

Equitable Resources Campaign

Timeline

December, 2020

- Powel School Advisory Council (SAC) agrees to mount a Resource Campaign, **ASK: School District of Phila (SDP) include 3 critical positions in 2021-2022 elem/K-8 school operating budget: Lead Literacy Teacher, Lead Math Teacher, and Climate Manager**
- SAC agrees to invite other schools and allies to join the Campaign

January, 2021

- 1/20 POWER Ed Justice Team agrees to join campaign
- 1/28 initial core team meets (members include reps from Powel parent and school leaders), POWER, Community ed activist. (Rev. Sims, Unitarian Universalist Church of Restoration, and Lilah)
- Core Team agrees to standing weekly meeting (Fri., 12:30-1:30)

February, 2021

- Outreach to other K-8 schools, SDP Principals Union (CASA) and Teachers Union (PFT)
- 2/7 letter to Dr. Hite (superintendent)
- 2/10 petition launched
- 2/18 POWER Clergy Caucus agrees to support
- 2/25 press event hosted by POWER Interfaith (Bishop as MC; Rev. Sims as speaker)
- 2/26 Helen Gym, City Council (CC), Chair Children Youth, Co-chair Ed, met with Shanee Nelson Garner, policy director

March, 2021

- 3/4 SDP releases budgets (no win: positions not included)
- Ongoing outreach and meetings with elected and school leaders:
 - Mallory Fix Lopez (member SDP's Board of Education (BOE))
 - Maria Sanchez (CC, Ed Committee Co-Chair)
 - Kendra Brooks, Council at-large – met with Alison Stohr, Dir. Legislative Policy, Tomilka Anglin, Chief of Staff
- CASA members endorse campaign; ASK expanded to include assistant principal and special ed compliance officer
- Fed relief funds announced – SDP slated to receive \$1.1 billion
- 3/12 Core Team agrees to extend campaign
- 3/18 BOE Hearing – 30 testify in support of Equitable Resource ASK, including 25 principals
- 3/24 *Inquirer* article – about principals' testimony, sparked by POWER tip
- Onward – Core Team Regroups (Rev. Cean James, Salt & Light joining core team)

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