the holidays.

Knowing that the Executive Office education "budget runs" were in process, BCSDTogether began a "letter writing" campaign a few weeks ago. Our efforts focused on our perceived inequity of NYS aid distribution and the need for change to the Foundation Aid formula. The Advocacy White Paper goes further to make specific recommendations for change. When the BCSD issues its community call to action, we will align with your effort.

As to the paper itself, there may be a need to modify recommendation #3. I believe in our meeting with NYS budget officials, they indicated that tax exempt properties were not included in assessed value calculations. I think Keith or Angelo can provide confirmation or further clarity.

In addition to the administration reaching out to NYS officials, I believe unleashing the power of our PTOs can have a significant impact. Communications from dissatisfied voters will likely get the attention of legislators.

Respectfully,
Gina

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Dear Keith,

These are great suggestions. Very insightful! We'll work on incorporating. See you Thursday.

Best,

Chris

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Begin forwarded message:

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Dr. Manno,
Looks good!

A few suggestions/comments:

1. At the end of the day, BCSD will get no sympathy from the rest of the state, and the recent Niche school rankings further undermine that. The focus for our advocacy (i.e., what we need to "sell") is that we are at the front lines of a bigger issue that is creating a "separate but not equal problem" in the state. It can't be about just us, or it will be dismissed as us sort of whining. Specifically, the issue is highlighted by the one slide in my powerpoint presentation that points out that the districts in Westchester/Putnam that have the highest ELL% of the population also have the highest student/teacher ratios. That is a significant problem, particularly with added mandates (changes to Part 154) that requires more instruction for those students. From the data in that slide, the districts that have ELL students at 5% of the total population or less, the average student/teacher ratio is 12.21. For districts with over 10% ELL population, the student/teacher ratio is 14.26 (that's 17% higher on an absolute basis. If you can somehow factor in that the ELL students are higher needs (with all the mandates), that ratio is that much more distorted! That applies to a lot of other districts.
2. Just something to consider, but there are a lot of people in the district who are firmly against eliminating the cap, and changing the super majority rule. I think you have navigated your technical argument well, but it is worth noting.
3. As Gina pointed out that the NY Budget director (Joseph Conroy) we spoke with did indicate the state aid formula doesn't include non-profits in the wealth calculation. I think the full (vs the summary) white paper goes into the detail of veteran's exemptions, etc. and that makes sense. Minor suggestion: Perhaps recommendation #3 can generalize the word "entities".

4. Using the “mean” vs the “median” makes a ton of sense. But the key problem Mr. Conroy pointed out is that would mean there is a lot more money distributed to NYC. The point is that as you dig into the formula, you realize quickly how gerrymandered the entire system is, and the delicate “balance” that policy makers are trying to manage. My presentation clearly shows the state aid formula isn’t working, but then the real problem for policy makers is opening the can of worms that drastically alters the current distribution framework. I think the median absolutely makes sense for us, but the question is are we better off highlighting where the current framework doesn’t work, with perhaps the ELL student ratio gaining a higher weight? This is perhaps an issue where we would need a lot of other districts advocating the same way, so we should make sure there is broader support, as I suspect it will be difficult to change if it is only us (and perhaps NYC) advocating.
5. Is there a concise letter drafted to send to the state legislators? I know you are in the process of looking into the “click here” to automatically send a letter out to all state reps. Such a system should also keep track of the volume, though it wouldn’t include constituents who write on their own. We need to light that fire!!
6. Inflation expectations have moved much higher post-election. The tax cap is currently 2% or inflation, whichever is less. Right now we are worried that the inflation measure doesn’t measure our costs, as it is too low. That view could quickly turn into the 2% cap being the limiting factor if inflation was higher.

In short, BCSD has to highlight problems that are building for the state as a whole, not just us specifically. We can easily make the argument that we are at the front lines. I suspect many legislators don’t realize how much the demographics have changed, including the significant student enrollment declines in many school districts. The question we should be constantly asking ourselves is that if we were them, what will get them to act? They aren’t going to single handily help a wealth district, such as BCSD.

As a side note, Mr. Conroy was clearly annoyed with the Alliance for Quality Education and the CFE lawsuit that helped NYC schools. It is worth reaching out to them to at least get their views, as they did achieve some success, but it isn’t something to highlight publicly at least initially, given Mr. Conroy’s reaction. I thought the CFE lawsuit applied only to NYC schools, and that the state had applied that formula to the all districts until the 2008 recession. Are you sure that the formula today is based on the CFE lawsuit?

Again, I’m just passing along some thoughts.

Keith

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Thanks for getting back to me Jere.

A few items. I want to make sure folks from the State have the most recent document. Here it is with an Executive Summary linked within, <http://www.bcsdny.org/files/filesystem/boardadvocacywhitepaperbcsdworkingdraft.pdf>

I understand that you and other key decision and policy makers “get it” and understand our predicament. You lived it. The purpose of the Whitepaper is two-fold. While advocating policy makers for change is very important, utilizing it as an educational tool for our local constituents is just as important. I tried to make the document clear and consumable so we could do so.

Please know that we have not gone it alone on this. I worked directly with Mary Fox of LHCOSS on their advocacy document, and she reviewed this document so they are in alignment. I have also discussed this with BOCES and NYSSBA. I read carefully all their advocacy docs, including NYSCOSS, NYASBO, and WPSBA and aligned our message with those where appropriate. They do have some positions that don't benefit Bedford, so I left those out.

I have spoken directly with our legislators. I am not “blowing smoke” at you, but they all said “you” are “the guy” to talk to first. After the new year, I will be meeting with all our reps to review the key points.

Thanks again Jere for taking the time to consider this work. I hope we can get together for a quick breakfast after the new year to discuss this further. I would value your insights.

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Dear BAC:

In preparation for an effective January 3, 2017, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. BAC Meeting, a subgroup of experienced BAC committee members met tonight to review the agenda for 1/3 and to provide input on the agenda and process. It was extraordinarily helpful.

