



THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA

BOARD OF EDUCATION

ACTION MEETING

SPEAKERS LIST

FEBRUARY 27, 2025

Registered Speaker

1. Kurt Ostrow, District Staff Member
Topic: Immigrant Students
2. Adrienne Patterson, Parent/Guardian
Topic: Good Quality Schools
3. Laura Petty, Community Member
Topic: Protecting Immigrant Students and Families
4. Regina Valentino, District Staff Member
Topic: School Nurse Termination
5. Sanjana Bandi, Community Member
Topic: School Librarians
6. Natasha Labbe, Community Member
Topic: Action Item 27: Application for New Charter School: Early College Charter School of Philadelphia
7. Sydia Bagley, Parent/Guardian
Topic: Great Neighborhood Schools
8. Keziah Ridgeway, Parent/Guardian
Topic: Censoring Students
9. Keshema Davidson, Community Member
Topic: Action Item 27: Application for New Charter School: Early College Charter School of Philadelphia
10. Kristina Moon, Parent/Guardian
Topic: Welcoming Schools & Supports for Immigrant Students
11. Katherine Riley, District Staff Member
Topic: Student Protections
12. Mercedes Mason de Gómez, Charter School Staff Member
Topic: Action Item 28: Application for New Charter School: Pan American Academy Charter School – Pathways High School
13. Deborah Grill, Community Member
Topic: New Charter School Applications
14. Hannah Myers, District Staff Member
Topic: Sanctuary Schools, Funding for Newcomer Programs and more BCAs
15. Rebecca Benarroch, Community Member
Topic: Action Item 27: Application for New Charter School: Early College Charter School of Philadelphia
16. Joanna Gallagher, District Staff Member
Topic: Needs of Immigrant Students with New ELA curriculum



17. Lianna Meskun, Community Member
Topic: The New Charter School Proposal
18. Darrell Wyatt, Parent/Guardian
Topic: Prep Elementary
19. Will Irons, Community Member
Topic: Action Item 27: Application for New Charter School: Early College Charter School of Philadelphia
20. Nikki Hampton, Parent/Guardian
Topic: Great Neighborhood Schools
21. Cybil Yakira, District Staff Member
Topic: Sanctuary Schools
22. Guadalupe Mendez, Community Member
Topic: Welcoming Sanctuary Schools
23. David Rossi, Community Member
Topic: Action Item 27: Application for New Charter School: Early College Charter School of Philadelphia
24. Kristi Littell, Community Member
Topic: Action Item 27: Application for New Charter School: Early College Charter School of Philadelphia
25. Molly Schmader, Community Member
Topic: Action Item 27: Application for New Charter School: Early College Charter School of Philadelphia
26. Rod Henkels, Community Member
Topic: Action Item 27: Application for New Charter School: Early College Charter School of Philadelphia
27. Samirah Rahman, Community Member
Topic: School Library Funding
28. Lily Cavanagh, Charter School Staff Member
Topic: Sanctuary Schools and Newcomer Programs
29. Anna Winter, Community Member
Topic: Action Item 27: Application for New Charter School: Early College Charter School of Philadelphia
30. Betty Jean Thompson, Parent/Guardian
Topic: SDP and Charter Schools

**Primary Waitlist**

31. Lynda Rubin, Community Member
Topic: Action Item 28: Application
for New Charter School: Pan
American Academy Charter School
– Pathways High School
32. Nelson Flores, Charter School Staff
Member
Topic: Action Item 28: Application
for New Charter School: Pan
American Academy Charter School
– Pathways High School
33. Debbie Powers, Parent/Guardian
Topic: Peace in the Valley and Doing
the Boogie Woogie Get Down and
Dance With Super. Tony W., Daddy
Mac
34. Fahvyon Jimenez, Community
Member
Topic: The Need for More
Accessible & Viable Career-Focused
Education in Philadelphia
35. Mallory Fix-Lopez, Parent/Guardian
Topic: Let's Talk
36. Allison Choong, Community
Member
Topic: School Libraries
37. Yi Han Tseng, District Staff Member
Topic: Language Access for
Newcomers
38. Kel Smith, Community Member
Topic: Sanctuary Policies
39. Cheri Micheau, Community Member
Topic: Services to Immigrant
Students and their Families
40. Daniel Wideman, Parent/Guardian
Topic: Philly for GREAT Public
Schools
41. Marie Parrilla, Parent/Guardian
Topic: Action Item 28: Application
for New Charter School: Pan
American Academy Charter School
– Pathways High School
42. Tiye Thompson, Parent/Guardian
Topic: Expansion of Charter Schools
and support of Pan American and
Early College Charter HS
43. Mara Imms, Community Member
Topic: Resources for Parents
44. Angela Pardue, Parent/Guardian
Topic: New School
45. Darcy Russotto, Charter School Staff
Member
Topic: New Charter Applications
46. Esma Mosad, Parent/Guardian
Topic: Protecting our Students
47. Katy Egan, Community Member
Topic: Safe Air for Philly Schools



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48. Katrina Eames, Community Member
Topic: Safe Air for Philly Schools
49. Jordan Kardasz, Charter School Staff Member
Topic: Teacher and Staff Preparedness
50. Kate Perez, Community Member
Topic: Freedom of Speech
51. Jennifer Rock, Parent/Guardian
Topic: Special Education Teacher Allocation
52. Cecelia Thompson, Community Member
Topic: Special Education
53. Sarah Barrett, Parent/Guardian
Topic: Sanctuary School Policy
54. Yvonne Stephens, Community Member
Topic: School Nurse Termination
55. Aitiya Hobson, Community Member
Topic: Action Item 27: Application for New Charter School: Early College Charter School of Philadelphia
56. Elizabeth Jones, Community Member
Topic: Sanctuary Schools Resolution
57. Sheina Perez-Montalvo, Parent/Guardian
Topic: Action Item 28: Application for New Charter School: Pan American Academy Charter School – Pathways High School
58. Erica Levy, District Staff Member
Topic: Supporting and Protecting Diverse Learners
59. Lisa Haver, APPS
Topic: Action Item 1: Acceptance of Donation from Lovefutbol for Exterior Playground Improvements at the Avery D. Harrington Elementary School
60. Janet Rahatt, Parent/Guardian
Topic: Tuition Allocation for Charter Schools
61. Tashi Grant, Parent/Guardian
Topic: Misconduct at Lea
62. Barbara Dowdall, APPS
Topic: Turnaround Schools
63. Ilene Poses, Community Member
Topic: New Charter Applications