

COMMUNITY EDUCATION COUNCIL DISTRICT 28
Minutes of Business, Calendar & Annual Meeting of
[December 2, 2021]

ATTENDANCE

Member	Position	Attendance
Vijah Ramjattan	President	Present
Barbara Williams	1st Vice President	Present
Ted Chang	2nd Vice President	Present
Nathifa Lewis	Recording Secretary	Present
Lu Zhao	Treasurer	Present
Nancy Lugassy	Member	Present
Cassandra Alexander	Member	Present
Sheleeza Deen	Member	Present
Rajwinder Kaur	Member	Present
Elena Aminova	Member	Present

NON-MEMBER ATTENDANCE

Dr. Tammy Pate	Superintendent	Present
Bibi Matadin	FACE Liaison	Present

CALENDAR MEETING

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

Superintendent's Report

- Dr. Pate thanks everyone for the continued support of the district.

Presentations

- Presentation by Principal John Greggo, Russell Sage Middle School
- Four Resolutions were presented by members:
 - Proposed Resolution to Rescind the Elimination of the Gifted & Talented Program -Elena Aminova
 - Resolution Opposing the Removal of Geographic Priorities for Queens High Schools – Lu Zhao
 - Resolution for HS Placements for Queens Residents - Ted Chang
 - Resolution for Path Forward for gifted & talented – Ted Chang

Public Comment

- Student presented reasons that they feel the need for Geographic priority to remain
- Arguments were presented in favor of and against the resolutions on the floor with personal experiences and data to support indicated sides

Resolutions presented on the floor for adoption:

1st vote held on Elena Aminova's Proposed Resolution to Rescind the Elimination of the Gifted & Talented Program and Support Expansion of the Program, and Expanding Enrichment Opportunities For All Students **Yes 6, No 5 EXPUNGED BY ORDER OF COMMUNITY EDUCATION COUNCIL DISTRICT 28 ON JANUARY 6, 2022 (SIGNED ELECTRONICALLY BY NATHIFA LEWIS AS RECORDING SECRETARY)**

2nd vote held on Proposed Resolution to Rescind the Elimination of the Gifted & Talented Program and Support Expansion of the Program, and Expanding Enrichment Opportunities For All Students **Yes 5, No 5, Abstain 1** (Note: a vote on a motion to reconsider was not held prior to this 2nd vote)

Resolution Opposing the Removal of Geographic Priorities for Queens High Schools
10 in favor; **1** opposed; **0** abstentions

Resolution on Default HS Placements for Queens Residents
1 in favor; **9** opposed; **1** abstention

Resolution on the Path Forward for Gifted & Talented
1 in favor; **9** opposed; **1** abstention

Meeting Adjourned at 9:13 pm
BUSINESS MEETING

Meeting was called to order at 9:15 pm

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Nancy Lugassy	Member	Present
Cassandra Alexander	Member	Present
Sheleeza Deen	Member	Present
Rajwinder Kaur	Member	Present
Elena Aminova	Member	Present
Shila Akter	Member	Present

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- Safety Townhall set for January 11 discussed
- Resolution Vote discussion added to January Agenda
- New round of Administrative Assistant interviews to be conducted in the coming week

CEC 28 Liaisons to Other Groups

Members volunteered to liaison with the following other groups:

District Leadership Team- Vijah Ramjattan

President's Council- Barbara Williams

Panel for Educational Policy- Ted Chang, Sheleeza Deen

Education Council Consortium- Nathifa Lewis

Citywide Council on English Language Learners- Lu Zhao

Citywide Council on Special Education- Barbara Lewis

Citywide Council on High School- Nancy Lugassy, Cassandra Alexander, Rajwinder Kaur, Sheleeza Deen

Community Board 12- Nathifa Lewis, Vijah Ramjattan

Community Board 6- Barbara Williams, Lu Zhao

Community Board 9- Ted Chang, Rajwinder Kaur

After some discussion, draft minutes were postponed to the next business meeting.

There were no Voting items at the Business Meeting

Business Meeting Adjourned at [10:21 pm]

Respectfully Submitted by

Nathifa Lewis
Recording Secretary

APPROVED