



Chapter President Report September 8, 2018

LOCAL:

Outgoing officers should always plan to complete all outstanding projects before the new fiscal year and before the incoming officer officially begins their duties. If there are outstanding matters, the outgoing officer should work as a co-chair to the incoming officer. The incoming officer takes the lead of the office.

Elected officers and chairpersons, please attend your monthly or bimonthly webinars with the Area and National leaders in your respective positions. Share the information you have participated in to promote the growth of all members. This process will help strengthen our chapter in that it pulls each chair out of operating in silos. If you are not receiving communications from your Area and/or National chairwoman, please contact them to get on their distribution lists.

Support letter addressed to Portland Public Schools sent to KairosPDX in support of PPS 5 year lease approval. Follow up support included attendance at the PPS board meeting 8/28/18. A Thank You email received from Kairos. Pictures of the supporters at the board meeting are attached.

AREA:

Candidates interested in seeking an Area office or positions on the Nominating Committee, and the Foundation Representative need to submit nomination profiles to the National Headquarters by October 15, 2018. Elections occur at the 2019 Western Area Conference in Austin, TX. To access the form, log into the Members Only Section of the national website: www.linksinc.org.

Thank you Portland(OR) Chapter members for exceeding the Organizational Effectiveness survey so the Area committee can compile our chapter results. The 5 chapters with the highest response rate on all surveys will receive awards at the Western Area Conference in Austin. Aggregate survey results will be provided at the Western Area Leadership Summit. Individual chapter survey results will be sent to Chapters in October.



The invitation to register for the Western Area Leadership Summit was sent August 20, 2018. September 22nd early registration deadline or until full capacity is reached. It will be held October 5-7, 2018 at the JW Marriott Hotel and Spa in Newport Beach, CA. Functional 3 hour workshops. Friday arrival and midday Sunday departure. 15 service hours awarded.

Legislative Affairs include Virtual Town Hall meeting 9/24/18 so please schedule around that date. Two live streams: one will come out of one of Houston's HBCUs and the other is the Comcast Live Studio in California. Also, Voter's Education and Empowerment Western Area Links Mobilizing for Change September 29, 2018. Details to be shared by our chapter's National Trends and Services Committee. National MOU with NAACP, League of Women Voters, and National Urban League.

NATIONAL:

The new mission statement for The Links, Incorporated is "Friends transforming communities through service."

The newly elected National President is Kimberly Jeffries Leonard leading under the theme "Transforming Communities - Fulfilling our Purpose". Her focus will over the next biennium will be:

- 1) Focus on Friendship & Service
- 2) Align our Programs
- 3) Stabilize Our National Headquarters
- 4) Fix Our Technology
- 5) Leverage Our Membership

National Links store (<http://boutique.linksinc.org>) is now open as of 5/22/18. No outside/independent vendors have the right to sell items which bear The Links, Incorporated name and logo.

Membership is 15,870 with 288 chapters chartered throughout the world. 1 chapter charter revocation approved by the delegates during the National Assembly.

Humbly Submitted by:
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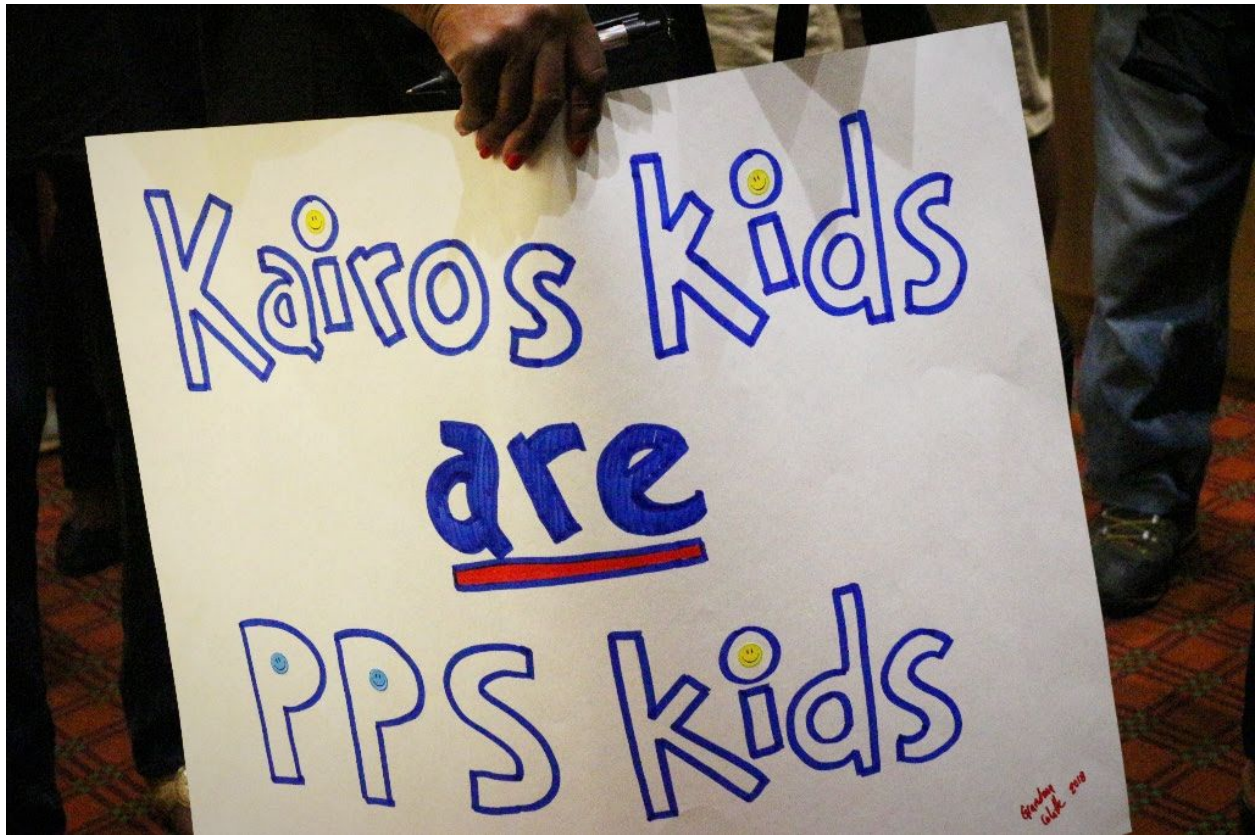


