## Columbus City Schools Superintendent Search

## Board Update 2 - July 17, 2018

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- Consistent communication among and between the search team consultants continues.
- An ad has not yet been placed via the National Alliance of Black School Educators (NABSE) due to their summer break. We will send one for their two week newsletter update.
- Drs. Debra Hill, Kevin Castner and Paul McKendrick will be in the District July 17-19 to conduct the "Community Engagement" activities on July 8. Focus Group invitations were publicized throughout the community via District communication strategies. There are 18 guests who have registered to attend the drop-in discussions between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. A reminder was emailed to all invitees. Those registered received a confirmation e-mail.
  - 1. Open Community Forums are scheduled for July 18, 6pm -7pm and 7pm -8pm. The three consultants will conduct the 6:00 Forum and Drs. Castner and McKendrick will conduct the 7:00 session. Information has been listed on the District website, included in the Focus Group invitation and has been publicized throughout the community via District communication strategies.

The Focus Groups and Community Forum, will be conducted at Columbus Downtown High School. This site will provide easier parking and access for participants with ample room for the community conversation and separation from the administration downtown.

- 2. A live on-line conversation will occur on Friday, July 20, from 6:00-7:00 p.m. and will be conducted by Dr. Hill on the District's Facebook page.
- 3. The Community Survey was accessible as of July 3. The survey will be active until July 22. This information is also included in the calendar, As of July 16, 20 surveys have been completed.
- The District's website section related to the search continues to be updated and a summary report of the data collected will be provided to the Board on July 31 via the telecommunications link.
- The District's Communications Department has created a special page on the District website for the search (www.ccsoh.us/SuperintendentSearch). This is a one-stop-spot for all information and links about the search including a link to the application for candidates and copies of public presentations for the community. This page will be updated throughout the search process.
- BWP consultants have distributed the vacancy notice to a number of individuals and professional organizations in our network and have received several inquiries from interested individuals. The BWP team continues contacting individuals who have been recommended by colleagues encouraging them to consider applying for the position. Announcement flyers were distributed at the Urban Superintendents Conference in Louisville, KY in early July.