Attached you will find:

- ✓ Our agenda for January 3rd. Please review it very carefully so you know exactly what we will be doing, and how to prepare to effectively engage in the meeting. This is an important meeting because it will yield direct recommendations to the BoE Finance Committee and BoE as a whole.
- ✓ Our Situation Appraisal Minutes which are reflected in the agenda. These items make up our “Essential Questions” in the agenda.
- ✓ A Dashboard we created which will help us more efficiently review key fiscal health data points. Dean Zarras stated he can easily create this report using the data he loaded in ClearFactr. We’ll also provide backup reports, but this dashboard will help us run through the number quickly. We don’t want to spend our meeting time reviewing spreadsheets, but synthesizing your thoughts on future direction and big ideas.
- ✓ Notes from our Space and Enrollment Committee Decision Analysis. What is missing is a full financial analysis of closing a school. We will be working on this; however, you can review the direction of the committee given enrollment trends and other factors. It was suggested tonight that BAC may be able to look at this from a different lens. We value that perspective.

We have provided extensive data to the committee regarding district finances. All can be found under the left column of the website, “District Reports and Info” → “District Advisory Committee Information” → “[Budget Advisory Committee.](#)”

Thank you for your valued serviced to BCSD! We wish everyone, and your families, a peaceful and joyous holiday season, and good health and happiness in the New Year!

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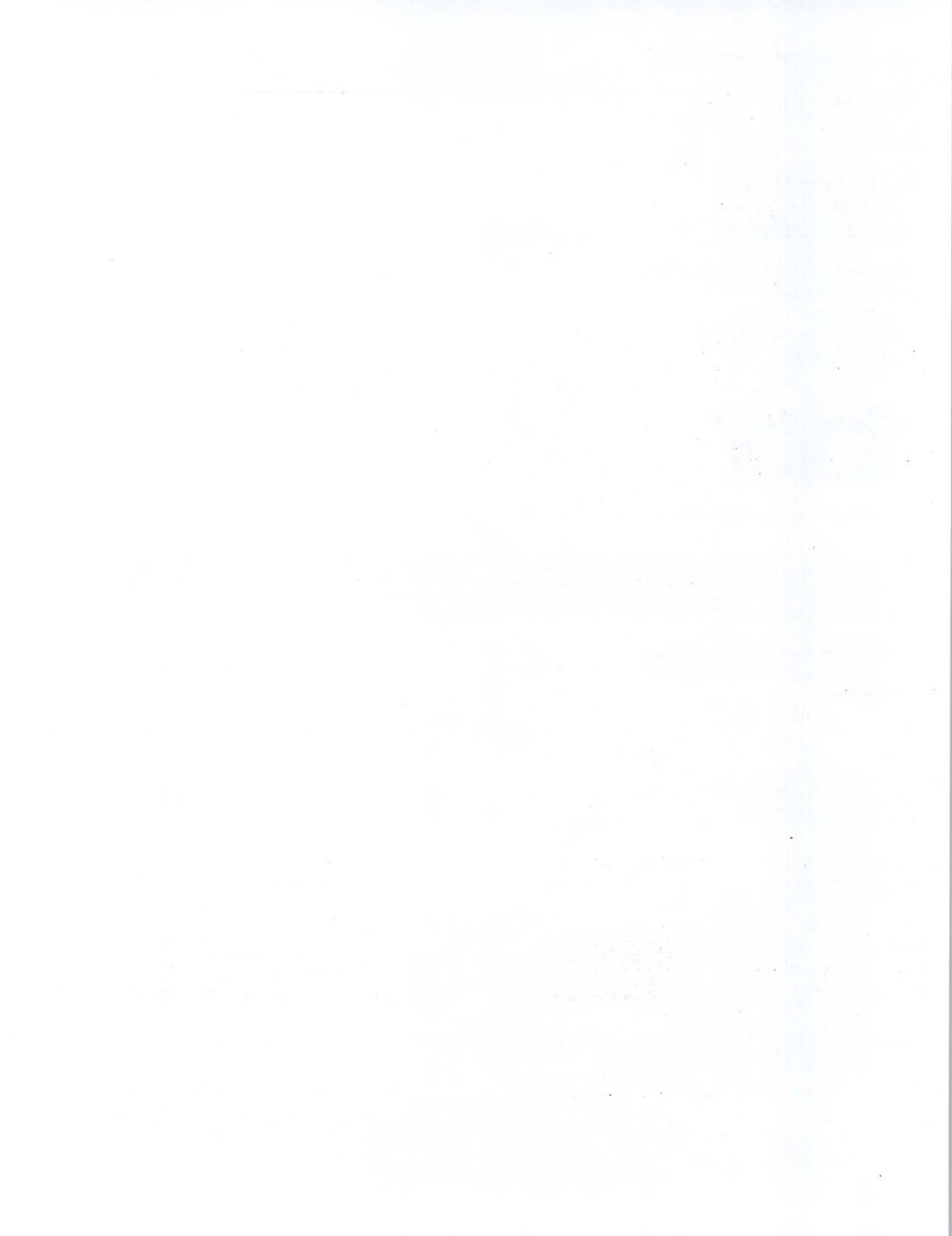
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<http://www.bcsdny.org/news.cfm?story=1212>

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Subject: Budget Advisory Committee January 3, 2017 Minutes and CONSENSUS SURVEY

Dear Budget Advisory Committee:

Attached you will find the following:

- Our January 3rd agenda.
- The BAC Dashboard, which we reviewed.
- The raw notes from our brainstorming session for recommendations to the BoE.

Here's the IMPORTANT PART...

The following is a [link to a Google Survey](#) to help our committee establish "Consensus Recommendations", "Majority Recommendations", and "Minority Recommendations" for the Board of Education. The good news is that everyone's ideas will be conveyed to the Board Finance Subcommittee and full Board of Education for consideration. PLEASE, please read the instructions before taking the survey. The instructions include VERY important information. Thanks. We need *everyone* on the committee to take the survey for it to be effective.

<https://goo.gl/forms/zBCAySbim7w5E2Z23>

Mr. Rubbo and I have one more task; however, I am not going to hold up the minutes for that. We need to take the group's feedback (in the raw notes) on the Advocacy Whitepaper, Executive Summary, and Presentation and incorporate them. We will do it this week and send the group our product.

Thanks for your dedicated service to the committee, Board, and community. We value your contributions to this very important work!

Have a great rest of the weekend!

Best Regards,

Chris

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To: Gina Picinich; Keith Ferguson
Subject: RE: White Paper Feedback
Attachments: Dr Christopher Manno.vcf; whitepapersummary.docx

Gina and Keith,

I agree that an easy to read and use version is important. I will take a look at what you have provided and modify the Executive Summary already on our website at <http://www.bcSDny.org/news.cfm?story=1212>. Look at the highlight news window in the left pane of our website.

