



Citywide Council On High Schools

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Calendar Meeting Wednesday, January 10, 2018

ATTENDANCE

Brooklyn Representative	Celia Green	Present
Brooklyn Representative	Vacant	
Bronx Representative	Catherine Baez	Present
Bronx Representative	Cynthia Robinson	Present
Manhattan Representative	Rodrigo Diaz	ABSENT-Unexcused
Manhattan Representative	Zoe Foundotos	Present
Queens Representative	Mona-Lisa Chandler	Present
Queens Representative	Betsy Tam-Greene	Present
Staten Island Representative	Laurine Melville	Present
Staten Island Representative	Margaret Meyers	ABSENT-Unexcused
Public Advocate Appointee	Nickoles Martinez	Present
CCSE Appointee	Pamela Stewart	Present
CCELL Appointee	Ulan Kuchukov	Present
Student Representative	Alice Karetsky	ABSENT-Unexcused
Superintendent Liaison Substitute Superintendent	Karen Watts Juan Mendez	ABSENT-Excused Present

Attendance

A quorum was present. Rodrigo Diaz, Alice Karetsky, and Margaret Meyers were absent, unexcused absence. Superintendent Liaison Karen Watts was absent due to work. Substitute Superintendent Juan Mendez attended in her place.

CALENDAR MEETING

Ms. Green called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm. Attendance and roll call was taken.

Introducing CCHS Pamela Stewart CCSE Appointee

Presenters:

Liza Pappas: Education Policy and Budget Analyst NYC Independent Budget Office
On, ***“How to read a District Budget for CCHS”***

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Power point topics:

- **NYC Independent Budget Office:** IBO’s primary responsibility is to provide nonpartisan information about the city budget and tax revenues.
- **DOE Education Budget:** Education program budget breakdown
- **District HS Examples:** Galaxy Budget Allocation Categories, Galaxy Budget Titles, Galaxy Budget Organizational Categories
- **Budget Information Online:** Galaxy Budget Allocation Categories and Summaries on DOE School Portals, School Allocation and Summary Example
- HS General Education HS Breakout FY 2018 adopted budget: \$2,368,278,834 with 90% goes to staffing of the HS
- There are over 400 high schools in NYC
- How to locate any school budget by going to your school portal homepage, locate the link for “Statistics & Budget.” From that page go down to “Galaxy Budget Allocations,” and also go down to “Budget Summary,” to obtain information on the summaries of positions and budget amounts by assignment
- Additional briefs and reports on IBO’s website: <http://ibo.nyc.ny.us/>
- Liza Pappas, Policy and Budget Analyst lizap@ibo.nyc.ny.us and Yolanda Smith, Senior Budget Analyst yolandas@ibo.nyc.ny.us

Joe Rogers: Director of Public Engagement / Senior Researcher, Center for Educational Equity (Teachers College, Columbia University)

On the next steps with the educational-rights-information-dissemination resolution with

Dr. Renee Young, Parent Facilitator, Adelaide Sanford Institute

Panel:

Lorraine Calame, Parent Ambassador, Adelaide Sanford Institute

Judith Destin, Parent Ambassador, Adelaide Sanford Institute

Earline Mensah, Parent Ambassador, Adelaide Sanford Institute

The endorsements from parent organizations as of June 2017: Chancellor’s Parent Advisory Council, Citywide Council on High Schools, Citywide Council on English Language Learners, Citywide Council for District 75, Queens High School Presidents’ Council and CEC1, CEC 3, CEC5,

CEC 6, CEC 8, CEC 9, CEC 11, CEC 14, CEC 18, CEC 20, CEC 21, CEC 23, CEC 24, CEC 27, CEC 29 and CEC 32

The Center for Educational Equity will be sending out an updated template for NYC students' educational rights so parent organizations can update and revote the resolution, and then send it to the NYC and NYS elected education officials.

Michelle Noris: “**Access For All: A Guide to Improving Accessibility in NYC Public Schools**”

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- ADA vs. IDEA
- Creating access: Students and family members with disabilities
- Teachers / staff and people with temporary disabilities
- Current funding \$100 million per 5 years for NYC schools
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- Need strong advocating for government to increase funding for the projects
- Questions: Email Michelle at michellenoris@gmail.com

Interviewing and Voting for CCHS Brooklyn Representative

Ms. Green read the guidelines for the interviewing and voting process. There were 6 parent candidates for the CCHS Brooklyn representative position but only the following was in attendance: Henry Carrier, Vito LaBella, and Tatyana Segal.

The first round of voting: 1 for Henry Carrier and 5 for Vito LaBella. No winner revote.

