

## Simultaneous Interpreting

### Purpose

- Create a more inclusive discussion that puts all participants on more equal footing
- Build skills of all participants for life in a multilingual, multicultural Boston



### How It Works

- Conversation is fully bilingual—each speaker speaks in whichever language they use
- Everyone wears headsets
- Participants may be asked to make a few modifications in ways of speaking to promote ease of interpretation (e.g., be concise, slow down a little)
- A hired bilingual interpreter (someone from outside the group) interprets the conversation in real time

### How to do it

- Borrow equipment from the United for a Fair Economy (or maybe the JP Neighborhood Development Corporation (JPNDC)), either for free or for modest donation.
  - A parent would need to obtain and return the equipment before and after meetings.
- Schedule and pay for an interpreter, hopefully from the Boston Interpreters Collective (BIC) (they may negotiate on price)
  - A parent would need to be the point of contact with BIC.

### Proposal

- JFK Parent Council uses simultaneous interpretation for all meetings starting with 2019–2020 school year