At <http://www.bcSDny.org/news.cfm?story=1212> you will find three versions of the Advocacy Whitepaper – full paper, executive summary, and fairly easy to consume PowerPoint presentation. I'll try to make the executive summary even more easy to consume, based on the document you shared.

What you find on the website at the previous link is just about as far as the District can go, given the advice of counsel. I plan to meet directly with legislators but see the following advice from counsel. In summary, we need help now from our PTA's and BCSD Together to do that actual heavy lifting of advocacy, as it is impermissible for us to expend funds to do so. The below is related to whether the district could contract with Voter Voice to promote its advocacy position.

Such expenditure would be an impermissible use of public funds for lobbying purposes, which use has been held to be improper by the New York State Court of Appeals in Matter of Phillips v. Maurer, 67 N.Y.2d 672 (1986). In Matter of Phillips, the Court found that while a board of education is permitted to expend public monies to present information regarding a proposed annual budget, a board of education may not disseminate information, at the taxpayer's expense "patently designed to exhort the electorate to cast their ballots in support of a particular position advocated by the board." 67 N.Y.2d 672 at 674. Citing Stern v. Kramarsky, 84 Misc.2d 447, 452 (N.Y. Co. Ct. 1975), the Phillips Court stated "to educate, to inform, to advocate or to promote voting on any issue may be undertaken, provided it is not to persuade nor to convey favoritism, partisanship, partiality, approval or disapproval by a State agency of any issue, worthy as it may be." Id.

You will notice under our link, I have provided legislative contact information. I planned on creating a simple letter synthesizing the Advocacy Statement for community members to send in a "one click fashion"; however, this appears to cross the line on our prohibition "to persuade nor to convey favoritism, partisanship, partiality, approval or disapproval by a State agency of any issue, worthy as it may be." I think the information under our current link serves "to educate, to inform, to advocate or to promote...", but does not cross the line.

Our BoE Communications Committee met last night. We have a meeting with the PTA Presidents next week and will ask them if they are willing to contract with Voter Voice to take the next step, <https://info.voterveoice.net/>.

Thanks for all your assistance.

Chris

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Sent: Tuesday, January 10, 2017 7:38 AM

To: Manno, Christopher <cmanno4173@bcsdny.org>

Subject: White Paper Feedback

BCSDTogether met last week. We discussed the white paper. I have also talked with a number of parents. This is what I'm hearing...

The document is comprehensive and incorporates many details which might be needed for state legislators. Unfortunately many parents didn't make it past the first two pages. It feels pedantic and too detailed to most I spoke with. The community needs an easy to read, simplified version. Attached are recommendations regarding priorities and simplification for your consideration.

Implementation of advocacy also needs to be easy. A pre-written letter to legislators that community members can send with one click. Asking folks to make decisions regarding which recommendations to send is too complex. (That would require folks to fully research and understand each recommendation to make a decision.) Last year, BCSD aligned with a large advocacy effort regarding restoring the GEA. Perhaps we can use that one click solution?

BCSDTogether can help with communication. Unfortunately we do not have any financial resources. Perhaps the PTAs can provide the funding.

Best,
Gina

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Sent: Friday, February 3, 2017 8:26 AM
To: Keith Ferguson
Cc: Gina Picinich; keith@fergs.us; Rubbo, Angelo
Subject: RE: Updates to BCSD Advocacy Website
Attachments: Dr Christopher Manno2.vcf

Revisions made. Formally reached out to BTEA to request a review of the position statements and support for such. Asked if BTA gives support, if I may state as such on the site. C

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Great work! C

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BCSDTogether met yesterday to discuss how we can further extend the advocacy effort. I think your email will be a boost. After the community receives your message, we will use it as evidence that the community needs to take action.

We are:

- Sending an e-mail to our "parent leaders" who will forward to their contacts
- Sending e-mail to our personal distribution lists
- Posting on all FB mom/parent groups
- Reaching out to seniors in Mt Kisco
- Resending to BCSDTogether distribution list & FB
- Communicating with PTO presidents

Thank you for all of your efforts on this. Hoping we can get results from our legislators.

Best,
Gina

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Keith and Gina,

This is being proofed and translated. I plan to send via School Messenger today.

<https://www.smore.com/76kb5>

Once sent, you can place the link on BCSD Together.

Thanks for your partnership!

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Subject: RE: Budget Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes and final recommendations to the BoE
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So sorry...missed it. Thanks for all your great work! C

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I was paying attention last night! I did include in the letter I just share with BAC. It is the lead sentence to the second paragraph.

Will make modifications to letter on BCSDTogether later today.

Appreciate all that you do.

Best,
Gina

On Thursday, February 2, 2017 9:43 AM, "Manno, Christopher" <cmanno4173@bcsdny.org> wrote:

Gina,

Consider adding to the letter, "BCSD is the third most fiscally stressed school district in the State."

Assemblyman Buchwald stated this is the most compelling data point to enlist help. C

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Our next meeting is **Wednesday, February 1, 2017, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.** The objective of our meeting will be to review the recommendations in the report and for members to provide input. I will then incorporate that work for the Committee into the final report to the Board.

Feel free to email me prior to next Wed. with typos or other suggested revisions. As long as they don't change the "spirit" of the report per the group process, I'll just make the changes.

All BAC 2016-17 Members are invited to attend the February 8, 2017 Board of Education Work Session at which the Budget Advisory Committee and [Space and Enrollment Advisory Committee](#) will share their reports with the Board.

I wish to compliment the group on some outstanding work. The BAC has several more meetings scheduled so we can provide updates on the budget development process for 2017-18 and receive feedback. We appreciate your service, commitment, and valuable contributions.

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Subject: Re: Cuomo budget proposal includes controversial change to aid formula

Still figuring it out. On the surface, not great. Working on the details. I will be making phone calls today and tomorrow. PTA's have agreed to purchase Voter Voice and are running with it. I presented the entire advocacy site to them yesterday. Good support.

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Please excuse brevity, typos of the thumbs, and that pesky auto-correct.

