

Indivisible Education Committee
5/20/17

Local:

- DEA
 - working with several committee members
- Emily Newcomer
 - currently training for running for office—9R school board
 - has the support of DEA
 - monitoring 9R school board election/potential candidates

State:

- SB-61 defeated!
 - Senator Coram R-Montrose,
 - House Bill 1375 introduced which would:
 - bring greater accountability and transparency to charter schools..
 - requires charter schools to post online comprehensive tax forms that will show how much money they receive from gifts, grants and donations. \$500,000 up to \$1M
 - other key components requiring transparency so that schools are student-centered not corporation-centered
 - 5/15/17 NPR story: Indiana Charter Schools and Special Needs Students
- Teacher retention/highly qualified teachers in rural Colorado
 - talked with Barb McLaughlin and will set up a meeting

State/Federal Level: Higher Education

- immigration issues for all students at colleges/universities as well as PreK-12
- 5/12/17 NPR's story: White Supremacist on College Campuses and teaching students how to understand the messages and calls to join
- Federal Budget
 - Washington Post article May 17, 2017
 - clearly explains how DeVos and Trump want to take millions of dollars from public ed and funnel them into "schools of choice" impacting student programs, after school programs, special needs, student loans, work-study, first generation students, second language learners at all levels...
- Kati continues to monitor federal legislation. 23 Current Bills

41 members

10-12 "active"

Meetings: approximately once/week through email, 3 in-person committee meetings

CTA: 4

Working primarily on legislation local/state/federal levels, collaboration with 9R/DEA