



# Citywide Council On High Schools

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## Business Meeting Wednesday, August 12, 2015

### ATTENDANCE

<b>Brooklyn Representative</b>	Mohammad Akram	Present
<b>Brooklyn Representative</b>	Marianne Russo	ABSENT
<b>Bronx Representative</b>	Edward Afuakwah	Present
<b>Bronx Representative</b>	Constance Asiedu	Present
<b>Manhattan Representative</b>	Monica Bajraktarevic	Present
<b>Manhattan Representative</b>	Michael Kraft	ABSENT
<b>Queens Representative</b>	Mona-Lisa Chandler	Present
<b>Queens Representative</b>	Michelle Gebrail	Present
<b>Staten Island Representative</b>	Robin Allen	Present
<b>Staten Island Representative</b>	Miguel Rodriguez	Present
<b>Public Advocate Appointee</b>	Lisa Lewis	ABSENT
<b>CCSE Appointee</b>	<i>Vacant</i>	
<b>CCELL Appointee</b>	<i>Vacant</i>	
<b>Student Representative</b>	<i>Vacant</i>	
<b>Student Representative Alternate</b>	<i>Vacant</i>	
<b>Superintendent Liaison</b>	Karen Watts	Present

### In Attendance

We have quorum. Marianne Russo absent due to personal reason, unexcused absence. Michael Kraft absent due to previous vacation commitment, unexcused absence. Lisa Lewis left the meeting early, she did not stay for the Business Meeting, unexcused absence.

## BUSINESS MEETING

Call to order by President Ms. Asiedu at 8:58 pm. Attendance and roll call was taken.

### Administrative Assistant Report

The AA will be working with DOE Dr. Andrea Soonachan of the College and Career Office on the "Planning for Success: Support Transition through HS to College & Career Parent Guide". She is requesting to leave at 3pm for August 27<sup>th</sup> and August 31<sup>st</sup> in order to participate in the revision of that booklet. There was no objections from the council on those 2 dates.

Ms. Asiedu notes that the AA will be paid for the 2 days of the meetings held after 3pm.

Ms. Asiedu would like to table the Committees, and Old Business part of the meeting agenda, due to the need to present the Resolution Mr. Rodriguez wrote. There are no objections.

Mr. Rodriguez read the CCHS Resolution #1 on Credit Recovery, (see attached).

Title of resolution:

**CCHS REQUESTS THAT NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S "CREDIT RECOVERY" PROGRAM BE SUSPENDED IMMEDIATELY.**

Ms. Gebrail commented that Mr. Rodriguez's Resolution is excellent, simple, and to the point. A well written document that the issues brought out by the document affects many HS students today. There is a great need for the HS students to get a proper education, which is not happening today.

Ms. Asiedu said that at last CCHS meeting John Dewey's HS was a concern for them. She would like to know:

- Is the principal from John Dewey HS removed to a backroom, and still collecting a salary while his case is in arbitration?
- What are the powers of the Principal in adjusting any grades? We need to know that grey area where the principal has the powers to adjust the grades after it is in.
- What is the grading policy of the school that does the grading for the other school?

**Approval of The CCHS Resolution #1 on "Credit Recovery"**

Authored by: Staten Island Representative Miguel Rodriguez

8 yeses and 3 absences. Motion passed unanimously.

Yes	Akram, Afuakwah, Allen, Asiedu, Bajraktarevic, Chandler, Gebrail, Rodriguez
No	None
Abstained	None

**New Business**

Ms. Bajraktarevic talked about the need to have a table for the CCHS representatives at the September 26, and September 27 2015 Citywide High School Fair at Brooklyn Technical HS.

Ms. Asiedu agree, and that the AA should set this up with DOE Enrollment.

Mr. Akram made a motion to close the Business meeting. Ms. Allen 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**Business meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

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**S. Mei Chan**  
**Administrative Assistant**

**Revision made by Recording Secretary Lisa Lewis and President:**

**Approved by Council vote on September 9, 2015**