On Jan 19, 2017, at 6:27 AM, Gina Picinich <nickginapic@yahoo.com> wrote:

Below is link to the proposed 2017/18 budget runs. (BCSD pg 141)
<https://www.budget.ny.gov/pubs/executive/eBudget1718/fy18localities/schoolaid/1718schoolruns.pdf>

Number from executive office looks like just under \$70,000 increase. (I don't know if this reflects the recommended changes noted in the article above.) I do know it's not enough. Need to get the district-wide advocacy going to legislators.

Best,
Gina

On Wednesday, January 18, 2017 11:10 PM, Keith Ferguson <keith.ferguson@tscmlc.com> wrote:

Dr. Manno,
Any sense what this means for BCSD?

Cuomo budget proposal includes controversial change to aid formula

By Keshia Clukey

01/18/2017 08:14 PM EDT

ALBANY — Gov. Andrew Cuomo's 2017-18 executive budget proposal includes several changes to the state's decade-old school aid formula, updating it as well as releasing him from a phase-in put in place under former governor Eliot Spitzer.

While state education groups applauded some of the changes, especially the elimination of a cap that will allow more aid to go to the state's neediest districts, they expressed concern over dropping the phase-in, accusing the governor of repealing the formula.

"He's not leveling the playing field, he's not moving the goal post," Statewide School Finance Consortium executive director Rick Timbs told POLITICO New York. "He's building a brand new field with different dimensions. It's a brand new game."

Striking the phase-in portion of the formula from the budget wipes away the formula's attempts to create a "more equitable, adequate, predictable and sustainable distribution of aid," Timbs said, questioning what the change would mean for aid in future budgets. Districts would be owed \$4.3 billion if the formula were fully run, according to state Education Department numbers.

Morris Peters, a budget division spokesman, said the proposed changes are a positive step, adding that education aid under Cuomo has increased \$6.1 billion over the last six years.

"The proposed changes to the Foundation Aid formula will lower the levels of poverty and update census data, both progressive measures that will direct more funding to high-needs districts," he said in an emailed statement to POLITICO New York. "Any suggestion that the Foundation Aid formula has or will be eliminated is a direct attempt to mislead the public and factually untrue."

Cuomo's proposed budget, released late Tuesday night, calls for an approximately \$1 billion increase in school aid — \$428 million of which is in Foundation Aid. The Foundation Aid formula was put in place after the state's highest court ruled in 2006 in the Campaign for Fiscal Equity case that New York was under-funding schools and not meeting its constitutional burden to provide children with a "sound basic education." That case focused on New York City schools, but the state later put the formula in place for all districts to provide more equitable funding.

The formula, however, was never fully phased as the state grappled with the recession. The last of recession-era cuts, which were put in place fill the revenue shortfall, were restored in the 2016-17 budget.

State education leaders, groups and advocates called for the state to focus on updating and fully implementing Foundation Aid.

The roughly 70-page formula aimed to create not only equity but also stability, giving districts a better idea of the state aid they would get year to year. It takes into consideration a number of factors but is based on four main points — the cost of a successful education, student need, regional cost differences and local district fiscal capacity.

Cuomo's proposal includes changes to update the formula, several of which the state Education Department, Board of Regents and education groups had called for in their budget recommendations.

The executive budget would eliminate a minimum on the income wealth index, which would allow the state's poorest school districts to receive additional funding not currently allotted under the formula. The proposal would replace 2000 Census data with annual Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates data, which are created from federal tax returns and the American Community Survey, and are more reflective of current conditions.

The governor's office also is looking to have the Education Department collect "direct certification" data, as it aims to phase out the free and reduced-price lunch calculation (FRPL), which is another factor used in determining poverty and need in a district that is no longer a reliable method due to changes in reporting, according to a Cuomo administration official. Direct Certification automatically includes students eligible for free lunch based on participation in other programs, such as SNAP and Medicaid.

The change that education groups have criticized removes the phase-in, and in its stead, districts would receive the Foundation Aid they received the year before as well as an amount to be allocated by a new formula every year. Under the proposal schools would not get less than they did the year prior.

"It's less predictable and less transparent and those are some of the things that we saw as the real pluses of the original Foundation Aid formula," said Bob Lowry, New York State Council of School Superintendents deputy director.

The proposal is basically starting from scratch, eliminating the need to phase-in the \$4.3 billion, said New York State Association of School Business Officials executive director Michael Borges.

"It's a Jekyll and Hyde approach to funding public education if he's making improvements to how Foundation Aid is calculated, but at the same time undermining the basis of Foundation Aid," Borges said of Cuomo's proposal.

The administration has disputed the total aid owed, pointing to how much aid Cuomo continues to put in education. The 2016-17 state budget allocated approximately \$24.6 billion for education.

New York State is one of the highest spenders on public education in the country, although it also has one of the highest spending disparities. Cuomo has said he's proud of the state's school spending, while advocates have stressed the importance of equitable distribution.

An administration official told POLITICO New York that Spitzer's phase-in was an aspirational number, adding that budgets are done in one-year increments.

Timbs argued that schools that are currently under-funded will remain that way without the more equitable base formula. "What they're doing is they eliminated that whole calculation and created a new calculation. Any attempt to go back to find out how to compare to the old formula is being eliminated in the data set," he said.

The proposal leaves many questions, Lowry said, adding that education groups will be waiting for answers such as how the money would be distributed, and whether that process will be transparent.

"We'll have to see as more information becomes available," he said. "I think the governor's showing commitment to try to help poorer districts ... [but] it's disappointing in part... It wasn't perfect in the 2007 formula, but it was promising for a variety of reasons... We want schools to have more financially sustainable future."

The Senate and Assembly still have to propose their own budgets, due out next month. A final agreement is due March 31.

To view online:

<http://www.politico.com/states/new-york/albany/story/2017/01/cuomo-budget-proposal-includes-controversial-change-to-aid-formula-108868>

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Our next meeting is February 1st, and our goal is a 100% response rate.

Thanks.

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Good Morning Gina and Keith,

I can easily create a sample letter from the materials we have. We also have the legislator contact list right on the advocacy section of our website. We have been advised by our counsel that we can't take that "linking" step to provide a tool such as Voter Voice for residents to push out the letters. That would be an impermissible use of public funds. We've gone just about as far as we can.

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The source is on the front page of my presentation. The URL.

