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The Interim Superintendent RECOMMENDED adoption of the following item:

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Director Bailey moved and Director Kohnstamm seconded the motion to adopt Resolution No. 5510. The motion was put to a voice vote and passed unanimously (5-yes, 0-no), with Directors Esparza Brown, Rosen, and Student Representative Tran absent.

**RESOLUTION No. 5510**

Authorization to Commission an Independent Investigation

**RESOLUTION**

The PPS Board of Education shall commission an independent investigation into questions raised by the District's handling of allegations involving former District employee Mitch Whitehurst. The Board approves the engagement of Amy Joseph Pedersen, of the law firm of Stoel Rives, to supervise the investigation and to retain the following investigators: Robert Weaver and Joy Ellis, both of the law firm Garvey Schubert Barer, and Norman Frink. The Board further grants the School Board Chair, Julia Brim-Edwards, the contract and signing authority necessary to engage Stoel Rives and any other related legal or investigatory resources. The Board approves expenditures not to exceed \$125,000 on this matter.

*J. Brim-Edwards*