Community District Education Council 29Q

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CDEC 29Q CALENDAR Meeting Minutes – January 13, 2022

- Calendar meeting called to order by CEC 29 First Vice President E. Lelievre at 7:10pm.
- Roll Call CEC 29 member Dr. West

Present: Rehana Begum, Tariq Khan, Jacques Leandre, Esther Lelievre, Jermaine McCalpin, Kim West. **Excused Absence**: Nicole Hammond

Quorum Met

- D29Q Community Superintendent's Report Mrs. Mitchell
 - o Reported on the State of District, Citywide Updates, and Chancellor Banks 4 Pillars.
 - o Announced Middle School Virtual Events taking place on 1/20, 1/25 and 1/28.
 - o Reported on D29 Academic Screeners (assessment data) & DESSA Screeners (wellness check).
 - O Discussed Health and Safety Updates: increased testing in schools, distribution of at home rapid test kits, quarantine policy, PPE.
 - Deputy Superintendent Dr. Vaughn commented on discussion regarding offering a remote option. Principals will have some autonomy in the design of a remote learning program for their school. District office will keep community abreast on information related to remote learning.
 - o CEC 29 First VP announced middle school applications opened.
- Secretary's Report
 - o Approval of November 2021 and December 2021 Meeting Minutes. All members were in favor, no one opposed.
 - o Roll Call vote to approve amendments to CDEC 29Q Bylaws:
 - R. Begum Yes, T. Khan Yes, J. Leandre Yes, E. Lelievre Yes, J. McCalpin Yes, K. West - Yes.
 - Amendments to CDEC 29Q Bylaws approved with Six Yes Votes.
 - o Roll Call vote to fill Council Seat Vacancy:
 - R. Begum Yes, T. Khan Yes, J. Leandre Yes, E. Lelievre Yes, J. McCalpin Yes, K. West Yes.
 - Roll Call Vote to fill Council Seat Vacancy approved with Six Yes votes.
- Presentation: Middle School / High School Application Process
 - Superintendent Mitchell reported the presentation could not take place due to the Office of Student Enrollment has not finalized the application in time to present this evening.
- Public Agenda Session Speaker's List
 - o K. Stevens: Parent concerns not being resolved.
 - Superintendent Mitchell reported that she escalated Mr. Stevens's concerns to the Office of Special Investigations (OSI).
 - o Jason Clark: Dream Chasers academic enrichment program, takes place on Fridays after school and Saturday mornings.
 - Elizabeth Sowunmi, Senator Comrie's office: Announced upcoming Youth Policy Council Meeting, Special Events, and the Youth Leadership Recognition Program.
 - Senator Comrie: Memorialized community member Mrs. Rene Bluford who passed away in December. Mrs. Bluford was instrumental in getting the first minority representative on the District 29 school board, the first owner of an All-State insurance agency, and a member of the NAACP and the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated.

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- Luke Severe: started program working with students as IS 59, preparing students for the specialized HS exam.
- o CEC First VP Esther Lelievre highlighted Senator Comre's work in the district.
- Cherise Parson, Assembly Member Hyndman's Office: brought Happy New Year greetings on behalf of the Assembly Member. Announced a call to action for donations towards the Bronx residents affected by the apartment building fire. Upcoming Events: Homeowners Tax Assistance, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service distributing PPE to community residents. Reported the Assembly Member is gathering community members to develop a plan that will support education in D29.
- Melody Lloyd: new parent to D29, having challenge registering child because school does not
 offer services. The Principal of the school was at the meeting and promised to assist the parent
 with the registration process.
- o Kamaria Aubry, President's Council: announced the next President Council meeting will take place on January 18.
- Calendar Meeting adjourned at 8:23pm.

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CDEC 29Q BUSINESS Meeting Minutes – January 13, 2022

- Business meeting called to order by CEC 29 First Vice President E. Lelievre at 8:30 pm.
- Roll Call CEC 29 member Dr. West

Present: Rehana Begum, Tariq Khan, Jacques Leandre, Esther Lelievre, Jermaine McCalpin, Kim West. **Excused Absence**: Nicole Hammond

Quorum Met

- Treasurer Report Tariq Khan: no expenses to report. Council Members encouraged to submit reimbursement request forms.
- Capital Plan
 - o Additional discussion to finalize CEC 29 top five priorities.
 - o CEC First VP E. Lelievre suggested Principals should work closer with their Custodians & Department of Facilities (DFS) to resolve many of the Capital Plan issues submitted.
 - o CEC 29 deadline to submit prioritized request is January 14.
 - o CEC 29 was informed PS 95 and PS/IS 116Q will have TCUs removed, no date has been set yet.
 - After further discussion, the Council concluded their top five requests to include the request for a Kitchen, Security Cameras and the PA system.
- Meeting Adjournment: CDEC 29Q First Vice President Lelievre made a motion to adjourn the Business Meeting at 10:10 pm. All members in attendance agreed. None opposed.
- CDEC 29Q January 13 Calendar & Business meeting minutes submitted by Administrative Assistant Nakida Chambers-Camille.