



# COMMUNITY EDUCATION COUNCIL - DISTRICT 17

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Mr. Clarence Ellis, *Community Superintendent*

## CALENDAR MEETING - MINUTES

*Tuesday, November 20, 2018*

*6:30pm – 8:45pm*

**Middle School 722**

**790 East New York Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11203**

### **Calendar Meeting:**

#### **Call to order – Agenda Item #1:**

Meeting was called to order at 6:59pm by Ms. Cumberbatch, President.

#### **Roll Call – Agenda Item #2:**

Roll call was taken by Ms. Kendall, Recording secretary.

#### **Members Present:**

Lafleur Cumberbatch  
Joanna Henry-Barrow (L)  
Erika Kendall  
Vanessa Moore  
Duane Singh  
Fanny Spencer (L)

Superintendent Ellis

#### **Members Absent:**

Nicole Job (EA)  
Takiya Swaby (EA)

**Quorum was established at 7:05pm.**

#### **Welcome/Greetings – Agenda Item #3**

There was a student performance from a 2<sup>nd</sup> grade student. Principal Sandusky gave greetings welcomed everyone to the building.

Ms. Cumberbatch invited Superintendent Ellis to present the Contracts for Excellence (C4E) presentation with the assistance of Ms. Norlon Hamilton.

#### **Presentations – Agenda Item #4**

##### Contracts for Excellence (C4E)

Key points:

- \*C4E overview
- \*C4E requirements
- \*State C4E Funding Breakdown 2018-19
  - Total: \$531million = \$183M unrestricted + \$248M restricted
- \*NYC's 2018-19 Preliminary C4E Plan
  - Discretionary allocations = \$211M (61%)
  - Targeted allocations = \$107M (31%)
  - Maintenance of effort = \$30M (9%)
- \*How C4E Dollars are spent
- \*Proposed discretionary spending CEC17\*
- \*18-19 C4E Plan: All funds by program strategy-citywide\*
  - Class size Reduction
  - Time on Task
  - Teacher and Principal Quality Initiatives
  - Middle & High School Restructuring
  - Full-Day Pre-k
  - Model Programs for ELLs
- \*Class size as an allowable activity during 2018

Public Comment: email [contractsforexcellence@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:contractsforexcellence@schools.nyc.gov)

Questions were taken.

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

Mr. Ellis presented some key points and introduced Ms. Lindsay to present Brooklyn Basics.

Key Points:

- \*C-30s have been completed for PS 191, 221, and 399
- \*Spelling Bee confirmed for January 17<sup>th</sup>, 6pm at 1224 Park Place
- \*District 17 Vision

Brooklyn Basics Initiatives

- \*Compelling facts
- \*Big difference in early caregiving & life experiences
- Quality of interactions matter just as much, if not more, than quantity
- \*The basics.org
- \*Caregiving build brains
- \*5 Principles

#### **Report of District Family Leadership Coordinator: Mr. Lewis-Thomas**

Key Points:

- The district hosted a parent coordinator workshop from the Office of compliance

- Self-Care workshop with the Department of Mental Health
- Title I workshop with FACE
- Two PA/PTA trainings held October 30<sup>th</sup>, November 1<sup>st</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>
- Women’s Symposium held on November 17<sup>th</sup>
- Clinical Day will be December 8<sup>th</sup> at the District office during the Community Feast
- District team training on December 4<sup>th</sup> morning session 9:30AM & evening 5:30PM

**Unfinished/ New Business – Agenda Item #6**

Council invited Senator Elect Zellnor Myrie and Assemblywoman Diana Richardson to address the community. Some topics spoke of:  
-Campaign for fiscal equity: money owed to schools  
-High eviction rates

**Public Comment Session – Agenda #7:**

A representative from Flatbush Tenant Coalition shared information with community. The outreach liaison for the office of adult & continuing education with DOE shared information about adult education free classes and the workforce Innovation Opportunity Act (WIOA). Parent leader from PS 316 asked several questions regarding, committees, student member, vacancies, website, possible charter co-locations and more. Dr. Lamb shared a grant writing opportunity with the district. Parent from PS 770 shared concerns in regards to capital planning requests and building lease issues. History teacher posed a question to Senator Elect Myrie about a bill stuck in legislation in reference to African American studies.

**Adjournment – Agenda Item #8**

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Ms. Kendall at 8:59pm.  
Ms. Moore seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.

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

**Read and Approved:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**