

Achievement First Rhode Island Board of Directors Annual Retreat

Thursday, July 24th, 2014 – AF Providence Mayoral Academy, 370 Hartford Avenue, Providence, RI

12:00 – 12:30 pm **Networking** (Lunch available)

12:30 – 12:40 pm **Call to Order & Welcome** (Brian Gallogly; Scot Kerr and Sarah Blanton)

12:40 – 1:15 pm **Connection to the Mission** (Lead: Laina Vlasnik Yip)
Introduce the Connection to the Mission tradition to directors. Includes a reading of the Mission Statement and a share out from school community members which features their connection to the mission.

1:15 – 1:45 pm **Year in Review** (Ben Smith)
Directors will hear a report from the school and network support that captures the overall assessment of AF Providence Mayoral Academy's first year.

1:45 – 2:00 pm **Break - Transition to Workshop**

2:00 – 3:45 pm **Workshop Deep Dives**

- ✓ **Introduction & AIMS** (Scot Kerr and Sarah Blanton)

- ✓ (2:10 – 3:00 pm) **Governance – Board Structure & Development** (Scot Kerr, Sarah Blanton and Brian Gallogly)
Directors will have a working session to outline the committee and officer responsibilities that they would like to establish for the 2014-15 school year, particularly in regards to work that might occur outside of scheduled board meetings.

- ✓ (3:00 – 3:45 pm) **Advocacy & Public Funding** (Laina Vlasnik Yip, Ken Paul)
This session will establish a baseline of understanding of the relationships of Mayoral Academies to the traditional and reform camps, and the funding/support structures for each.

3:50 – 4:30 pm **Board Objectives & Theory of Change** (Scot Kerr)
Directors will learn about the role board can play in support of the Achievement First "Theory of Change". This presentation will answer the question, "What does AF need the local boards to do?"

4:30 – 4:50 pm **Network Updates**

4:50 – 5:00 pm **Closing & Adjournment**