



Citywide Council On High Schools

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Business Meeting Wednesday, February 10, 2016

ATTENDANCE

Brooklyn Representative	Mohammad Akram	ABSENT-Excused
Brooklyn Representative	Marianne Russo	Present
Bronx Representative	Edward Afuakwa	ABSENT-Excused
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	ABSENT-Excused
Public Advocate Appointee	Lisa Lewis	Present
CCSE Appointee	Neyda Franco	Present
CCELL Appointee	<i>Vacant</i>	
Student Representative	Kara Gurl	Present
Superintendent Liaison Substitute	Karen Watts Jennifer Golderg	ABSENT-Excused Present

In Attendance

We have quorum. Mohammad Akram and Miguel Rodriguez were absent due to work related reasons, excused absences. Edward Afuakwa and Robin Allen were sick, excused absences.

BUSINESS MEETING

Call to order by President Ms. Asiedu at 8:44 pm. Attendance and roll call was taken.

Committee Report

- Bylaws committee Chair Ms. Lewis will be sending emails out for possible meeting dates.
- Capital Plan Committee Co-Chair Ms. Chandler: There will be a meeting on 2/23/16 at Tweed 10am-12pm to discuss the submissions and late submissions.

Discussion will be on:

1. Top 10 past submissions-2 for each borough
2. Currently: each borough will have 5 priority schools (SCA will look at the first 5)
3. When CCHS is making the priority choices, they will use the same criteria as SCA.
4. Last year's Capital Plan report had a submission total of 649 of which 452 were not funded, 78 had a capital plan in progress, 28 are in the proposal and some might be completed, and 79 were referred to DOE for maintenance. Maintenance issues are not eligible for Capital Plan funds.

Annual Report Committee Chair Ms. Gebrail is currently working with the writer Gail Robinson. They are working on the outline of the annual report. She would like to reach out to the other President's Councils to have each borough put in 2 priority issues for the report. She also wanted members' input on the topics they would like in the report. The writer will have her first draft in March and the final will be in May. She would like the annual report to be distributed at the end of the school year to have maximum effect. This year they would like to add a HS student's perspective by asking the student representative Ms. Gurl to go to her student council and solicit feedback to report at the next CCHS meeting. CCHS will be making 2 payments to Ms. Robinson for her report.

Communications Committee Co-chair Mr. Kraft would like to know if members would like to use the existing CCHS mission statement written by Ms. Chandler. For the CCHS website he would like:

What processes are needed for the:

1. Content
2. Making changes
3. Resolutions: Would it be decided on a committee level? How to streamline the process from inception to passing the resolutions?

Future Agenda

March: CCHS quarterly meeting with the High School President's Council Presidents

April: Chancellor Fariña meeting-Members will prepare some questions ahead of time while parent attendees will be asking questions at the meeting.

May: Sharon Rencher on:

Changes in the Federal Education Law regarding Title 1

- Reauthorization of the new ESSA
- Updates on the Federal Education Law

June: Year-end celebration. We need to start at 5PM and we can have students from one school from each borough perform for the council.

Adjournment

Business meeting ended at 9:17PM.

**Respectfully Submitted,
S. Mei Chan
Administrative Assistant**

Revisions made by Recording Secretary Lisa Lewis and President:

Approved by Council vote on March 9, 2016.