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SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

9:30-11:00a | November 29, 2017

BPS Bolling Building Room 6-55

Presented are minutes from the Boston Compact Transportation Committee meeting held on November 29, 2017. For more information about any of the items listed below, visit www.BostonCompact.org or email info@BostonCompact.org.

ATTENDANCE

Members Present: **Charles Grandson** (Deputy Chief Operations Officer, BPS), **Shannah Varón** (Executive Director, Boston Collegiate Charter School and Chair, Boston Charter Alliance), **Aliece Dutson** (Principal, Mission Grammar), **Mark Loring** (Director of Network Operations, Brooke Charter Schools), **Turah Dorsey** (Chief of Education, City of Boston), **Ellen McDonough** (Manager of Intergovernmental Relations, BPS), **Shanda Roberts** (Transportation Officer, BPS), **Peter Crossan** (Fleet and Compliance Manager, BPS), **Delavern Stanislaus** (Transportation Customer Service Manager, BPS), **Max Wright** (Fellow, Boston Charter Alliance)

Members Absent: **Will Eger** (Strategic Projects Manager – Finance, BPS), **Erica Brown** (Chief of Policy & Practice, Massachusetts Charter Public School Association), **Kevin Taylor** (Chief Operations Officer, KIPP MA), **Morgan McDaniel** (Office of Budget Management, City of Boston), **John Hanlon** (Chief Operations Officer, BPS)

Others Present: **Rachel Weinstein** (Compact staff), **Elise Swinford** (Compact staff)

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS

Committee members approved the meeting summaries from October 6 and October 25 with minor revision.

AGENDA ITEMS

Mark Loring updated the committee on plans to improve data sharing among sectors. Assigning common student IDs to all students could allow DESE to identify duplicate enrollments in schools. The group is looking into whether/how students could be assigned SASIDs with their applications (BCA uses the School Mint platform).

Shannah Varón updated the committee on the potential for charters to pilot their own transportation. The committee reviewed draft goals. Peter Crossan gave a brief overview of some challenges of school transportation in Boston.

Aliece Dutson updated the committee on her work with Will Eger regarding surveying Catholic schools to determine transportation needs and to design a potential routing pilot.

Four charter schools previously requested a change in start/ end times for the coming school year, and charter representatives asked for an update on this request.

Peter Crossan addressed common concerns including bus radio function and communication. He provided an overview of the radio training drivers receive as well as the daily vehicle inspection check-list and sample reports. Peter assured the committee that the district is already addressing shared concerns about transportation.



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ACTION ITEMS

- Subgroups leading work streams will update as part of standing agendas of Transportation Committee meetings.
- Max Wright will consult directly with Peter Crossan as BCA explores the potential for a limited-scope transportation pilot.
- Kevin Taylor can send Peter Crossan details of specific bus incidents.
- The Committee will spend more time on an emerging charter school pilot in December.