



COMMUNITY EDUCATION COUNCIL DISTRICT 15

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Business Meeting - Special Session Meeting Approved on 4/17/18 at a Calendar Meeting

Date: 03/27/2018

Time: 9:15 a.m.

Location: 131 Livingston Street, Room 501

Business Meeting Agenda (as publicly posted)

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Welcome - Pres. Camille Casaretti
3. Approval of Minutes from March 8 and March 19
4. Review and Vote on School Based Health Clinics Resolution
5. Review of 80 Flatbush Ave Statement to CB2
6. Communications Committee Update:
 - a. Vote on Paying for Website
 - b. Vote on Statement of Information Disclosure
7. Diversity Meeting Update - Lili Velez
 - a. Schedule a Date
 - b. Review Draft Agenda
8. Discussion regarding questions for D15 Superintendent
9. Working with the Presidents' Council
10. Adjournment

Call to Order 9:15 a.m.

1. Roll Call - Charles Star

Present:

Camille Casaretti, President

Scott Powell, Co-Vice President

Kathy Park Price, Co-Vice President

Charles Star, Treasurer

Nicole Brier

Mark Bisard

Lili Velez

Antonia Ferraro

Elena Romero

Absent:

Yanfeng Zhang

Neal Zephyrin, Secretary



Invited Guest:

Jai Griem, FACE Representative

2. Welcome - President Camille Casaretti

- Wanted to follow up on Joint D13/D15 State Testing Meeting held last week. Unfortunately some of the speakers canceled close to the meeting date. Although there was a lot of info shared we were hoping for it to be more balanced.
- There needs to be transparency regarding the tests. Not enough information for parents. What are the rights DoE provide to parents?
- CEC15 has questions about what provision will be made by the district to address appropriate conditions for test taking.
- Chancellor's Town Hall will probably need to be rescheduled. New chancellor will probably not able to come on April 17.

3. Approval of Minutes from March 8 and March 19

- March 8 Minutes: Some edits/changes were made.

Motion to approve changes made to March 8 Minutes - Antonia Ferraro

2nd motion to approve changes made to March 8 Minutes - Charles Star

Motion passed by all 9 members in attendance

- March 19 Minutes: Some edits/changes were made

Motion to approve changes made to March 19 Minutes - Scott Powell

2nd motion to approve changes made to March 19 Minutes - Charles Star

Motion passed by all 9 members in attendance

4. Review and Vote on School Based Health Clinics Resolution

- Some edits were made.
- One item on the resolution needs to be confirmed by school based health clinic nurse practitioner.

Motion to table resolution until item is confirmed - Scott Powell

2nd motion to table resolution until item is confirmed - Camille Casaretti

Motion passed by all 9 members in attendance

6. Communications Committee Update:

a. Vote on Paying for Website

- Website so far has been paid by month. Paying for the year is cheaper.

8 votes in favor

1 vote against



Motion passed by majority vote

- Scott has been paying for the old website with Linode. No use to keep using the old website.

Motion to decommission old website - Scott Powell

2nd motion to decommission old website - Nicole Brier

Motion passed by all 9 members in attendance

b. Vote on Statement of Information Disclosure

- Minor edits were made
- Should be sent to the public.

Motion to vote on Statement of Information Disclosure - Elena Romero

2nd motion to vote on Statement of Information Disclosure - Scott Powell

Motion passed by all 9 members in attendance

7. Diversity Meeting Update - Lili Velez

a. Schedule a Date

- The date will be Thurs, May 17, 2018 at PS 10

b. Review Draft Agenda

- Town Hall will be on diversity, race and ethnicity, including disability.
- Specific incidents should be discussed during Town Hall - Racism, bias against gender, the composition of ICT and IEP under the umbrella of race and ethnicity. And any data representing this information.
- Participation from Red Hook and Sunset Park is low. Need to find a way to improve participation and figure out how to get people in the room.
- Need to get this conversation started and fill a gap with this dialogue.
- This Town Hall will position CEC15 to be a body to speak on this issue. An opportunity for this council to be proactive.
- Parents will be allowed the opportunity to share their stories but CEC15 will not be solving the problems, but rather identifying the problems. Everyone should voice their concerns.
- After Town Hall, CEC15 should ask DoE how to approach issues raised.
- A facilitator will be needed

4. Review and Vote on School Based Health Clinics Resolution - Continuation

- Antonia Ferraro was able to confirm the item in question

Motion to vote on resolution - Scott Powell

2nd motion to vote on resolution - Charles Star



Motion passed by all 8 members present

5. Review of 80 Flatbush Ave Statement to CB2

- Camille Casaretti worked with Antonia Ferraro on the statement.
- Ms. Casaretti will speak during the CB2 meeting on March 28.
- Minor edits were made to the statement.

Bring Back the B71 Bus Event - Co-Vice President Kathy Park Price

- Council Member Brad Lander will be presenting an event for children on May 3rd. It will be a family event.
- Should CEC15 sponsor this event?

7 members in attendance voted in favor to sponsor the event.

9. Working with the Presidents' Council

- The Joint Meeting with the Presidents Council was something that we have never tried before and the planning and logistics could have been better.
- The meeting was more of a CEC15 meeting than a Joint Meeting. That was not the intention.
- They felt there was no input from them on the agenda. They did not feel they were equal participants.
- There was a lack of back and forth communication throughout the meeting.
- CEC15 should try to have better communication with the PTA Presidents.

8. Discussion regarding questions for D15 Superintendent

- Nicole Brier drafted a letter to superintendent that was never sent. Council will review the letter.
- Once ready, the letter should be sent to D15 Superintendent Anita Skop asking her for responses to CEC15's questions.
- CEC15 reviewed the Superintendent's Evaluation form. Some important items are missing from the form like school safety and overcrowding. No meaningful question on the form.
- Need to discuss with Superintendent Skop the overcrowding issue. Will she end the overflow system?

10. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting - Mark Bisard

2nd motion to adjourn meeting - Lili Velez

Meeting adjourned by unanimous consent at 12:15 p.m.

- Minutes submitted by Francisca Andino, Administrative Assistant