



COMMUNITY EDUCATION COUNCIL - DISTRICT 17

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Ms. Lafleur Cumberbatch, President
Ms. Takiya Swaby, 2nd Vice President
Ms. Erika Kendall, Recording Secretary
Mr. Duane Singh, Treasurer
Ms. Joanna Henry-Barrow, Member
Ms. Nicole Job, BP Appointee-President
Ms. Vanessa Moore, Member
Ms. Fanny Spencer, Borough President Appointee

Mr. Clarence Ellis, *Community Superintendent*

CALENDAR MEETING - MINUTES

Tuesday, March 20, 2018

6:30pm – 8:45pm

Public School 532

1025 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, NY 11213

Calendar Meeting:

Call to order – Agenda Item #1:

Meeting was called to order at 6:46pm by Ms. Cumberbatch, President immediately following the student performance.

Roll Call- Agenda Item #2:

Roll call was taken by Ms. Kendall, Recording Secretary

Members Present:

Lafleur Cumberbatch
Nicole Job
Erika Kendall
Vanessa Moore
Duane Singh (L)
Fanny Spencer (L)
Takiya Swaby

Superintendent Clarence Ellis

Members Absent:

Joanna Henry-Barrow (EA)

Quorum was established.

Welcome/Greetings – Agenda Item #3

The council welcomed everyone and introduced themselves. Principal Bowles gave greetings and welcomed everyone to PS 532. There was a performance by the student band to welcome all.

Election of Officers (1st Vice President) – Agenda Item #4

At the start there was no quorum and the council moved on to the next agenda item. When quorum was established, the floor was opened for nominations of 1st Vice President. Ms. Cumberbatch nominated Takiya Swaby. Ms. Swaby accepted. There were no other nominations.

Roll Call vote was taken:

Lafleur Cumberbatch	-	Yes
Nicole Job	-	Yes
Erika Kendall	-	Yes
Vanessa Moore	-	Yes
Duane Singh	-	Yes
Fanny Spencer	-	Yes
Takiya Swaby	-	Yes

7 - Yes 0 – No 0 – Abstain

Vote carried to elect Ms. Swaby as CEC 17 Vice President. Ms. Swaby announced her resignation from the position of 2nd VP to accept the position of Vice President.

Report of Community Superintendent: Mr. Clarence Ellis – Agenda Item #5:

Superintendent Ellis presented the District report. Mr. Ellis acknowledged all Department of Education staff.

Key points:

- *New Chancellor from Houston, Richard Carranza
- *District has made continuous academic progress with 14% increase in literacy and math scores
- *Working on public speaking skills for students with Attorney Keisha Alleyne, Esq.
- *Resource center ribbon cutting grand opening was held February 9th
 - Brooklyn Museum and Brooklyn Public Library Partnership
- *District Health Fair March 24th 2018
- * Conversation with Superintendent Ellis; April 26th, 5:30PM at Prospect Heights Campus
- *Superintendent Reports were distributed.

Report of District Family Leadership Coordinator: Philton Lewis-Thomas

Mr. Lewis-Thomas was unable to attend. CM Swaby read the report on behalf of Mr. Philton.

Presentations – Agenda Item #6

Fair Student Funding – Norlon Hamilton, NYC DOE Budget Director. Ricardo Duran assisted with questions

Key Points

2018-2019 School Budgets and Fair Student Funding

- *The FY 2019 DOE Budget is \$32.6 Billion
- *In FY 2018, NYS will provide NYC with \$1.6 Billion less than their Campaign for Fiscal Equity obligation.
- *The mayor has made significant investments in equity & excellence educational programs
- *The formula is strongly aligned to the framework for great schools

*2018-2019 Proposed Budget Weights

*Send questions and comments by April 24, 2018 to budgetpubliccomments@schools.nyc.gov or 212-374-6754

Questions were taken from the audience.

Safety in our Schools – Craig Edwards, Borough Safety Director

Key Points

*Resources for schools

- BRT Kit

*Resources for Parents online

- Register with Notify NYC

*Resources for parents, school based

*Stay informed

*First responders in schools

- 8 drills per school year and 4 soft lockdowns

- take attendance 3 times

- It takes 4 minutes for NYPD to report for a Hard Lockdown

*Local law 36 is the reason for Door Alarms

Questions were taken from the community

Quarterly Meeting with Presidents' Council – Agenda Item #7

The Vice President of Presidents' Council stated that they could not report because the VP is not included in the conversations. Secretary of Presidents' council asked all Presidents to stand and introduce themselves.

Unfinished/ New Business – Agenda Item #8

The council announced that the proposed changes for the Bylaws is to remove the position of 2nd Vice President and convert to the updated template. The changes will be voted on at the next scheduled Calendar meeting

Public Comment Session – Agenda #9:

Representative from Comptroller Stringer's Office shared with the community.

-celebrating women's history month

-auditing

-Community Action Centers (CAC) (Comptroller's version of 311)

Adjournment – Agenda Item #10

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Ms. Kendall at 8:43pm.

Ms. Swaby seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.

The council allowed PS 316 PTA President to speak and share concern about DPAC meeting, effective leadership, and PTA support.

Recorded and Submitted by: Ms. V. Walters, Administrative Assistant

Read and Approved: _____ April 11, 2018
Date