



## COMMUNITY EDUCATION COUNCIL DISTRICT 15

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### APPROVED AT THE JULY 7 BUSINESS MEETING

#### July Special Session - CEC Vacancies Candidate Forum

Via Teleconference  
Monday, July 6, 2020  
6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

#### **SPECIAL SESSION AGENDA (as posted)**

*CEC15 has 3 vacant member seats which includes one ELL seat. We are conducting this Candidate Forum to meet and hear from the applicants. The Forum is not meant to be a Q&A session. Voting will occur at the July Calendar Meeting. The public is encouraged to provide feedback on candidates through this [survey](#).*

1. Call to Order and Roll Call (2 min)
2. Rules of Decorum (5 min)
3. Introduction (5 min)
4. Candidate Statements (30 min)
  - Alexander, Edward
  - Cook-Mack, Rebeka
  - Eddon, Guy
  - Maoirano, Serafina
  - Marquardt, Ling
  - Rahim, Ayesha
  - Randall, Nancy
  - Rembert, Cateia
  - Strelzik Wiessman, Carly
  - Volik, Heather
5. Closing Remarks (10 min)

***It is anticipated that CEC15 will vote to go into an Executive Session to discuss matters leading to the appointment of CEC15 Councilmembers.***

***Members of the public are not permitted to attend an Executive Session.***

6. Adjournment



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## Call to Order 6:07 pm

### 1. Roll Call

#### Present:

Camille Casaretti, President  
Mark Bisard, Co-Vice President 1, IEP Rep  
Antonia Ferraro, Co-Vice President 2  
Bess Abrahams, Secretary  
Kimmerly Scott, Treasurer  
Tia Schellstede, BPA  
Ivan Banda, BPA

#### Absent:

Krystal Cason, Parliamentarian, excused absence

### 2. Rules of Decorum

This Special Session does not include a public comment period, nor a Question and Answer period. We ask that you open the survey link in the chat and add your comments to the google form. You may also submit comments at [cec15@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:cec15@schools.nyc.gov)

### 3. Introduction - Camille Casaretti, President

- CEC15 currently has 3 vacant member seats which includes one ELL seat and we are conducting this Special Session Candidate Forum to meet and hear from the applicants.
- Communications about the Vacant Seats were sent to the public via email throughout the months of May and June, through direct appeal to the D15 Presidents' Council and to our D15 Principals.
- Announcements were made at CEC Meetings through May and June and the application, along with other pertinent information, has been posted on the [CECD15.org](http://CECD15.org) website and on our Facebook page.
- The 10 Candidates would qualify for 2 of the Council Seats. The Council is still seeking a parent of a MultiLingual Learner whose child qualifies for ELL status, or one that is within two years of changing status. If you have a friend that you think might qualify or be interested in filling our ELL seat, please share this information with them.
- This Forum is meant to be an introduction of the Candidates. Each candidate has submitted an application that has been vetted by the Department of Education and each candidate



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has been asked to prepare a 2 to 3 minute statement to read tonight on **"Why they want to be a CEC15 member and what special skills they will bring to the CEC?"**

- After the candidates present, if Council members have questions we will contact the candidates via email or we may host a follow up meeting. Voting is planned for the evening of Tuesday, July 21, 2020 during our July Calendar Meeting.
- Members of the public, especially Presidents' Council and Members of Education Groups are encouraged to provide feedback on any or all of the candidates through an online [survey](#) or via email to [cec15@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:cec15@schools.nyc.gov)
- **Candidate Survey:** <https://forms.gle/imkjtJ7fpNsGDL1z8>
- **Email comments to:** [cec15@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:cec15@schools.nyc.gov)

#### 4. [Candidate Statements](#) - Candidates each gave a statement

Alexander, Edward  
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Video Recording of the Meeting: [click here](#)

#### 5. Closing Remarks

Camille Casaretti thanked the Candidates and discussed next steps toward the election of new members.

*At 6:40 pm, Antonia Ferraro made a motion to go into the Executive Session to discuss matters leading to the appointment of CEC15 Councilmembers. The AA and FACE liaison were invited to the Executive Session.*

*Camille Casaretti seconded the motion*

*The council voted unanimously to go into the Executive Session.*

*At 7:23 pm, Antonia Ferraro made a motion to end Executive Session*



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*Ivan Banda, seconded the motion.*

*Remaining members were: Camille Casaretti, Antonia Ferraro, Bess Abrahams, Mark Bisard, Ivan Banda, and Tia Schellstede*

*Details on how new members would be voted on during the Election of New Members was discussed.*

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Saida Barker, Administrative Assistant.