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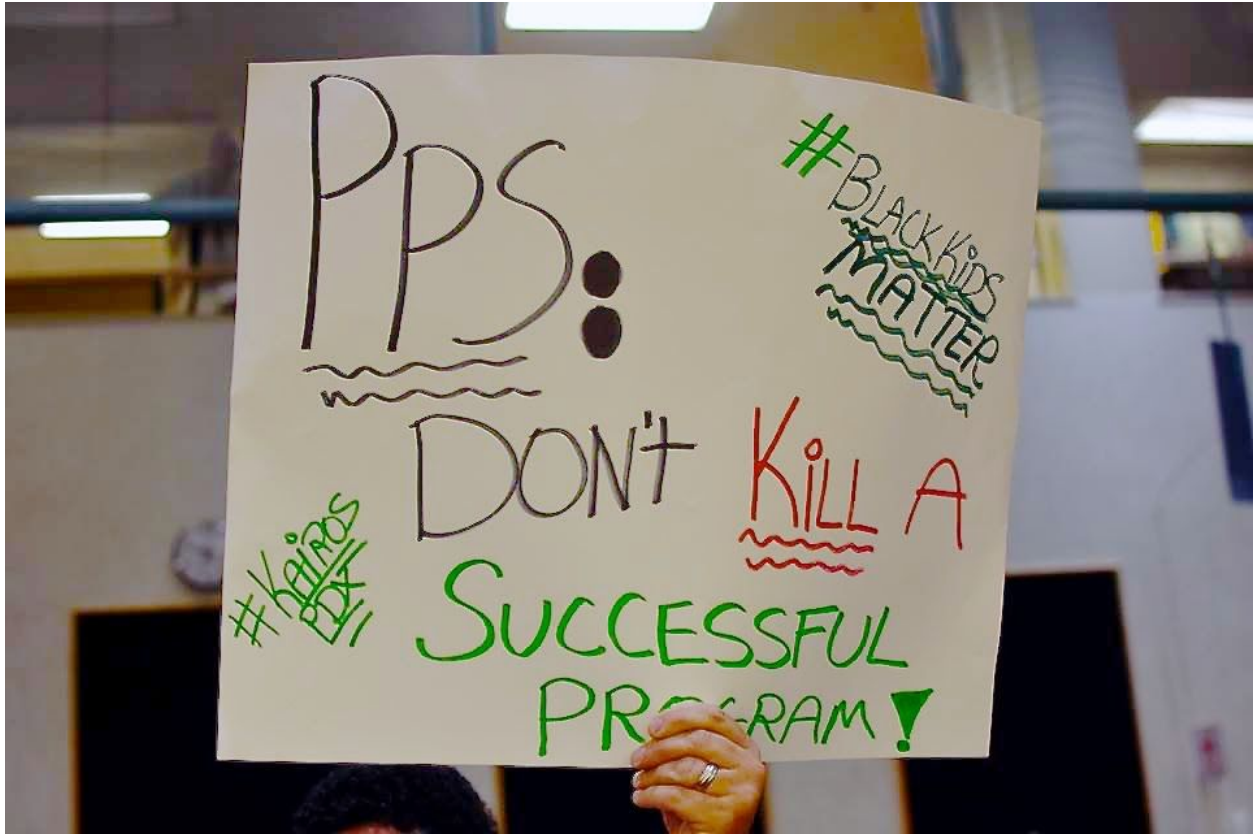


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