CEC3 Business Meeting
Wed., May 8, 2019
6:30 PM Business Meeting
Joan of Arc - 154 W. 93rd St., Auditorium

Business Meeting

(Approved at the June 5th 2019 Business Meeting by all Council present at the time of the motion to approve)

❖ Call to Order 6:32 PM

❖ Roll Call of Members  Kristen Berger, Daniel Katz, Lucus Liu, Jean Moreland, Sharmilee Ramudit,
Deirdre Garrett-Scott, Kim Watkins
Late: Genisha Metcalf 6:54p, Dennis Morgan 7:34p
Excused Absence: Mike McCarthy
DOE Staff: Ilene Altschul, D3 Superintendent

❖ Approval of Minutes
1. April 17, 2019 Business Meeting Minutes were approved by all Council present (7).

❖ President’s Report

   NY State Assembly Education Hearing Testimony – Council President is planning to attend and
   hopes to convey challenges of the diversity work CEC3 undertook given the differing opinions in
   the district and also said that D3 has a track record for making diversity a priority. Council member Liu’s
   request to speak at the NYS Education Hearing was denied. He feels that some of the stronger feelings of
   the community should be expressed, that the passed CEC3 High School Equity and Excellence Resolution
   left out strong feelings on both sides, going down the middle doesn’t do anyone service. The updated draft
   of the comments and testimony will be sent to council this evening.

     The President requested that committee chairs be more mindful of when other committee meetings
     are scheduled to avoid conflict of interests and maximize attendance.

❖ Superintendent’s Report

   • The District Equity Conference sign up went out for June 10th. Principals will sign up 6 people.
     DLT, CEC & elected officials also received. It did not include breakout sessions. Supt. Altschul
     reviewed proposed breakout sessions with the Council.
   • Principal Fellowships for Reimagining Conference were received by Principal Bailey MS 250,
     Principal Jelinek M.S. 247 & Principal Murphy P.S. 185.
   • June 13th & 14th - Phase II Integration work in Albany.
   • Model CEC permission slips were sent to middle schools to identify their students.
   • Superintendent Altschul and President Watkins met with Executive Superintendents and other
     Superintendents and CEC presidents. Focus was on discussing school support structure and
     conducting instructional rounds, i.e. PS/IS 76 and PS/IS 149.
   • Superintendent met with SCA & Facilities to review district projects: the temporary boiler outside
     of M145/West Prep has been removed.
   • Joan of Arc building will be closed for the summer.
   • Comprehensive Educational Planning Workshop, May 14th - The format is changing so all SLTs
     should be represented.
   • Arts Fair May 29th & 30th
   • June 10th - Middle School Articulation Workshop at P.S. 75
   • June 15 – Harlem Stroll will end at 2p at P.S. 185 where there will be a celebration.
Old Business

1. Transfer data from charter schools to D3 public schools cumulative data, after audited register
closed 2017-18 school year, was reviewed. 79 students, 28 of whom had IEPs, transferred into D3
after close of budget (Oct. 31). It was noted that different schools are taking a disproportionate
number of students. PS/IS 76 could be as high as 14, PS/IS 180 could be as high as 11. Council is
concerned that schools may hit caps. Current 2019 school data was unavailable. Councilmember
Liu will follow up.
2. KIPP Appeal response was received from the NYSED Commissioner’s office that it is under
consideration although they did not grant an injunction against KIPP middle school charter. The
Alliance for Quality Education has taken on the project and assigned a lawyer to review for a
possible law suit.

New Business

1. CEC3 Bylaws are being reviewed by Council member against the citywide template. CEC must
vote on draft Bylaw at May calendar meeting.
2. Strategy & Final Term Report is a new endeavor by CEC3 that will be sent to the community.
Comments have been solicited from Council. Committee chairs should summarize their work.
Council President will send reminder to submit.
3. Superintendent Evaluation will be composed by the Council President and Council Treasurer
according to the new template.

Liaison Reports

1. P.S. 76 – Supt. Altschul reported that she has been working with Principal DeBerry to meet their
target needs. Attendance has been a huge target; 49% of students are chronically absent. PS76
Liaison Metcalf said that the parent coordinator is reviewing coding e.g., lateness possibly marked
as absence.
2. Mott Hall II – Liaison Berger reported that the MHII principal has requested a moratorium on new
admits and transfers due to impact of merger between PS165 and MHI this year.
Supt Altschul said that many D3 schools are feeling that the Family Welcome Center is sending too
many students.

Committee Reports

1. Member Ramudit reported that District 5 is hosting a community conversation with charter school
leadership and she will attend. She is hoping D3 will possibly do the same at some point.
2. Equity and Excellence Co-Chairs Dennis Morgan and Genisha Metcalf requested all school liaisons
make sure their schools know about Title 1 PAC.
B. A date will be forthcoming for the last week in May for a follow-up report on the April 2019
Harlem Schools Summit.
C. Five District 3 schools were awarded participatory budgeting grants: 185, 76, FDA2 and
Wadleigh received tech grants; 180 received a grant for their hydroponics lab.
3. High School Admission, Chair Moreland reported there will be a meeting at Joan of Arc tomorrow
and four people from Office of Enrollment will be in attendance. They are unable to send anyone to
the High School Admission Workshop because the borough wide workshop has been moved to
June.
4. Middle School, Chair Berger reported the next committee meeting will be May 21 at P.S. 75 where
the diversity initiative and specialized admissions data will be reviewed. Middle School appeals are
due by June 10th.
5. Multilingual, Chair Liu reported that they are forming a Dual Language Working Group comprised
of people from different schools dual language programs to try to get more support from the DOE
and also have community outreach.

Adjournment 9:10 PM