

Community Education Council District 32 Meeting

**SPECIAL BUSINESS MEETING
MINUTES**

June 4, 2020

12:30 PM

**CEC D32 Office
797 Bushwick Ave
Brooklyn, NY 11221**

Type of Meeting	Special Business Meeting		
Note Taker	Stacie Johnson, Recording Secretary		
Attendees		Special Business Meeting	
	Martha Bayona	Present	
	Joanna Fuentes	Absent	
	Stacie Johnson	Present	
	Yashaira Longras	Absent	
	Maria Lopez	Present	
	Wanda Nunez	Present	
	Samuel Olivares	Present	
	Desines Rodriguez	Absent	
	Renisha Westbrooks	Present	
	Quorum	Met	

Special Business Meeting: 12:30 PM

1. Call to order and roll call: Martha Bayona, Stacie Johnson, Maria Lopez, Wanda Nunez, Samuel Olivares, Renisha Westbrooks. Absent: Joanna Fuentes, Yashaira Longras, Desines Rodriguez.
Motion to address items # 3 and 4 on the agenda before item # 2, presented by Stacie Johnson. Motioned seconded by Renisha Westbrooks. All members present voted to approve the motion.
2. Determine the date of a Students With Disabilities Best Practices presentation offered by the Special Education team of the Brooklyn North NYCDOE Borough Office
 - a. Members Martha Bayona, Wanda Nunez, and Samuel Olivares said yes to having the presentation during the monthly meeting. Members Martha Bayona, Wanda Nunez, Samuel Olivares, and Renisha Westbrooks do not mind holding an extra meeting where to have the presentation. Member Maria Lopez could not state on the chat nor via telephone, whether she also wanted to have the presentation because she was at work.
3. Public Comment
 - a. Selina Lebron, Community Outreach Specialist for the NYPCC: Suggested that Member Maria Lopez speak or write her thoughts on the chat room.
 - b. Monserrat, Community Member and DOE employee: *Interested in knowing what is happening in the community to see how to help parents and students. What is the plan moving forward? How to help the community in regard to budgeting? Do all families have technology? How can we help families who are struggling? I still do not have a device even after reaching out several times. Teachers are also having difficulties getting the equipment they need.* Member Martha Bayona stated that principals need to reach out to families and identify those who have not received the devices. UFT has offered devices to teachers that did not have one, in addition to free internet. Devices are still available for students. Conversations are still ongoing regarding the reopening of schools.
 - c. Tommy Torres, Assistant Principal in District 14: *Have there been any talks about summer learning and getting parents connected and learning how to help the students at home? We are having several meetings with our staff and our principal in District 14, a lot at the high school level, but I chime in with the Superintendent Winnicki to get parents the tools to make sure they are helping their families at home.* Member Martha Bayona stated that the DOE has been providing information regarding Summer School, workshops, and how to connect with parents via virtual learning; informed that CEC parents citywide put together a workshop in nine languages to help parents navigate virtual learning and the platforms; and asked that Mr. Torres subscribe with the CEC.
 - d. Gladys Coloma, Parent: *I have a child in the 7th grade. Teachers hold classes in Zoom and register student attendance in the morning. During class, children share videos, games, etc. As a parent, I would like to suggest holding online classes in a way that teachers can monitor what children are doing, can control attendance, and that parents can see what is being taught.*
4. Executive Session: Called to discuss the Annual Superintendent Evaluation.
 - a. All members present voted to approve to go into the executive session.
 - b. Executive session ended at 3:12 PM

5. Members took a few minutes to discuss a convenient date to meet with the Office of District Planning, which had asked the Council for a time to convene. Members Martha Bayona, Stacie Johnson, Wanda Nunez, Samuel Olivares, and Renesha Westbrooks decided to meet on Wednesday, June 10, 2020 at 3:30 PM. Member Maria Lopez had to leave shortly before this conversation due to work.
6. Adjournment: 3:16 PM

APPROVAL OF CALENDAR, AND BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES	April 23, 2020 and May 7, 2020 - Approved [Met Quorum]
NOTE: A draft of all meeting minutes are available within two weeks after the meeting and posted on the Council's website at CEC32.org.	
ADJOURNMENT	Meeting adjourned at 3:16 PM
SUBMITTED BY:	Silvia Belmonte, Administrative Assistant

Approved on:

_____ Recording Secretary

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