

## CEC 29Q Calendar Meeting Minutes – December 15, 2022

- CEC 29Q Calendar Meeting called to order by President Nicole Hammond at 7:10 pm.
- Roll Call: President Hammond
  - Present: Joann Cummings, Nicole Hammond, Tariq Khan, Jacques Leandre, Esther Lelievre, Jermaine McCalpin, and Kim West.
  - Quorum Reached
- Secretary's Report – J. Cummings, Recording Secretary
  - Approval of Minutes
    - CEC members reviewed October 2022 meeting minutes. Having no edits or changes, the council approved the minutes.
    - CEC members reviewed November 2022 meeting minutes. Having no edits or changes, the council approved the minutes.
  - Resolution: CEC 29Q Oppose the Success Academy Proposal to Co-locate in Springfield Gardens Educational Campus.
    - Ms. Cummings read the resolution to the public.
    - Questions and comments were taken from the floor before council held the roll call vote.
    - Roll Call Vote: J. Cummings – Yes; N. Hammond – Yes; T. Khan – Yes; J. Leandre – Yes; E. Lelievre – Yes; J. McCalpin – Yes; K. West – Yes.
    - The resolution passes with 7 – Yes votes.
- CEC 29Q President Report – Ms. N. Hammond
  - President Hammond had a brief report and comments regarding CEC 29 efforts to stop Success Academy Co-Location Proposal.
- D29 Community Superintendent's Report – Dr. M. Vaughn, Deputy Superintendent
  - Deputy Superintendent Vaughn presented the report on behalf of Dr. Bonds who had to attend another meeting and would join the meeting shortly.
  - D29 Updates:
    - Improving Middle School Instructional Practices:
      - Middle schools will have math & literacy coaches assigned.
      - Regents tutoring is offered to middle school students.
      - The DREAM Program prepares MS students for specialized HS test.
    - DESSA Screenings information
    - Reported on Bonding with Bonds sessions with students who voice their successes and concerns.
    - Health & Safety update, masks are highly recommended. NYC Dept. of Health issued a mask mandate (not required, but encouraged).
    - D29 literacy initiative
    - Chancellor's expectations: spelling bee, science fair, arts festival, student government.
    - Upcoming events: Winter Wonderland in partnership with PS 118, District 29 Sailing Sundays Reading Event.

- Council member/Committee Reports
  - CEC Member J. Cummings reported on the latest IEP workshop series. Reported that PS 356 AP Hanson addressed attendees with tips and suggestions for the holiday season. The next session will review the start of the IEP process.
- Presidents' Council Report – President J. Cummings
  - The next meeting will take place virtually on Monday 12/19 at 6pm. Excited to announce Presidents Council has a full board. The treasurer and financial secretary have grant writing backgrounds. Wished everyone a safe and happy Holiday.
- Public Speaking Session – Speaker's list
  - D. Sparrow, Council Member Linda Lee office: announcements
  - E. Zackery, Queens Rep on CCHS serving as Vice President, support efforts to oppose Success Academy Co-location Proposal, reported CCHS passed a resolution opposing co-location, announced he's running for the position of Queens Rep. on the PEP.
  - Dr. Bonds joined the meeting and made herself available for questions. Discussed goals and initiatives the district office is pursuing; plans to open more D75 seats, and implement the NEST and Horizon programs.
  - CEC 29 Member Dr. Kim West announced JCAL free dance classes for middle school students in grades 5 - 8 students, students must sign up by Jan 11th. Dr. West will forward information to CEC office for distribution to the public.
  - Shanay Henderson reported she is a reader and will share suggestions for supporting District 29 Sailing Sundays reading event.
  - Vanessa Sparks, Community Member, reported on the upcoming HBCU Fair at Eagle Academy on January 16<sup>th</sup>.
- Meeting Adjournment: CEC 29 Calendar Meeting adjourned at 8:29pm.

## CEC 29Q Business Meeting Minutes – December 15, 2022

- CEC 29Q Business Meeting called to order by President Nicole Hammond at 8:30 pm.
- Roll Call: President Hammond
  - Present: Joann Cummings, Nicole Hammond, Tariq Khan, Jacques Leandre, Esther Lelievre, Jermaine McCalpin, and Kim West.
  - Quorum Reached
- Treasurer report – Tariq Khan reviewed the current operating budget. Reported no changes to the budget. Reminded members to submit monthly reimbursement reports.
- Old Business/New Business
  - Virtual Office Hour Sessions: President Hammond suggests CEC members make themselves available to the public to answer questions and/or provide support to families. The following members volunteered to offer office hours as follows:
    - President Hammond: Wednesday Mornings
    - Tariq Khan: Expressed interest in a 2:00pm – 3:00pm time slot (will confirm day of week).
    - Dr. West: Tuesdays, 8:30 am - 9:30am.
    - President Hammond asked members to email CEC office with their availability to host a virtual office hour session with the hopes of starting at the beginning of the year.
  - Capital Plan Amendments, FY'23
    - Council discussed hosting a January event.
    - Suggestion made to collaborate with Presidents' Council.
    - Suggestion made to coordinate with elected official their availability to meet with the council and D29 community.
    - The district office has solicited capital needs from District 29 building leaders and will forward that list to CEC members. CEC members will follow-up with schools to see if there are any changes.
  - Request for CEC 29Q Support
    - Community speaks request to partner with CEC to gather data regarding peoples socioeconomic experiences in District 29Q. Council asked District Office if the organization has reached out to their office. Dr. Vaughn was unfamiliar with the organization and asked the email request be forwarded to the District Office.
    - Citywide Wellness Advisory Council: an initiative the NYC DOE is soliciting members to serve on an advisory panel. Members are asked to respond directly to the request by completing the information provided.
    - Dr. West asked if CEC 29 could promote and share the information regarding the Free Dance program.

- Next meeting agenda:
  - o CEC Member E. Lelievre suggested the council host a parent workshop regarding cannabis; announced the first cannabis store will open on Dec 29th. Would like to look at January dates.
    - Jacques suggested inviting people who are for, and those against, cannabis in the community.
    - Council agreed the conversation can get started during the Jan 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- Meeting Adjournment: President Hammond made a motion to adjourn the business meeting. All members in attendance agreed. No one opposed. Business Meeting was adjourned at 9:37pm.
- Minutes Submission: Calendar & Business Meeting minutes submitted by N. Chambers-Camille, AA.

APPROVED