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Received acknowledgement that BTA is reviewing the position statements. Will let you know. Chris

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You will notice under our link, I have provided legislative contact information. I planned on creating a simple letter synthesizing the Advocacy Statement for community members to send in a "one click fashion"; however, this appears to cross the line on our prohibition "to persuade nor to convey favoritism, partisanship, partiality, approval or disapproval by a State agency of any issue, worthy as it may be." I think the information under our current link serves "to educate, to inform, to advocate or to promote...", but does not cross the line.

Our BoE Communications Committee met last night. We have a meeting with the PTA Presidents next week and will ask them if they are willing to contract with Voter Voice to take the next step, <https://info.voterveice.net/>.

Thanks for all your assistance.

Chris

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From: Gina Picinich [mailto:nickginapic@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, January 10, 2017 7:38 AM

To: Manno, Christopher <cmanno4173@bcasdny.org>

Subject: White Paper Feedback

BCSDTogether met last week. We discussed the white paper. I have also talked with a number of parents. This is what I'm hearing...

The document is comprehensive and incorporates many details which might be needed for state legislators. Unfortunately many parents didn't make it past the first two pages. It feels pedantic and too detailed to most I spoke with. The community needs an easy to read, simplified version. Attached are recommendations regarding priorities and simplification for your consideration.

Implementation of advocacy also needs to be easy. A pre-written letter to legislators that community members can send with one click. Asking folks to make decisions regarding which recommendations to send is too complex. (That would require folks to fully research and understand each recommendation to make a decision.) Last year, BCSD aligned with a large advocacy effort regarding restoring the GEA. Perhaps we can use that one click solution?

BCSDTogether can help with communication. Unfortunately we do not have any financial resources. Perhaps the PTAs can provide the funding.

Best,
Gina

LaColla, Carole

From: Manno, Christopher <cmanno4173@bcsdny.org>
Sent: Wednesday, February 8, 2017 1:48 PM
To: KT; Gina Picinich
Cc: h; arnow@optonline.net; mariannedelaney@gmail.com; saldicarlo@aol.com; keith@fergs.us; jmalichio@McMahonmed.com; robmarano@gmail.com; vtmorrow@att.net; n052378@verizon.net; draftnfl@verizon.net; davidquinn_1@yahoo.com; colinredhead@hotmail.com; ssquadron@gmail.com; dzarras@gmail.com; Polos, Susan; dbarrett03@gmail.com; laurel_rossi@yahoo.com; stevesamaha@aol.com; jtj10506@gmail.com; calli.s.hayes@db.com; tmohr@bdo.com; marie.scanlan@hotmail.com; rdsalley@hotmail.com; lisschneider175@gmail.com; mikebauscher@hotmail.com; luther.l.terry@gmail.com; amalashady@gmail.com; djnajr@aol.com; toniannfraioli@aol.com; asdavis@optonline.net; robmazurekny@gmail.com; Groarke, Michael; bsacks@csa99.com; Rubbo, Angelo; Dow, Colette; Bracco, Andrew; LaColla, Carole
Subject: RE: Budget Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes and final recommendations to the BoE
Attachments: Dr Christopher Manno.vcf

Hi folks,

I do not think “*effective long-term financial forecast/planning*” is a concept anyone would oppose. If there is no opposition, I can add this idea to the report and update online.

Copies are already made for this evening, so it will not appear in the hard copy; however, it can be noted that this addition was made.

Best Regards,

Chris

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Sent: Wednesday, February 8, 2017 1:20 PM

To: Gina Picinich <nickginapic@yahoo.com>

Cc: h <100abc200@gmail.com>; Manno, Christopher <cmanno4173@bcsdny.org>; arnow@optonline.net; mariannedelaney@gmail.com; saldicarlo@aol.com; keith@fergs.us; jmalichio@McMahonmed.com; robmarano@gmail.com; vtmorrow@att.net; n052378@verizon.net; draftnfl@verizon.net; davidquinn_1@yahoo.com; colinredhead@hotmail.com; ssquadron@gmail.com; dzarras@gmail.com; Polos, Susan <spolos0882@bcsdny.org>; dbarrett03@gmail.com; laurel_rossi@yahoo.com; stevesamaha@aol.com; jtg10506@gmail.com; calli.s.hayes@db.com; tmohr@bdo.com; marie.scanlan@hotmail.com; rdsalley@hotmail.com; lisaschneider175@gmail.com; mikebauscher@hotmail.com; luther.l.terry@gmail.com; amalashady@gmail.com; djnahr@aol.com; toniannfraioli@aol.com; asdavis@optonline.net; robmazurekny@gmail.com; Groarke, Michael <mgroarke0463@bcsdny.org>; bsacks@csa99.com; Rubbo, Angelo <arubbo4262@bcsdny.org>; Dow, Colette <Colette.Dow@bcsdny.org>; Bracco, Andrew <andrew.bracco@bcsdny.org>; LaColla, Carole <clacolla0598@bcsdny.org>

Subject: Re: Budget Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes and final recommendations to the BoE

Agreed

On Feb 8, 2017, at 1:13 PM, Gina Picinich <nickginapic@yahoo.com> wrote:

Feedback re: Howland's message.

I do not think the BAC effectively identified, as a guiding principle, the need for effective long-term financial forecast/planning. If it is not in the document, I am of the opinion that this concept should be incorporated.

Best,
Gina Picinich

On Tuesday, February 7, 2017 12:25 PM, h <100abc200@gmail.com> wrote:

Hello Dr. Manno:

Regarding the draft report from BAC to BOE. Since I have been unable to participate this year to date and have not been able to study or vote on all of the proposals, please remove my name from the report.

FYI, some comments on page 4 were confusing (some readers of the report will not be familiar with committee procedures). If, as the report says, the committee did not vote,

how was consensus majority or minority "prepared" [sic]? Was there not some de facto vote or some expression of agreement or disagreement? Perhaps I missed the report's explanation or footnote on the difference between consensus and majority and of BAC's procedure for ascertaining majority/minority/consensus.

Decision-making by an undefined "consensus" is not authorized in BCSD policy or applicable law. If there was a unanimous majority vote, would that differ from a consensus? "Consensus" is a confusing since sometimes in meetings people who don't agree just remain silent. Silence isn't always consent. Legal decision-making in BCSD is by majority vote of the applicable group or body, e.g. BOE for budget in the winter and the voters for the budget in May.

p. 4 of the report says the BOE wants input and recommendations on Multi-year budgetary planning. Page 9 of the report says "long term planning what is happening to date." In view of those statements, not sure how the report omitted the enclosed proposal, now pending for over 3 1/2 years and signed by 16 members of the 2013 BAC, even if the current BOE says it is working on it. This proposal was presented to the BOE on June 5, 2013, and there has been no definitive BOE response or posting for public comment. For new BAC members this year, the proposed amendment requires the BOE to provide regular budget projections.

