

**COMMUNITY EDUCATION COUNCIL DISTRICT 28**  
**Calendar/Business Meeting Minutes**  
**March 3, 2022**

**ATTENDANCE**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
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
Sheleeza Deen	Member	Present
Rajwinder Kaur	Member	Present
Cassandra Alexander	Member	Present
Elena Aminova	Member	Present

**NON-MEMBER ATTENDANCE**

Dr. Tammy Pate	Superintendent	Present
Bibi Matadin	FACE Liaison	Present

**CALENDAR MEETING Minutes**

Meeting was called to order by President Vijah Ramjattan at 6:37pm  
 Roll call by Recording Secretary Nathifa Lewis and Quorum was met

- President Ramjattan opened the meeting, welcomed attendees, then asked for a moment of pause due to destruction and calamity around the world
- Councilmember Lyn Schulman gave her remarks and updates
- Superintendent Cynthia Schneider gave High School updates and spoke to the K 12 Vision
- Superintendent Pate gave greetings and spoke about the work in District 28– presentation was shared with the community
- Family Leadership Coordinator Sonia Rueda gave district updates
- Principal Nicholas Patrello of PS 121 presented
- Second Vice President Ted Chang presented Resolution on Funding Public Schools with Foundation Aid Not Charter Schools
- Treasurer Lu Zhao presented Resolution to Restore an Academically Rigorous Selection Process for Screened High School Programs

President Ramjattan made a motion to vote on the resolutions from the business meeting at the end of the calendar meeting after public comments  
 Motion second by Member Cassandra Alexander  
 Roll call by Recording Secretary Nathifa Lewis  
 Yes 9, No 0, Abstain 0

**Public Comment**

- The public commented on High School admission process

- Various Parents and Community representatives spoke both in favor of and against the two resolutions on the floor, including a request to table the resolution regarding Charter School Funding
- There was a request for parents to participate more actively at CEC meetings and sign up for public comment to bring their issues to the Council and the Public
- Continued concerns about traffic patterns and hazards near schools were raised and urged the CEC and district to help address them
- The issue of funding needs in the districts are not being fully met

Ted Chang made a motion to pass Resolution on Funding Public Schools with Foundation Aid Not Charter Schools seconded by Recording Secretary Nathifa Lewis  
Roll call by Recording Secretary Nathifa Lewis:  
5 in favor; 0 opposed; 5 abstentions – Motion did not pass

Treasurer Lu Zhao made a motion to pass Resolution to Restore an Academically Rigorous Selection Process for Screened High School Programs  
Roll call by Recording Secretary Nathifa Lewis:  
5 in favor; 3 opposed; 2 abstentions – Motion did not pass

#### **Meeting Adjourned at 8:54pm**

#### **BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting was called to order by President Vijah Ramjattan at 9:01pm  
Roll call by Recording Secretary Nathifa Lewis

#### **CEC Candidates were interviewed**

Commented [LN(1):

Motion was made by President Ramjattan to move into executive session deliberate on appointment of a candidate to the open CEC28 seat  
Seconded by Recording Secretary Nathifa Lewis  
Motion passed on a vote – 10 in favor; 0 opposed; 0 abstentions

Motion was made by Recording Secretary Nathifa Lewis to accept a candidate to be seated on the Council for the vacant seat  
Seconded by President Ramjattan  
The motion passed electing Simone Dornbach to the vacant seat  
In favor of Simone Dornbach- 7  
In favor of Elissa Brinn– 3

December and February Meeting Minutes were approved  
2021/2022 Budget was discussed and modified

Motion was made by Treasurer Lu Zhao to accept the modified budget  
Seconded by President Ramjattan  
Roll call by Recording Secretary Nathifa Lewis  
Motion passed on a vote – 9 in favor; 0 opposed; 0 abstentions

January Meeting Minutes were postponed to the next meeting

New and upcoming business

- April 5, 2022 principal breakfast
- Establishing a Resolution Committee added to next Business Meeting

**Business Meeting Adjourned at [ 10:34pm]**

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**Respectfully Adopted by**

Nathifa Lewis  
Recording Secretary

APPROVED