Boston School Committee
Inclusion Task Force

Meeting Notes December 12, 2013

Present:
Natalie Ake, Eileen Nash, Patricia Lampron, Raul Garcia, Elaine Ng, Lindsa McIntyre, Edward Powell, Marty Mitchell, Jean-Dominique Hervé Anoh, Dianne Lescinskas, Maria de Lourdes Serpa, Mary Tamer (Co-Chair), Bill Henderson (Co-Chair), Karen Zerby Buzzelle (Facilitator).

Absent:

Approval of Inclusion Task Force Minutes November 7, 2013
- Minutes unanimously approved.

Inclusion Task Force Updates
- There will be an established page on the BPS website for the Inclusion Task Force onto which all documents will be loaded. Until that is fully established, Karen will e-mail all documents as attachments.
- Mary and Patricia announced that the innovation plan for the Henderson Inclusion Elementary School to expand to a K-12 along with the Harbor School has been presented to the School Committee and it will be voted on at their next meeting on Wednesday, December 18, 2013.
- The expansion of the Haley School toward a K-8 configuration is moving forward, but Eileen Nash noted that details are not yet finalized.

What goals do you have around Inclusion in BPS?
- Task Force members reviewed a draft document synthesizing some of their goals for inclusion in BPS.
- The group discussed other additions to the existing list (see document “Inclusion Task Force Goals 12-12-13”).
- Elaine led a discussion on the data BPS has generated for the Task Force (see relevant documents). She and Eileen emphasized the importance of requesting data that moves the Task Force’s work forward.
Announcements
- Facilitator recommended skipping this agenda item due to lack of time.

Committee Discussions
- The Task Force divided into two committees, Expand Quality Options (Mary Tamer, Chair) and Ensure Quality Options (Bill Henderson, Chair) (see notes).

Public Comments
- There were no public comments.

Next Meeting: Thursday, January 9, 2014, 6:00 p.m., Mary Lyon High School
- Presentation by Eileen Nash
- Discussion of site visits

Task Force Parking Lot:
- Eileen will take the lead on creating a survey for site visits and coordinating visits.