Empire Center, Paul Volker and Richard Ravitch agree that projections are essential, yet the prior Bedford BOE ignored the enclosed proposed amendment for 3+ years without public explanation. It's wonderful news that the current BOE will provide a projection this year, but the district doesn't just need them this year. Voters need a policy requirement for projections to protect them from future BOEs that might withhold them.

Empire Center Report - January 2013 - TAKING A LONGER VIEW ON OUR BUDGETS
<http://www.empirecenter.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/09/web.empire-ideas.1.multyr.pdf>

[School districts need] "a long-term financial plan including projections of both revenues and expenditures – for all public funds, capital and operating...the plan must result in strategies to achieve and maintain financial sustainability...identify how the government will provide a consistent level of services and address issues of major concern to the community within financial constraints."

Richard Ravitch (Former NYS Lieutenant Governor) and Paul Volcker (Former Federal Reserve Chairman) State Budget Crisis Task Force Report (New York) - July 2012
<http://www.statebudgetcrisis.org/wpcms/>

"Multiyear planning and budgeting approaches should be a normal part of fiscal planning...Cash Budgeting Focused on the Short Term Enables and Encourages Structural Deficits...recurring revenues have been insufficient to sustain ongoing spending. This defines a *structural imbalance*. Not only are revenues inadequate to sustain spending at a given point in time, but revenues typically increase more slowly than spending, creating a diverging path into the future. The combination of high spending and a volatile revenue structure has not been addressed, so the imbalance gets worse....The Task Force report provided the current state of best practices in budgeting, and noted four major shortcomings... cash-based budgeting; lack of meaningful multiyear financial plans; inadequate reporting of future liabilities; and lack of transparent budgeting...lack of financial transparency makes it more difficult for the public to understand the critical nature of problems..."

Thanks for your time and attention.

Howland Robinson, BAC member
Cell 212-808-0033

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Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 8:55 AM
To: arnow@optonline.net; mariannedelaney@gmail.com; saldicarlo@aol.com; keith@fergs.us; jmalichio@McMahonmed.com; robmarano@gmail.com; vtmorrow@att.net; n052378@verizon.net; draftnfl@verizon.net; nickginapic@yahoo.com; davidquinn_1@yahoo.com; colinredhead@hotmail.com; 100abc200@gmail.com; ssquadron@gmail.com; ktuckerny@aol.com; dzarras@gmail.com; Polos, Susan <spolos0882@bcSDny.org>; d Barrett03@gmail.com; laurel_rossi@yahoo.com; stevesamaha@aol.com; jtg10506@gmail.com; calli.s.hayes@db.com; tmohr@bdo.com; marie.scanlan@hotmail.com; rdsalley@hotmail.com; lisaschneider175@gmail.com; mikebauscher@hotmail.com; luther.l.terry@gmail.com; amalashady@gmail.com; djnajr@aol.com; toniannfraioli@aol.com; asdavis@optonline.net; robmazurekny@gmail.com; Groarke, Michael <mgroarke0463@bcSDny.org>; bsacks@csa99.com
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Subject: Budget Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes and final recommendations to the BoE

Dear Budget Advisory Committee:

Please see the following links to:

- [DRAFT Final Report to the BoE](#) based upon our meeting last night
- [Agenda](#) from last night's meeting

Please send me any feedback you might have on the report. I will work such feedback in, to the extent that it is representative of a consensus, majority, or minority position. Also feel free to send me corrections, e.g. typos, etc.

As a reminder, the entire BAC is invited to the February 8th BoE Meeting when the report shall be presented to the Board of Education. The meeting starts at 7 p.m. and the Space and Enrollment Advisory Committee report shall be presented first.

Thanks for your hard work and commitment.

Best Regards,

Chris Manno

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LaColla, Carole

From: Manno, Christopher <cmanno4173@bcsdny.org>
Sent: Wednesday, February 8, 2017 2:05 PM
To: keith@fergs.us; Gina Picinich
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From: Manno, Christopher <cmanno4173@bcsdny.org>
Sent: Thursday, February 9, 2017 12:21 PM
To: Gina Picinich; Keith Ferguson
Subject: RE: BTA is in
Attachments: Dr Christopher Manno.vcf

I appreciate the great work you are doing. The report went very well last night. I added a "forecasting" statement to the report that I think captures the essence of the idea.

Best and Thanks Again!

Chris

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Sent: Wednesday, February 8, 2017 2:47 PM
To: Keith Ferguson <keith@fergs.us>; Manno, Christopher <cmanno4173@bcsdny.org>
Subject: Re: BTA is in

We've had great reach on Facebook. We boosted the post and have more than 2000 views. Can't tell how many sent letters, but can say with confidence we've built awareness.

FYI, I received this from Michael G

"We can place your letter into an online format that makes it very easy for people to send the letter to all three recipients with just a few clicks. I'm in touch with one of our organizers who may have other suggestions for amplifying our efforts."

Will hopefully get a chance to chat with him before the week is done.

Different subject, Dr Manno apologies for just getting that BAC "forecasting" statement to you. Just had a chance to review Howland's message and it jogged my memory.

I've been home ill so I won't be able to attend tonight's meeting. Sorry I won't be there to support. I'll be watching at home.

Best,
Gina

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To: Keith Ferguson
Cc: Gina Picinich
Subject: RE: BTA is in
Attachments: Dr Christopher Manno.vcf

Gung Ho! So fortunate for your partnership!

Chris

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From: Manno, Christopher <cmanno4173@bcsdny.org>
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2017 7:14 AM
To: 'Keith Ferguson'; Gina Picinich; Amy Ferguson; Groarke, Michael
Subject: RE: Follow up from Town Hall Meeting

Thank you for sharing Keith. Chris

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Sent: Friday, February 17, 2017 7:03 AM
To: Manno, Christopher <cmanno4173@bcsdny.org>; Gina Picinich <nickginapic@yahoo.com>; Amy Ferguson <amy@fergs.us>; Groarke, Michael <mgroarke0463@bcsdny.org>
Subject: Fwd: Follow up from Town Hall Meeting

FYI...this is what I just sent Senator Murphy. We have to keep the pressure on.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Keith Ferguson <keith@fergs.us>
Date: February 17, 2017 at 7:01:40 AM EST
To: murphy@nysenate.gov
Subject: Follow up from Town Hall Meeting

Senator Murphy,
I appreciate the time chatting with you in the hallway after I presented.

