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Community Education Council District 20

August Calendar Meeting

Date: Wednesday, August 10, 2022

Meeting Start Time: 7:10 pm

Present: Steve Stowe, Elizabeth Chan, Marie Brugueras, Ghada Amin, Jona Isufi, Li Ping Jiang, Maya

Rozenblat, Joyce Xie.

Excused: Jennifer Hu, Vito LaBella, Kevin Zhao

Guests: District 20 Deputy Superintendent Dr. Joseph O'Brien, Richard Mantell - UFT, Michael Sill - UFT

I. Meeting Called to Order: Steve Stowe, President

a. Roll Call: Steve Stowe, President

II. Old Business - approval of the July 2022 Calendar Meeting minutes

II. New Business

- a. Report of Deputy Superintendent Dr. Joseph O'Brien families received G&T offers on August 3rd and have until August 19th to accept; summer rising survey for families participating this summer is underway; family welcome center has temporarily relocated but will relocate to 89th street on Sept 19th; District will continue using i-Ready and Acadience academic screeners during school year; Supt. Pretto scheduling a learning / listening tour at hybrid events across District 20 in September and October; schools are working on creating math and science Olympiad teams; Dr Pretto to introduce expanded District team in September; shared data on budget figures for district schools in context of DOE budget reductions;
- b. UFT representatives Richard Mantell and Michael Sill commented on budget reductions; noted that Federal stimulus money was available to cover some programmatic spending reductions but that City does not want to utilize it for that purpose; commented on lawsuit challenging the budget reductions which will likely drag on for weeks, close to start of school; will negatively impact afterschool programs and academic programs;
- **c. Budget -** CEC members discussed and approved the budget for FY 22 23; this included approval of funding for Constant Contact, an email management application;
- d. President Report upcoming meeting with Chancellor Banks for CEC President's;
- e. By-laws discuss and approve by-law reforms and amendments;
 - a. Vote 1 approved with 8 yes, 0 no
 - i. Stowe yes
 - ii. Chan yes
 - iii. Brugueras yes

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- iv. Jiang yes
- v. Xie yes
- vi. Amin yes
- vii. Isufi yes
- viii. Rozenblatt yes
- b. Vote 2 eliminate language starting the Business Meeting at 7:00; approved with 8 yes, 0 no
 - i. Stowe yes
 - ii. Chan yes
 - iii. Brugueras yes
 - iv. Jiang yes
 - v. Xie yes
 - vi. Amin yes
 - vii. Isufi yes
 - viii. Rozenblatt yes
- c. Vote 3 eliminate language calling for establishing additional Calendar or Business meetings in a given month; approved with 8 yes, 0 no
 - i. Stowe yes
 - ii. Chan yes
 - iii. Brugueras yes
 - iv. Jiang yes
 - v. Xie yes
 - vi. Amin yes
 - vii. Isufi yes
 - viii. Rozenblatt yes
- d. Vote 4 add "social media" to Article 10, Section 1 Communications Protocol; approved with 7 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention
 - i. Stowe yes
 - ii. Chan abstain
 - iii. Brugueras yes

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- iv. Jiang yes
- v. Xie yes
- vi. Amin yes
- vii. Isufi yes
- viii. Rozenblatt yes
- e. Vote 5 approve By-laws as amended; approved with 8 yes, 0 no
 - i. Stowe yes
 - ii. Chan yes
 - iii. Brugueras yes
 - iv. Jiang yes
 - v. Xie yes
 - vi. Amin yes
 - vii. Isufi yes
 - viii. Rozenblatt yes
- Budget vote to approve; approved with 8 yes, 0 no
 - a. Stowe yes
 - b. Chan yes
 - c. Brugueras yes
 - d. Jiang yes
 - e. Xie yes
 - Amin yes
 - Isufi yes
 - Rozenblatt yes

g. Public speaking -

a. Richard Connelly - American Debate League discussed the League's programs including some experience with District 20 schools (BSI for example); Connelly is interested in bringing more programming to District 20 and would like to connect with Superintendent Pretto;

III. Adjourn

a. Motion to adjourn-Steve Stowe, Second:

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- 1. All in favor
- **b.** Meeting adjourned at 10:10 PM

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Submitted by Steve Stowe, President