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Regular School Board Meeting

Continuation of Summary Explanation and Background

The Leadership Institute is being custom-designed for the Council by a team of Harvard University faculty members. It will draw on the expertise of faculty at the Harvard Business School, the Harvard Graduate School of Education, and the Harvard Kennedy School of Government, as well as the Council's years of hands-on experience working with urban school boards.

The program will provide participants with the opportunity to explore strategic topics in urban school board management and governance using both Harvard case study method and the Council's Student Outcomes Focused Governance Model. Specific emphasis will be placed on leadership skills and growth, relationship among board members and with the administration and community, managing conflict, building capacity to focus on district improvement, and addressing inequities.

The cost of the program is \$2,813 per person, plus airfare and means. The Council has been able to bring the costs down from the original estimate of \$4,125.

The Board Members, in collaboration with the Superintendent, attending this Institute will conduct a workshop session with the entire School Board at a workshop prior to the start of the 2019/2020 school year.