



Citywide Council On High Schools

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Calendar Meeting Wednesday, May 11, 2016

ATTENDANCE

Brooklyn Representative	Mohammad Akram	Present
Brooklyn Representative	Marianne Russo	Present
Bronx Representative	Edward Afuakwah	ABSENT
Bronx Representative	Constance Asiedu	Present
Manhattan Representative	Monica Bajraktarevic	Present
Manhattan Representative	Michael Kraft	Present
Queens Representative	Mona-Lisa Chandler	Present
Queens Representative	Michelle Gebrail	Present
Staten Island Representative	Robin Allen	ABSENT-Excused
Staten Island Representative	Miguel Rodriguez	Present
Public Advocate Appointee	Lisa Lewis	Present
CCSE Appointee	Neyda Franco	Present
CCELL Appointee	Ulan Kuchukov	Present
Student Representative	Kara Gurl	Present
Superintendent Liaison Stand In	Karen Watts Ainsley Rudolfo	ABSENT Present

In Attendance

We have a quorum. Edward Afuakwah absent unexcused. Robin Allen was sick, excused absence. Superintendent Karen Watts was absent, work related, replacement for meeting: Ainsley Rudolfo, Executive Director for Programs and Partnerships.

CALENDAR MEETING

Call to order by President Ms. Asiedu at 6:25 pm. Attendance and roll call was taken.

Presenter:

Grant Thomas: Director of School Partnerships on OneGoal Program

The goal for this program is college graduation. See Power Point.

Only 9% of low income students are expected to graduate from college as compared to 82% from the top economic income families. Their program works with the academic middle students with the GPA of 2.7 and the combined SAT scores of 729. OneGoal focuses on the academic, financial education and social emotional growth of their students. They have 8 schools enrolled in Brooklyn, Bronx and Manhattan. Next year they will have 17 schools enrolled in the program at the cost of \$240 per student per year.

Fernanda H. Meier: College Board

On October 15, 2015 the DOE paid for the PSAT tests for 10th and 11th graders. The test was administered during school hours. The next PSAT test for 10th and 11th graders will be on April 5, 2017. The upcoming initiative for HS students is AP for All where each HS will have no less than 5 AP classes by 2020. When the students take the PSAT test, after the results are graded, College Board will send an email to inform individual students when they have AP potential. This will encourage the students to participate in the AP program. The HS administrators will also know which students in the building have AP potential, and can plan classes accordingly. The schools can order Fee Waivers for SAT tests for Title 1 students by June 30, 2016. The Khan Academy has partnered with College Board to offer free SAT online tutoring on 3 customized practice tests for each student in Math, English and Social Studies. They also offer free tests and tutoring from Pre-K skills to the MCAT and GRE. Ms. Meier offered to facilitate a workshop to inform parents of the benefits of the College Board website at their office.

Superintendent Liaison's Report

Superintendent Karen Watts is absent. Ainsley Rudolfo from her office reported: Inner Corps and Urban Ambassadors program.

Ainsley Rudolfo: Executive Director for Programs and Partnerships at Superintendent's Watts Office

One of the Mayor's initiatives: Inner Corps is to address the lack of Latino and African American teachers in NYC schools. This program supports Latino and African American students to become a teacher's assistant in their schools. They provide these students with the academic and social emotional support so that they may pursue a teaching profession in college. Inner Corps started in the Fall of 2016 and the pilot program is in 15 schools.

Another of the Mayor's initiatives: Urban Ambassadors' goal is to increase the attendance of Latino and African American HS students to Ivy League and top tier colleges. They locate qualified average academic students and provide support during high school and with college applications. The third class will graduate from this program with 39 students on June 15th.

Public Comment

No comment.

Announcements

Ms. Chandler announced:

- All Star Code Program
- Woman Empowerment Workshop

Approval of the Minutes

Ms. Chandler moved to pass the Capital Plan February 9, 2016 meeting, Calendar and Business Meeting April 13, 2016 and minutes with corrections.

Mr. Rodriguez 2nd the motion. **11 in favor.** Motion passed unanimously.

Yes	Akram, Asiedu, Bajraktarevic, Chandler, Franco, Gebrail, Kraft, Kuchukov, Lewis, Rodriguez, Russo
No	None
Abstained	None

Committee Report

Mr. Kraft, Co-chair of the Communications Committee, made a brief report that the website powered by eChalk is updated and changed to the new platform by the Administrative Assistant Suet Chan. She gave a presentation of the different components on the new website and its new location on the site. They planned to sign the eChalk contract for another year at \$1200. The board discussed having student interns for the new website.

Vote on eChalk Contract for 2016-17

Ms. Chandler moved to accept the eChalk contract for another year 2016-17.

Ms. Bajraktarevic 2nd the motion. **10 in favor.** Motion passed unanimously.

Yes	Akram, Asiedu, Bajraktarevic, Chandler, Franco, Gebrail, Kraft, Kuchukov, Lewis, Rodriguez
No	None
Abstained	None

Vote on student interns working on the eChalk website for 2016-17

Ms. Gebrail moved to have student participation for 2016-17.

Mr. Rodriguez 2nd the motion. **10 in favor.** Motion passed unanimously.

Yes	Akram, Asiedu, Bajraktarevic, Chandler, Franco, Gebrail, Kraft, Kuchukov, Lewis, Rodriguez
No	None
Abstained	None

Committee Report

Ms. Lewis the Chair of the Bylaws committee discussed briefly about revising some of the CCHS Bylaws. But it was decided that they will table the discussion until the next Bylaws Committee meeting.

Ms. Gebrail the Chair of the CCHS Annual Report stated the latest revision of the report has been sent to members, as well as attached to this month's members' handout at the meeting. She is working with the writer and sending recommendations/feedbacks from the Queens President's Council, as well as the Brooklyn, Bronx President's Council, SI Federation, and some Education

Councils. Ms. Robinson, the writer will be back from vacation on June 15th and the final edits will be finished and released before June 30th, 2016. Members need to submit any recommendations before the final revision.

Award Presentation

Ms. Asiedu presented a gift and Certificate of Excellence to Student Representative Kara Gurl for serving her term at CCHS.

President's Report

Ms. Asiedu tabled her report due to the lack of time.

Treasurer's Report

Ms. Bajraktarevic tabled her report due to the lack of time.

Members' Report

Members' tabled her report due to the lack of time.

Old Business

Ms. Asiedu discussed that members cannot have a conference phone calls as part of the committee meetings. The members need to attend the meetings if they want to participate.

New Business

Ms. Asiedu discussed future agendas.

- The June meeting we will invite the Chancellor and have student performers from Queens, Manhattan, Brooklyn and the Bronx.
- In July we will invite Coalition of Education for Justice and Health/Sex Education in HS.
- In August we will invite Sharon Rencher and Mark Rampersant to present.
- In September we will invite Regents Dr. Rosen to present.

Adjournment

Calendar meeting ended at 9:02PM.

Motion to Open and Close the Business Meeting due to the lack of time

Ms. Gebrail moved to Open and Close the Business Meeting.

Mr. Kraft 2nd the motion. **10 in favor.** Motion passed unanimously.

Yes	Akram, Asiedu, Bajraktarevic, Chandler, Franco, Gebrail, Kraft, Kuchukov, Lewis, Rodriguez
No	None
Abstained	None

Respectfully Submitted,

S. Mei Chan

Administrative Assistant

Revision made by Recording Secretary Lisa Lewis and President:

Approved by Council vote on June 8, 2016