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Community Education Council District 20 Business Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2020

Meeting ID: https://nycdoe.zoom.us/j/99699224590?pwd=UUIQZTJrT3IwODFBUzVSaWZyMUdMQT09

**Meeting Start Time:** 5:35 PM

Present: Adele Doyle, Vito LaBella, Alan Aja, Robert Aguilar, Mauricia Cadillo, Yi Fang Chen, Simeon

Stolzberg, Alice Licato, Inga Smolyar, Dina Guirguis

Guests: Stephen Wieser, FACE Representative; Dr. Joseph O'Brian, Deputy Superintendent; William Chin,

Family Leadership Coordinator; Sylwia Jasinski, Family Support Coordinator

I. Meeting called to Order: Dina Guirguis, First Vice-President

Roll Call: Robert Aguilar, Second Vice-President

#### II. Candidate Interviews

- a. Candidates were asked three questions and then asked to introduce themselves
  - 1. Question 1: What do you think the role of CEC should be?
  - 2. Question 2: Other than Overcrowding, what do you believe to be the most pressing issue facing District 20?
  - 3. Question 3: In what ways do you think this pandemic has disproportionately impacted families in this district and how do you see the CEC's role in supporting these families?

#### **III. Executive Session**

- a. Motion to enter into Executive session to deliberate over the candidate interviews: Robert Aguilar, Seconded: Alice Licato; motion carried by majority vote
- Council members discussed what they thought of the answers given before naming their choices

#### IV. Budget

a. Council members asked about the deadline to move the funds. With a deadline of late March, the members unanimously voted to distribute the funds as follows:

TITLE	PROGRAM	BUDGET
Non-Contractual Services	CEC Member Reimbursements	\$12,000
Non-Contractual Services	CEC President Reimbursement	\$2,400
Non-Contractual Services	Refreshment and Family Engagement	\$600
Supplies-General	CEC P-Card	\$1,000
Supplies-General	CEC Website	\$2,000
Supplies-General	Instructional Supplies	\$3,000
Equipment- General	Equipment	\$4,000
Total		\$25,000

## V. Social Media Accountability

- a. Council members discussed having the Facebook page. The former council did not vote on the use of Facebook.
- b. Motion to vote on whether to keep commenting available on Facebook.
  - Inga Smolyar; Seconded: Alice Licato
  - Yes: 3; No: 5; Abstain: 2The motion does not carry

## VI. Officer Elections

- a. Chair Pro Tem: Dina Guirguisb. President: No nominations
- c. Recording Secretary: Alice Licato
  - Council unanimously elects Alice Licato as Recording Secretary

## VII. Adjournment:

a. adjourned at 7:23 PM

Submitted: Natalia Mondesir August 20, 2020 Adele Doyle President

Dina Guirguis First Vice President

Robert Aguilar Second Vice President

Open Seat Recording Secretary

Inga Smolyar Parliamentarian/Treasurer



Council Members Alan Aja Mauricia Cadillo Yi Fang Chen

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**Guests**: Stephen Wieser, FACE Representative; Dr. Joseph O'Brian, Deputy Superintendent; William Chin, Family Leadership Coordinator; Sylwia Jasinski, Family Support Coordinator

I. Meeting called to Order: Dina Guirguis, First Vice-President

Roll Call: Robert Aguilar

## **II.** Approval of Minutes

- a. Council members reviewed the minutes prior to the meeting
- b. Motion to approve the minutes: Simeon Stolzberg; Seconded: Alan Aja
- c. Minutes approved through unanimous vote

### III. President's Report

a. First Vice President Dina Guirguis formally announced the retirement of Superintendent Costantino

#### IV. Report of Community Superintendent

- a. Deputy Superintendent Dr. Joseph O'Brien read a letter from Superintendent Costantino about her retirement
- b. Council member Adele Doyle made a statement and expressed her gratitude for Superintendent Costantino
- c. Dr. O'Brien gave the Superintendent Report. He discussed that schools are preparing to reopen in September and the Equity Committee. The first Equity Committee meeting will be on Thursday, September 17, 2020. More information will be disseminated through the CEC.
- d. Dr. O'Brien answered questions that had been sent to the Superintendent prior to the meeting:
  - What is the district doing to make sure remote learning is better than last spring?
  - What are the expectations for live instruction during remote learning going to be?
  - How many days will teachers have to plan and train before instruction with students begins?
  - When will families find out what group they are in so they know which days their child is in and out of school?
  - When will schools let families know which other families are in their group so they can try to coordinate learning pods and child care outside of school? Is the district or schools going to do anything to help families coordinate learning and child care during remote learning?
  - What plans have been made in case in-school instruction is not feasible and everyone has to go to 100% remote learning again?

• What is the status of admissions to middle school and high school for 5th and 8th graders respectively? How will this be done, SHSAT is scheduled for Nov at this point, any news about this?

## V. Vote on the Bylaws Code of Conduct

- a. A council member shared that there is an equity group from the Central Office who is drafting a Code of Conduct to be adapted by CECs.
- b. Motion to vote on the updated bylaws
  - Alice Licato, Seconded: Dina Guirguis
  - Yes: 9, no: 1;
  - Motion Carries

### VI. Candidate Election

a. The council has decided to defer the candidate voting to the next meeting

# VII. Public Speaking

- a. 8 Parents signed up to speak
- b. Topics include: school reopening, equity, CEC involvement in the community, Resolution #6

## VIII. Return to School Resolution presented by Alan Aja

- a. Seeks an indefinite delay of schools reopening in September
- b. Yes: 4, No: 6
- c. Motion does not carry

### IX. Adjourn

a. Meeting Adjourned 8:59 PM