



Citywide Council On High Schools

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Calendar Meeting Wednesday, August 10, 2016

ATTENDANCE

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

In Attendance

We have a quorum. Michael Kraft was absent, unexcused absence. Robin Allen was sick, excused absence. Marianne Russo and Superintendent Watts was absent due to work, excused absence. Ainsley Rudolfo were Superintendent Watts' replacement for this meeting.

CALENDAR MEETING

Call to order by Ms. Asiedu at 6:12 pm. Attendance and roll call was taken. We do not have quorum at 6:12pm.

Presenters: Sharon Rencher: Senior Advisor to the Chancellor/ Senior Executive Director State/ Federal Education Policy and School Improvement Programs

Olivia Ellis: Director of Community Engagement and School Support, Office of School Support

Ms. Rencher spoke about the School Improvement Federal Grant (SIFG) / School Innovation Grant (SIG) tied into the Title 1 funding stream. See attached power point. The DOE would be receiving 2.5 million over the next 5 years, giving the selected schools, \$500,000 per school. This Federal Program has 2 models: Family and Community or Career and College. This summer of June 30th, all 1800 schools submitted their S/CEP plans. The DOE reviewed their plans and give feedback to improve on student outcomes. Our districts also have a DCEP plans focusing on their district's goals similar to the S/CEP plans.

There are issues with DLT meetings since they focus on K-8 schools and not high schools. They plan to have focus groups with HS parents and their HS Superintendents, to see if this would be workable relationship. If this model is successful, they would branch out and create similar groups in all the districts. Members have problems with DLT meetings. This fall Ms. Rencher would be addressing the DLT issues along with FACE Executive Superintendent Yolanda Torres.

Ms. Rencher focuses on the reauthorization of Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Most of the ESSA programs are applicable to New York City. The timeline for the ESSA is: 2015-16 is the bill passage and initial rule making, 2016-17 is the transition year and 2017-18 is when the new systems are in place. Under this new bill, there is great importance placed on Parent and Family Engagement with outreach made to this group, and they will have 4 months to respond accordingly. Parents are the key components of this education plan. Some of the details of this plan were discussed. Ms. Rencher suggests that if you want more information about your schools' S/CEP plans or your districts' DCEP plans, please go onto the DOE website: <http://iplanportal.com/>

Annual Meeting **Election of Officers**

Ms. Asiedu the current CCHS President announced the CCHS Annual Meeting at 7:50pm. She had a roll call and determined that we have quorum. Ms. Asiedu would be leaving, and as the past president she nominated herself as Chair Pro-Tem. All council members are in agreement. The following members were absent: Robin Allen, Michael Kraft and Marianne Russo.

President

Ms. Chandler nominated Ms. Gebrail as President. Ms. Gebrail accepts. Mr. Akram 2nd the nomination. **All in favor. 8 yeses and 3 absences. Ms. Gebrail is President.**

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

1st Vice President

Ms. Franco nominated herself as 1st Vice President. Mr. Akram 2nd the nomination. **All in favor. 8 yeses and 3 absences. Ms. Franco is 1st Vice President.**

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

Abstained	None
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2nd Vice President

Ms. Bajraktarevic nominated Ms. Chandler as 2nd Vice President. Ms. Chandler accepts. Ms. Franco 2nd the nomination. **All in favor. 8 yeses and 3 absences. Ms. Chandler is 2nd Vice President.**

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

Recording Secretary

Ms. Gebrail nominated Ms. Lewis as Recording Secretary. Ms. Lewis accepts. Ms. Franco 2nd the nomination. **All in favor. 8 yeses and 3 absences. Ms. Lewis is Recording Secretary.**

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

Treasurer

Mr. Akram nominated Ms. Bajraktarevic as Treasurer. Ms. Bajraktarevic accepts. Ms. Franco 2nd the nomination. **All in favor. 8 yeses and 3 absences. Ms. Franco is 1st Vice President.**

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

Superintendent Liaison’s Report

Superintendent Watts was absent and Mr. Rudolfo was her replacement for this meeting. Superintendent Watts and Superintendent Prayor are introducing a new pilot program: Medgar Evers College: *Early College Dual Credit (ECDC)*. This program offers the opportunities to the bottom third HS students to receive college credits and possibility a college Associate Degree. The professors would go to the HS’s to teach and or the college would teach HS teachers to teach the courses. The courses they are offering are: Math 151/Pre-Cal, Biology 101/Intro to Biology, History 201/ Global Civilization, and History 201/ Global US History. This program would begin in September 2016.

Public Comment

Ms. Lindsey congratulated the new CCHS board members. And we still do not have universal free lunch for all NYC students. Her organization “Lunch 4 Learning,” has new leadership, and they will continue to fight for universal free lunch.

Mr. Overton is a representative for [INCLUDEnyc](#) , and he would like to provide resources along with a presentation for NYC parents.

Announcements

Ms. Chandler announced:

- RecYouth Summer 2016 Showcase-Programs for teens with technology (see notice)

Ms. Asiedu announced:

- Back to School Fair with Bronx Borough President Rubin Diaz Jr. on August 27, 2016.
- Forever Harlem: Work experience/Internships for 17-24 years old 9-7-16 (see notice)
- College is Possible-HS event for students with disabilities (see notice)
- Upcoming HS Fairs in September 2016

Ms. Gebrail announced:

- NYC Transitional Age Conference on September 22-23, 2016 in Saratoga Springs Hilton
- Partnership Level of Success Conference November 8 and 10, 2016 in Saratoga Springs

Ms. Bajraktarevic announced:

- Brooklyn Borough President Eric Adam's Youth Organization Capacity Workshop on August 16, 2016

Approval of Budget

Ms. Franco moved to accept the preliminary budget until the September meeting, where we will vote on detail budget. Ms. Gebrail 2nd the motion. **All in favor. 8 yeses and 3 absences.**

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

Approval of the Minutes

Ms. Gebrail motioned to accept the June 8th Calendar and Business meeting minutes. Ms. Franco 2nd the motion. **All in favor. 8 yeses and 3 absences.**

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

President's Report

Ms. Franco motioned to take out the President's Report and replaced it with Old Business. Ms. Gebrail 2nd the motion. **All in favor. 8 yeses and 3 absences.**

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

CCHS Vacancies Deadline

Ms. Asiedu motioned to accept the vacancies deadline September 30, 2016. Ms. Gebrail 2nd the motion. **All in favor. 7 yeases 1 abstain and 3 absences.**

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

Old Business

Approval of the CCHS Annual Report

Ms. Franco moved to accept the AR with only amendments and revisions. Ms. Gebrail 2nd the motion. **All in favor. 8 yeases and 3 absences.**

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

New Business

None.

Adjournment

Calendar meeting ended at 8:45PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

S. Mei Chan: Administrative Assistant

**Revision made by Recording Secretary Lisa Lewis and President:
Approved by Council vote on**