Members	Henry Carrier	Vito LaBella	Tatyana Segal
Celia Green	YES		
Catherine Baez	ABSTAIN		
Cynthia Robinson	ABSTAIN		
Zoe Foundotos		YES	
Mona-Lisa Chandler	PASS		
Betsy Tam-Greene		YES	
Laurine Melville		YES	
Nickoles Martinez		YES	
Pamela Stewart	ABSTAIN		
Ulan Kuchukov		YES	

The second round of voting: 5 for Vito LaBella and 1 for Tatyana Segal. Revote next meeting.

Members	Henry Carrier	Vito LaBella	Tatyana Segal
Celia Green			YES
Catherine Baez	ABSTAIN		
Cynthia Robinson	ABSTAIN		
Zoe Foundotos		YES	
Mona-Lisa Chandler	ABSTAIN		
Betsy Tam-Greene		YES	
Laurine Melville		YES	
Nickoles Martinez		YES	
Pamela Stewart	ABSTAIN		
Ulan Kuchukov		YES	

Motion to table voting and do it at next meeting

Ms. Chandler motioned and Ms. Stewart 2nd the motion. **All in favor, 7 yeses. The motion passed.**

Yes	Baez, Chandler, Foundotos, Green, Melville, Stewart, Tam-Greene
No	Kuchukov
Abstained	Martinez, Robinson

Election of the Officer Nominations & Voting for Officer Position: President

Postponed, due to the lack of time.

Report of Superintendent Liaison

HS Superintendent Elaine Lindsey: Queens HS Districts 24, 25, 26, 27, 29 & 30 and Non-Affinity HS. She has 40 HS with 6 that are 6-12 grades. **See Power point**

Superintendent Lindsey highlighted:

- her schools (their programs at the schools), Principal Subhas Mohan, math teacher Krishna Mahabir, students, partnerships with Districts and individuals
- Special Initiatives 2017-2018: Equity & Excellence For All (increasing AP courses in schools)
- Increasing: Mathematic instructions and building capacity of Parent Coordinators
- Last year her schools hired 13 new principals

HS Superintendent Juan Mendez: New Visions-Bronx/Queens & District 28

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Priorities SY 2017-2018, power point topics:

- Writing Across the Curriculum
- Increasing the Utilization of Multiple Forms of Assessment
- Mathematics Professional Learning Opportunities
- Advanced Placement for All / AP for ALL-Schools / AP for All Cohort I and II

- Pre AP Schools and AP for All: Teacher Training
- College and Career-Readiness / Schools offering CTE Courses
- CTE Programs
- Strong Family and Community Ties
- Graduation Rates Exceed 80%: 2017 four year grad rates: Bronx and Queens

Public Comment

Miguel Chavez: PTA President of Art & Design High School announced their school's fundraiser event: "Fanfair," February 24-25 from 10am-6pm. He highlighted their event and invite others to attend.

Constance Asiedu: Past CCHS President made 2 comments:

- CCHS needs to respond to Parent Leaderships' questions
- CCHS quorum is 7 votes and CCHS meetings are a public meeting and therefore should not have any private discussions among the members while sitting in front of meeting

Update of CCHS Capital Plan

Chair Ms. Chandler gave an update. CCHS submission date to SCA was January 12, 2018, but they gave us an extension until January 19, 2018. We plan on having a Capital Plan meeting sometime next week. Members, please reach out to your schools. So far we have the following submissions:

- Brooklyn has 9 schools with 45 entries
- Queens has 12 schools with 52 entries
- Staten Island has 5 schools with 22 entries
- Bronx has 1 school and 3 requests
- Manhattan has 3 schools with 1 service request

Update CCHS Annual Reports

Chair Ms. Foundotos gave an update. She just had a committee meeting before this meeting where 6 people attended. Annual Report 2015-2016 was voted on but Annual Report 2016-2017 will be voted on at the next meeting. Both reports have not been published with only the copy editing needed to be changed. Ms. Foundotos will be meeting with the writer to make changes. Constance Asiedu will be writing the dedication page to passed member Robin Allen as well as the President's message for the Annual Report 2015-2016. The committee was given a choice of 2 writers but has selected Ed Talenti as the best writer for the Annual Report 2017-2018. We will vote on this at the upcoming Special Meeting. We also discussed additional contents and issues with the report.

Ms. Green discussed an upcoming Special Meeting next week so that the members can discussed and vote on the Capital Plan and Annual Report. The date will be announce.

Treasurer's Report

Postponed, due to the lack of time.

President's Report / Members Reports)

Postponed, due to the lack of time.

Adjournment

Calendar meeting ended at 9:30 PM. There was no Business meeting due to the lack of time.

Respectfully Submitted,

S. Mei Chan: Administrative Assistant

Revisions made by Recording Secretary: Ms. Tam-Greene

Approved by Council vote on February 14, 2018