DISTRICT 3 COMMUNITY EDUCATION COUNCIL
Business & Special Calendar Meeting
DRAFT BUSINESS MINUTES
Wed. April 5, 2017
6:30 PM
Joan of Arc Complex Auditorium
154 W. 93rd St.
(Approved at the May 10, 2017 Business & Calendar Meeting by all Council members present)

❖ Meeting Called To Order - 6:34 P.M.

❖ Roll Call of Members:
Present: Kristen Berger, Manuel Casanova, Joe Fiordaliso, Daniel Katz, Lucas Liu, Dennis Morgan
Vincent Orgera, Kim Watkins. A quorum was reached (8)
Late: Noah Gotbaum 6:43p
Excused Absence: PJ Joshi

DOE Staff: Ilene Altschul, District 3 Superintendent

❖ Approval of Minutes
1. March 1, 2017 Business Meeting minutes was approved by all Council members present.

❖ President’s Report
1. There is a vacancy on the Council due to the resignation of 2nd VP Zoe Foundotos who has been elected to temporary seat on CCHS.
2. The CEC3 vacancy process pursuant to the bylaws says that vacancy must be filled within 60 days. President Fiordaliso will put forward member Manuel Casanova as 2nd VP. This will be transacted at the next calendar meeting.
3. Would like to start the Superintendent Evaluation earlier. (The AA will circulate the last 2 years Superintendent Evaluations to Council.)
4. Former CEC3 member Regent Nan Mead and Chancellor Bette Rosa stopped Success Charter renewal. CEC3 was germane in having the Regents take a closer look at this.
5. President Fiordaliso encouraged the next Council to undertake a review and rewrite of the Bylaws as it has been close to 6 years since they were revised.

❖ Superintendent’s Report
1. Harlem Summit- Thank you to the CEC and Kim for having the vision and putting together. It was very well received.
2. The Superintendent and her PLF have conducted a total of 59 school visits. They have 15 school visits remaining of which 5 is either a 3rd or 4th visit.
3. DJ returning April 10th – we look forward to having her back.
4. Next year opening G and T class in grade 3. The process is that student’s grades for 1st and 2nd grade will be reviewed. Any student with consistent level 3 and 4 grades will be
receive a letter indicating that they are eligible for the 3rd grade G and T class at M191. Parent will indicate if they are interested. If so, current grade 2 teacher will need to complete the application. Central will make the offers to the students and there will be a waitlist if more students are eligible and interested.

5. Waiting to hear back from the Central office regarding the timeline
6. Save the Dates: Science Fair April 22nd and Art Fair May 24th and 25th
7. State Testing Math May 2, 3, 4
8. Meeting at M191 on March 29th with PS 191 and PS 452 administration and Transition meeting at M452 on March 31st at 9:00 a.m. were both held. 2 tours have been held for PS 452 families at M191 building (April 1st and tonight)
9. M256 new name Lafayette Academy has been approved.
10. PreK offers will go out April 20th and families have until May 9th to accept and register. Second round opened on March 27th and is open until May 9th. Families will receive their offers in mid-June.
11. Rezoning Transfer Process closes on April 7th and families will receive notification early May.

❖ Old Business


❖ New Business

1. End of Year Event
   • Council should give thought to which leader to honor this year.
   • Would like to include West Prep Academy in some way. Member K Berger will reach out to Principal Carland Washington

❖ Committee Reports

1. Middle School Committee, K Berger, Chair reporting:
   • Middle School Committee meeting 3/21. They will be planning the Middle School Diversity Forum goals. Parents wanted to hear about integration in the city.

2. Multilingual Committee, L Liu, Chair reporting:
   • Met with Milady Baez on Monday to discuss Dual Language Funding. President Fiordaliso remarks that it was an opportunity to get the support of the Mayor and Chancellor.

3. Zoning Committee, K Watkins, Chair reporting:
   • The Harlem Schools Summit was last weekend and was a collaborative effort. It was kicked off by a play by Laundry City. Manhattan Borough President and Congressman Espaillat greeted attendees. There were four well attended workshops by approx. 100 adults. Childcare covered 50 children. The event ended with the Wadleigh Choir.
   • A summary is being prepared along with a survey.
   • City Council member Bill Perkins has expressed his desire to work with CEC3 and CEC5 in a collaborative effort.
   • April 14, 2018 will be the 2nd Annual Harlem Schools Summit.
   • There is a Zoning Committee meeting the 2nd week of May.

❖ Liaison Reports – none

❖ Adjournment – 7:29 P.M.