



Citywide Family Council: Superintendent's Leadership Team Representation

To: Members of the School Committee

From: Jeannine M. Durkin, Acting Superintendent

Date: January 7, 2019

This report is provided in response to the following motion made by School Committee Member Jackie Doherty during the December 19, 2018 School Committee Meeting:

"Superintendent or designee meets monthly during the school year with the leadership of the Citywide Family Council."

The Acting Superintendent has attended all of the Citywide Family Council Meetings during the 2018-2019 school year to date with the exception of the last meeting scheduled on November 27, 2018. In addition, the Superintendent has met on several occasions with the Executive Director of Project Learn LZ Nunn as well as Shamir Rivera Project Learn Alumni and Engagement Coordinator and Rebecca Duda Lowell Public Schools Family Resource Center Coordinator all of who provide support and oversight to the Citywide Family Council. At the most recent meeting with these individuals on November 19, 2018, we discussed the draft list of priorities that were raised by the participants in the Your Voice Matters Forums and the Citywide Family Council Meetings. Those priorities will be addressed in a presentation by members of the Citywide Family Council during a School Committee Meeting in February. In addition, we discussed highlighting one of those priorities each month during a Citywide Family Council Meeting and inviting key Lowell Public School personnel to participate to hear from families and discuss ways to address priority areas. This will determine who the Superintendent will designate to attend each of the monthly sessions and provide focus and attention to the matters brought forth by families.