



COMMUNITY EDUCATION COUNCIL DISTRICT 15

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Calendar/ Business & Joint PTA Presidents' Council Meeting

Vice President's Report - Antonia Ferraro Martinelli

Good evening everyone and welcome to the first of four Joint Presidents' Council meetings. The next joint meeting will be our Legislative Breakfast, which is at Brooklyn Borough Hall on Fri Jan. 5 at 9:45 am. A light breakfast will be served in the mezzanine and discussions with elected officials will take place in the adjacent Courtroom. There will be two more meetings, when CEC members will attend Presidents' Council meetings remotely on two Mondays, Jan. 29 and Mar 25 at 6:30 pm. Links will be shared.

Before I turn it over our PTA Presidents, I want to share some announcements. First, I want to thank Principal Phillips for accommodating our meeting. This building is exploring an exciting change that will provide more space, enable the school to meet the new class size mandates, enable teachers to provide mandated services in appropriate locations rather than improvised noisy, crowded spaces like hallways. And the school won't have to utilize their aging "Transportable Classroom Units" or TCUs which experienced water infiltration during Storm Ophelia. NYCDOE is planning a proposal to re-site grades K-1 of P.S. 321 from building K321 to a beautiful new building on President St. (K347) for the 2024-2025 school year. A Joint Public Hearing will take place on Jan. 4 at 6pm.

Add below to chat:

Where: Teleconference, <https://learndoe.org/districtplanning/>

You can sign up to speak at the Joint Public Hearing starting at 5:30 p.m. Speaker sign-up will close 15

minutes after the hearing begins.

The teleconference virtual hearing room will open at 5:30 p.m., 30 minutes before the Joint Public

Hearing is scheduled to begin. If you are unable to attend the hearing over the internet through the above teleconference link, you may

use the direct phone line option:

To participate in English, dial 646-828-7666 (Toll Free) and enter meeting ID: 160-095-7268#.

This Joint Public Hearing will also offer live interpretation in Spanish.

To participate in Spanish, dial 646-964-1167 (Toll Free) and enter meeting ID: 161-564-8166#.



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Before the hearing, you may visit the following website to confirm you are able to join the teleconference

with your equipment: <https://learndoe.org/districtplanning/tech-check/>.

III. Information regarding where the full text of the proposed item may be obtained.

The Educational Impact Statement is available in the main office of P.S. 321 as well as on the PEP

website at:

<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/get-involved/families/panel-for-education-policy/2023-2024-pages/february-27-2024-school-utilization-proposals>. Information on how to submit oral or written

comments regarding the proposed item.

Members of the public may provide comments at the Joint Public Hearing listed above. They may also

provide oral or written comments as follows:

- Written comments can be sent to D15Proposals@schools.nyc.gov
- Oral comments can be left at 212-374-0208

Also, I attended a meeting last week with Brooklyn Safe Street Coalition. They quickly mobilized after 7 year old Kamari Hughes was hit and killed by a NYPD tow truck in Fort Greene. Hans and Donalda were at the meeting and I welcome them to offer their summary.

*Mayor Adams made an announcement 2 weeks ago to fulfill **3 out of 5 of the Safe Street Coalition's policy asks.***

1. 2,000 intersection redesigns next year, including raised crosswalks and signage.
2. The above includes at least 1,000 intersections to be daylighted.(SEEING AROUND CORNERS)
3. Announcing significant expansion to safe vehicle fleet technology pilot for city fleet + requiring safety tech for major contractors (SPEED LIMITERS EVEN IN SCHOOL BUSES)
4. Introducing traffic injury/fatality information to regular CompStat meetings, elevating traffic crashes as a public safety issue within city gov't - ITS VIOLENCE NOT AN ACCIDENT

However it should be noted that this announcement **does not** include anything about school streets or crossing guard funding.



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And the last announcement - Thursday Dec. 14 there are two very important things to attend. There is a public hearing on Hybrid Meetings at 11 am. They are soliciting feedback on the implementation of hybrid meetings in public bodies ahead of July 1, 2024, which is when the hybrid option expires.

Add to chat:

*The Office of the Manhattan Borough President invites you to submit testimony to our upcoming Public Hearing on **Hybrid Meetings for Public Bodies**, which will take place on **Thursday, December 14th at 11AM**. This meeting will be hybrid, with the option of participating in person at 1 Centre Street, 19th Floor, or virtually via **zoom**:*

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_srl35JxgSHqiko4ABV-8kA

***Submit testimony to** c.carroll@manhattanbp.nyc.gov with the subject line OML Public Testimony.*

And also on Thursday Dec. 14 we will hold our Chancellor's Town hall at MS 51 (Doors open at 6pm) - BE THERE OR BE SQUARE! This is your opportunity to ask the man at the top about anything education related. And I am sure the Presidents of our Presidents' Council have a lot of issues on their minds. So I will turn it over to our fearless Presidents' Council co-Presidents - Elton Dodson, PTA president of PS 295 and Roxanne Hai Lash, PTA president of PS 958.