



CITYWIDE COUNCIL ON HIGH SCHOOLS

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MINUTES

Business & Calendar Meetings

Wednesday, November 13, 2013

ATTENDANCE

Brooklyn Representative	Kenneth Cera	Present
Brooklyn Representative	Marianne Russo	Present
Bronx Representative	Evelyn Feliciano	<i>Absent</i>
Bronx Representative	Neyda Franco	Present
Manhattan Representative	Stanley Ng	Present
Manhattan Representative	Terri Watson	Present
Queens Representative	Alleyne Hughley	Present
Queens Representative	Alex Lee	Present
Staten Island Representative	Martin Krongold	<i>Absent</i>
Staten Island Representative	<i>vacant</i>	
Public Advocate Appointee	Paola de Kock, <i>President</i>	Present
CCSE Appointee	<i>vacant</i>	
CCELL Appointee	Noah Kaufman	Present
Student Representative	<i>Natalia Hackett</i>	Present
Superintendent Liaison	Karen Watts	<i>Absent</i>

Absences

Martin Krongold (excused absence).

CALENDAR MEETING

Call to order by President de Kock at 6:10 pm.

Program Presentation

Changes to the Progress Reports:

Superintendent Matheson presented changes to Progress Reports for high schools:

- 1.College readiness to receive more weight.
- 2.Peer methodology refined to compare schools across more measures.

Principal Evaluation System:

Solai Murarka, Director of Academic Policy, presented on the key features of the new principal evaluation system.

Report of Superintendent Liaison & Other High School Superintendents’ Reports:

Tamika Matheson, HS Superintendent, suggested CCHS email topics to the superintendents that they would like to see addressed in their reports.

“School quality conversations” will be held with struggling high schools as identified in the Progress Reports.

President’s Report & Announcements

Ms. de Kock :

- 1. Attended CTE conference
- 2. Suggested presentation on CTE for December meeting
- 3. CCHS will have affiliate member status in CTE Advisory Council

Members Reports

Mr. Cera: Interested in assisting students in the college applications process.

Ms. Hughley: Will attend PEP meeting. Question : How can the council help schools?

Ms. Franco: Reached out to schools to come the Capital Plan workshop.

Ms. Watson: Assisting in lawsuit; concerned with access for minority students to Specialized HS.

Mr. Lee: attended Joint Public Hearing

Mr. Ng: D 20 workshop on the HS admission process, was a panelist on HS admission, Chaired Capital Plan committee meeting.

Mr. Kaufman: Suggested joint meeting with CCHS and CCSE.

Ms. Russo: Attended DLT’s and D20 HS workshop.

Capital Plan Committee Report

Mr. Ng:

- 1. There are 450 HS and not enough money to take care of their needs.
- 2. Important that CCHS members reach out to their schools and their needs be included in the Capital plan.
- 3. CCHS has ten priorities in the Capital plan but 13 members, so not all CCHS council members have a priority. Council will further discuss in coming meeting how to divide the priorities.
- 4. Capital plan information will be e-mailed to principals before the end of the month.

Elections (President and First Vice President)

Chair Pro- Tem

Ms. Russo nominated Mr. Kaufman as Chair- Pro tem. Mr. Kaufman was elected unanimously.

Yes	Cera, Franco, Hughley, Kaufman, de Kock, Lee, Ng, Russo, Watson
No	None
Abstained	None

President

Mr. Ng nominated Ms. de Kock for President. Ms. de Kock was elected on a 7-1 vote, with one abstention.

Yes	Franco, Hughley, Kaufman, de Kock, Lee, Ng, Russo
No	Watson
Abstained	Cera

First Vice-President

Ms. Russo nominated Ms. Hughley for First Vice- President. Ms. Hughley was elected unanimously.

Yes	Cera, Franco, Hughley, Kaufman, de Kock, Lee, Ng, Russo, Watson
No	None
Abstained	None

Public comment

FDR HS (D 20) Speaker: Students are meeting lab classes requirements during their lunch period. Ms. Matheson suggested the issue be brought to the school's SLT.

Calendar meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm.

BUSINESS MEETING

Meeting called to order by President de Kock at 8:40pm.

Approval of Minutes (August 14, 2013; September 11, 2013)

The Council discussed the protocol for absences. As stated in the by-laws, absences and the reasons therefor are noted in the minutes.

Mr. Ng moved to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2013 and September 11, 2013 meetings. Motion passed.

Yes	Cera, Franco, Hughley, de Kock, Lee, Ng, Russo, Watson
No	None
Abstained	Kaufman

Mr. Kaufman tried to make a motion towards executive session but was denied.

Treasurer's Report

See attached Treasurer's Report.

Vacancies

Special meeting should be scheduled to interview candidates.

Planning for upcoming calendar meetings and committee meetings

1. CTE presentation will be scheduled for the December meeting.
2. College committee proposed.

Business meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Marianne Russo,
Recording Secretary**

Approved by Council vote on December 11, 2013