BCSD is under immense pressure because of the policies put in place by Albany. To cite some specifics, in the last decade, staff counts are down 20%, average class sizes are up 20%, there are ZERO elementary school librarians, and BCSD is one of the most fiscally stressed districts in the entire state.

It needs to be fixed. Now.

I understand you are one person in the Senate. But the Senate is controlled by the Republicans and because of that you (out of our representatives) are the one who has the most influence. Like it or not, voters are going to hold you accountable.

You need to make clear to Flanagan that people are angry and if he wants to retain his Senate lead role, he needs your district. Moreover, if Latimer runs for County Executive as news reports have suggested, there is a great opportunity for someone like Julie Killian to pick up his seat.

I can assure you, however, that no help for BCSD now when your party has Senate control will be a BIG problem for your party at the next election. You have to make clear to Flanagan that this is really a simple choice for him. You know we are organized, voters are angry, and I can assure you that we will make this a significant issue at the next election.

Please don't let us down. We need actual results. Now.

Sincerely,

Keith Ferguson
Mount Kisco

Sent from my iPhone

LaColla, Carole

From: Manno, Christopher <cmanno4173@bcSDny.org>
Sent: Monday, February 27, 2017 6:57 AM
To: 'Keith Ferguson'; Gina Picinich
Cc: Rubbo, Angelo
Subject: FW: Call To Action: State Aid for Enrollment Growth and ELL

See below. Chris

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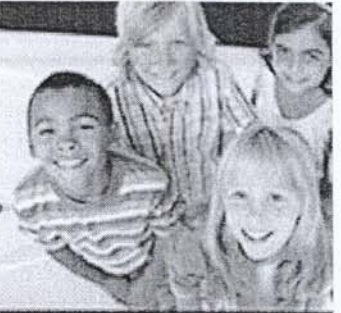
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From: Julie M. Marlette, NYSSBA [mailto:NYSSBAAdvocacyAlert@nyssba.org]
Sent: Thursday, February 23, 2017 12:18 PM
To: Manno, Christopher <cmanno4173@bcSDny.org>
Subject: Call To Action: State Aid for Enrollment Growth and ELL



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February 23, 2017

Legislation Introduced to Provide Aid for Enrollment Growth and ELL Students

Legislation has been introduced in the Assembly that would provide targeted state aid for districts with recent growth in student enrollment, as well as for districts experiencing increases in their numbers of English language learner (ELL) students. This funding is a NYSSBA budget priority for 2017-18. NYSSBA highlighted the need for this change in our budget testimony delivered to the legislature earlier this month. These funds are important to help support the hundreds of school districts that have seen their student enrollment grow in recent years and the numerous districts that educate the state's growing ELL population, which now totals more than 215,000 students. The state's underfunding of Foundation Aid has prevented an adequate amount of funding from flowing to these districts.

Please urge your state legislators to support the bill A.5717 (Brindisi) by clicking the box below.

Take Action Now

NYSSBA's memorandum of support and budget testimony can be accessed through the links below.

- [NYSSBA Memo In Support of Aid for Enrollment Growth and ELL Students](#)
- [NYSSBA Budget Testimony](#)

Executive Budget 30 Day Amendments Released

The 30 day amendments to the Executive Budget were released last week. The majority of these amendments were technical in nature, two made changes to Executive's proposals related to education.

The first change addressed school districts with a community schools set aside of \$1 million or more. Those districts would be further required to use a portion of this set aside to expand the community schools model to additional high need schools within their district. This proposal provides no new or additional funding; it merely puts more restrictions on how certain districts may use their Foundation Aid.

The amendments also expanded the proposed eligibility for the Empire State After-School Program grants. The original proposal would have limited eligibility for this funding to the state's 16 Empire State Poverty Reduction Initiative (ESPRI) communities. The proposal now expands this eligibility to localities with child poverty rates in excess of 30%, based on poverty estimates provided by the US census bureau. NYSSBA had recommended more districts be eligible to apply for this funding, and we are supportive of this change.

Senate Conferences Continue to Transition

In order to hold the majority in the New York State Senate, 32 seats are required. The Senate Republicans have maintained their majority in 2017, with 31 members of the Republican Conference and with Senator Simcha Felder, who ran on the Democratic and Republican lines, and who caucuses with the Republicans.

Changes have been underway in the two Democratic Conferences. The mainline Democrats started the session with 24 members, and the Independent Democratic Conference with 7. However Senator Jose Peralta left the mainline Senate

Democrats and joined the Independent Democratic Conference (IDC), bringing the IDC to 8 members. More recently, Democratic Senator Bill Perkins was elected to the New York City Council, and immediately resigned his Senate seat bringing the number of mainline Democrats to 22. A date for a special election to fill the now vacant seat has not been announced.

New York State Education Department is Recruiting

The New York State Education Department has asked NYSSBA, to let our members know that they are recruiting professionals who have a passion for education to fill critical and challenging positions. The links below describe duties, minimum qualifications, conditions of employment, and application instructions:

- [Assistant Commissioner of Assessment](#)
- [Assistant in Bilingual Education](#)
- [Associate in Bilingual Education](#)
- [Supervisor of Bilingual Education](#)
- [Assistant Mechanical Construction Engineers](#)

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From: Manno, Christopher <cmanno4173@bcsdny.org>
Sent: Monday, February 27, 2017 5:45 PM
To: Gina Picinich; 'Keith Ferguson'; Groarke, Michael; Bob Beck - BHES; Chris Purcell FLHSA; Damasol Becerra BHES; Emily Konrad; Erica Beck MKESA; Erin Regan PRES PTA; Gina D'Introno - BHESA; Jen Kothari BV; Jennifer Gagliardi FLMSA; Karen Close - SEPTO; Krishna Dhru - SEPTO; Kristen Ketterer - BVESA (kristket@aol.com); Kristina Nye Weise FLHSA; Laurel Rossi - SEPTO; Lauren Schwarzfeld MKESA; Lisa Beck - BHES; Lori Wolk Sipkin - SEPTO; Lowell Moustakas WPESA (l_moustakas@yahoo.com); Maneyapanda, Jessica; Rebecca Rivard - BHESA; Yalda Bahari - FLMS
Subject: FW: follow-up

All,

See the below policy-makers Senator Latimer suggests we also include on our correspondence list. Thanks for all your efforts.

