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To: <u>Jones, Eugene</u>; <u>Mike Bartels</u>

Cc: Mann, Jacqueline M; Willis, Wendell; Solik Fifarek, David; Thiel, Christopher J

Subject: filing a concern and requesting to appear on the Board agenda

**Date:** Monday, October 17, 2016 3:05:30 PM

Attachments: MPS Transportation Letter September 9 2016.pdf

## Dear Dr. Jones:

Some weeks ago, we contacted the office of board governance about a matter having to do with transportation reimbursement from MPS to private choice schools. You were kind enough to review board governance procedures with us.

In the weeks since then, our matter has been forwarded to Mr. Wendell Willis by the MPS head of transportation, Mr. Solik-Fifarek. To date, no response has reached us on the substantive concern that we raise, which is that the current MPS procedure for transportation reimbursement is not the correct statutory procedure to use for Messmer/St. Rose. A meeting was mentioned, but no meeting has been scheduled for any further review of this matter. Since March when we began discussing this issue, we have repeatedly waited weeks or months for a response, but we are now coming up against the November transportation reimbursement deadline, and this matter is vital to us.

I am writing to file an official concern, and will again attach our letter outlining our concern. I understand this puts in motion a five day response time, and we will look forward to that.

I am also requesting a hearing at the School Board meeting of October 27th. If the matter should be resolved before then, we will be happy to withdraw the request. Please let us know if there are any further steps we should take in order to appear.

Very truly yours,

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