

Monthly Report of the President of the Milwaukee Board of School Directors February 2017

In an effort to support the goals identified by MPS as essential to the accomplishment of the MPS Vision and Mission, the President's activities during the month of February 2017 included the following:

Academic Achievement

- Attended the partnership meeting at Groppi High School
- Attended the presentation of \$25,000 State Farm Neighborhood Assist grant Milwaukee Marshall
- Attended the announcement of the return of the Midnight Basketball League at Bradley Tech
- Attended the Very Own Library book distribution at Lancaster Elementary
- Visited Maple Tree Elementary School
- Attended the Madison Academic Campus Ethnic Studies Final at City Hall
- Attended MPS's 1st Annual Business Symposium at Manpower
- Attend the Black History Month program at Gwen T. Jackson School
- Participated in Bring Someone You Love to School Day at Howard Avenue
- Attended the Annual Daddy/Daughter Dance at North Division High School
- Celebrated Black History Month at James Madison Academic Campus

Community Engagement

- Discussed improved continuity of services and expanded opportunities for Milwaukee's children and families with state and local leaders, including:
 - o Wisconsin Lt. Governor Rebecca Kleefisch
 - o State Senator LaTonya Johnson
 - o State Senator Alberta Darling
 - o Gerard Randall, Executive Director of the Milwaukee Education Partnership (MEP)
 - o Common Council President Ashanti Hamilton
 - o Milwaukee Alderman Cavalier Johnson
 - o State Representative David Bowen
 - o John Schlifske, CEO of Northwestern Mutual Life and Co-chair of Milwaukee Succeeds
 - o Mary Hoene, Executive Director of the Grandville Business Improvement District (BID)
 - o Captain Raymond Banks, Commander-in-Charge of the Milwaukee Police Department's Office of Community Outreach and Education (OCOE)
 - o Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker
 - o Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett
 - o Julia Taylor, President of the Greater Milwaukee Committee
 - o Tim Sheehy, President of the Metropolitan Milwaukee Association of Commerce
 - o Vincent Lyles, President and CEO of Boys & Girls Club of Greater Milwaukee
 - o Lauren Baker, Executive Director of the MTEA

- Attended the legislative agenda information and input session regarding Office of African-American Affairs
- Met with Danae Davis, Executive Director of Milwaukee Succeeds
- Attended Cardinal Stritch's College of Education's Advisory Council meeting
- Attended Governor Scott Walker's budget address
- Attended a meeting of the Public Policy Forum

Effective and Efficient Operations

- Met with district leaders to receive updates on district initiatives:
 - o Dr. Darienne Driver, Superintendent of Schools
 - o Dr. Jacqueline Mann, Board Clerk/Director, Office of Board Governance
 - o Larry Miller, Vice-President, Milwaukee Board of School Directors
 - o Dr. Keith Posley, Chief School Administration Officer
 - o Wendell Willis, Chief Operations officer
 - o Representatives from the Panasonic Foundation