Best Regards,

Chris Manno

Dr. Christopher M. Manno
Superintendent of Schools
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From: George Latimer [mailto:latimergeorge@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, February 27, 2017 4:30 PM

To: Manno, Christopher <cmanno4173@bcSDny.org>

Subject: Re: follow-up

Chris,

I would include the following e-mails to fully reach legislative leaders:

George

Senator John Flanagan, Senate Majority Leader

Flanagan@NYSenate.gov

Senator Jeff Klein, Senate IDC Leader

JDKlein@NYSenate.gov

Senator Andrea Stewart-Cousins, Senate Democratic Leader

SCousins@NYSenate.gov

Senator Carl Marcellino, Chairman, Senate Education Committee

Marcelli@NYSenate.gov

Senator George Latimer, Ranking Member, Senate Education Committee

Latimer@NYSenate.gov

Speaker Carl Heastie, NYS Assembly

Speaker@NYAssembly.gov

Assemblywoman Cathy Nolan, Chairwoman, Assembly Education Committee

NolanC@NYAssembly.gov

Assemblyman David Buchwald

BuchwaldD@NYAssembly.gov

On Mon, Feb 27, 2017 at 1:17 PM, Manno, Christopher <cmanno4173@bcSDny.org> wrote:

Dear Senator,

Just following up regarding your suggestion of the email list to which we should send letters to Albany. Any contacts would be appreciated. Thanks again for providing the forum for our residents. We appreciate your hard work on our behalf.

Best Regards,

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From: Manno, Christopher <cmanno4173@bcsdny.org>
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2017 1:31 PM
To: 'Gina Picinich'; Keith Ferguson
Cc: Rubbo, Angelo
Subject: RE: Call To Action: State Aid for Enrollment Growth and ELL

Sounds great...thanks for all your hard work! Chris

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From: Gina Picinich [mailto:nickginapic@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, February 27, 2017 10:24 AM
To: Keith Ferguson <keith@fergs.us>; Manno, Christopher <cmanno4173@bcsdny.org>
Cc: Rubbo, Angelo <arubbo4262@bcsdny.org>
Subject: Re: Call To Action: State Aid for Enrollment Growth and ELL

Attached is a link to the actual bill. I think one needs to be an CPA or actuary to just have a basic understanding.

If we believe the BCSD will be positively impacted by this, we can do a big push this week to support it.

Additionally, Amy Ferguson received information that the Westchester Putnam School Boards Assoc was putting together a Voter Voice form to support the legislation regarding NYS paying taxes for land with state prisons.

We can wrap these 2 together in the same communication.

Please advise.

Gina

NY State Assembly Bill A5717



NY State Assembly Bill A5717

Relates to aid for substantial enrollment growth and growth in enrollment of English language learner students.

On Monday, February 27, 2017 9:52 AM, Keith Ferguson <keith@fergs.us> wrote:

Thanks for forwarding.

Any sense what his bill actually entails for BCSD?

Keith

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 27, 2017, at 6:56 AM, Manno, Christopher <cmanno4173@bcsdny.org> wrote:

See below. Chris

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From: Julie M. Marlette, NYSSBA [mailto:NYSSBAAdvocacyAlert@nyssba.org]
Sent: Thursday, February 23, 2017 12:18 PM
To: Manno, Christopher <cmanno4173@bcisdny.org>
Subject: Call To Action: State Aid for Enrollment Growth and ELL



February 23, 2017

Legislation Introduced to Provide Aid for Enrollment Growth and ELL Students

Legislation has been introduced in the Assembly that would provide targeted state aid for districts with recent growth in student enrollment, as well as for districts experiencing increases in their numbers of English language learner (ELL) students. This funding is a NYSSBA budget priority for 2017-18. NYSSBA highlighted the need for this change in our budget testimony delivered to the legislature earlier this month. These funds are important to help support the hundreds of school districts that have seen their student enrollment grow in recent years and the numerous districts that educate the state's growing ELL population, which now totals more than 215,000 students. The state's underfunding of Foundation Aid has prevented an adequate amount of funding from flowing to these districts. Please urge your state legislators to support the bill A.5717 (Brindisi) by clicking the box below.

Take Action Now

NYSSBA's memorandum of support and budget testimony can be accessed through the links below.

- [NYSSBA Memo In Support of Aid for Enrollment Growth and ELL Students](#)
- [NYSSBA Budget Testimony](#)

Executive Budget 30 Day Amendments Released

The 30 day amendments to the Executive Budget were released last week. The majority of these amendments were technical in nature, two made changes to Executive's proposals related to education.

The first change addressed school districts with a community schools set aside of \$1 million or more. Those districts would be further required to use a portion of this set aside to expand the community schools model to additional high need schools within their district. This proposal provides no new or additional funding; it merely puts more restrictions on how certain districts may use their Foundation Aid. The amendments also expanded the proposed eligibility for the Empire State After-School Program grants. The original proposal would have limited eligibility for this funding to the state's 16 Empire State Poverty Reduction Initiative (ESPRI) communities. The proposal now expands this eligibility to localities with child poverty rates in excess of 30%, based on poverty estimates provided by the US census bureau. NYSSBA had recommended more districts be eligible to apply for this funding, and we are supportive of this change.

Senate Conferences Continue to Transition

In order to hold the majority in the New York State Senate, 32 seats are required. The Senate Republicans have maintained their majority in 2017, with 31 members of the Republican Conference and with Senator Simcha Felder, who ran on the Democratic and Republican lines, and who caucuses with the Republicans.

Changes have been underway in the two Democratic Conferences. The mainline Democrats started the session with 24 members, and the Independent Democratic Conference with 7. However Senator Jose Peralta left the mainline Senate Democrats and joined the Independent Democratic Conference (IDC), bringing the IDC to 8 members. More recently, Democratic Senator Bill Perkins was elected to the New York City Council, and immediately resigned his Senate seat bringing the number of mainline Democrats to 22. A date for a special election to fill the now vacant seat has not been announced.