



**Milwaukee Public Schools**

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## Milwaukee Board of School Directors Appoints Stakeholder Group to Interview Final Candidates for Position of Superintendent of Schools

At a special meeting on August 4, 2009, the Milwaukee Board of School Directors authorized the Board's President, Michael Bonds, to recommend a stakeholders' group to assist the Board in its search for a new Superintendent of the Milwaukee Public Schools. The stakeholders' group was to include representation from the following groups: Hmong, Latino, African American, Native American, city government, business, unions, parent organizations, colleges, universities and institutions of higher education, philanthropic partners, and community organization partners.

At the Board's meeting on December 17, 2009, President Bonds submitted the following recommendations for the Board's consideration:

- **Christine Neumann-Ortiz**, Voces Dela Frontera
- **Mayor Tom Barrett**, Mayor, City of Milwaukee
- **Tom Morgan**, Milwaukee Teachers' Education Association (MTEA)
- **Bouncing Her**, MPS Charter School/MATC
- **Annette "Polly" Williams**, African American Education Council
- **Marvin Pratt**, Marvin Pratt & Associates (Lobbying and Consulting)
- **Roxanne Starks**, Milwaukee City Council PTA/PTSA's, Inc.
- **Peter Akubeze**, Pan-African Community Association (African Refugee Students)
- **Alphonso Thurman**, UWM School of Education
- **David Beaulieu**, UWM Professor — Electra Quinney Chair/Native American Teacher Program
- **Julia Uihlein**, David & Julia Uihlein Foundation

The Milwaukee Board of School Directors approved President Bonds's recommendations.

During the week of January 11, 2010, the stakeholders will participate as a group in the interviews of the final candidates for the position of Superintendent of the Milwaukee Public Schools.

In making his appointments, President Bonds expressed his confidence in the expertise, diversity, and judgment of his appointees to the stakeholders' group. President Bonds stated, "I am very pleased with this outstanding group of individuals. Their diverse backgrounds and experiences will ensure that the interests of the whole community are represented in the Board's selection of its new superintendent."

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