

Public Relations, Advocacy & Legislative Committee

Meeting Notes

Monday, June 14, 2021

1. Advocacy

- Review proposed NYSSBA resolutions on school start time and board member stipends - **Both finalized, Flora will send to Kelly for board approval**
- Advocacy for the [The Universal School Meals Program Act of 2021](#) to permanently provide free breakfast, lunch, dinner, and a snack to all school children. Is federal-level advocacy effective at a school board level? Or should we push NYSSBA, LHEC, DCSBA to create statements and sign boards on? - **Flora will reach out to LHEC/DCSBA about this. Meredith will reach out to NYSSBA.**
- Looking forward: What other issues could we see in the 2021-22 school year? What advocacy needs to be done around budget or Covid response, or are there new fronts to focus on? **Budget remains an issue, including foundation aid. We'll wait and see.**

2. Public Relations

- Updates on Committee pages and notes process - **This has been working pretty well for most committees, with agendas and summaries posted to the website. We'll continue with the process in the 21-22 school year, with some committee volunteers taking notes in committees without the clerk present.**
- Page errors/issues - **Matt will include a link to Vicki's email on the homepage, listed in the "I want to" section as Report an Issue on the Website**
- [Guidelines for BCSD web posters](#) - **Matt will look it over and share with admins who post to the website**

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