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Community Education Council District 20

BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, March 20, 2019

P.S. 180 (5601 16th Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11204)

Meeting start time: 6:28 pm

Present:

Adele Doyle, Eugene Strupinsky, Artemis Lekakis, Inga Smolyar, Alice Licato, Iwen Chu, Genevieve Mammana,

Excused:

Sandy Chum-Wu, Kevin McNeil

Guests:

Karina Costantino, D20 Superintendent; Dianne Gounardes, CSA Representative

I. Call to Order: Adele Doyle

II. Roll Call: Alice Licato

III. Old Business

- a. April location: will ask J.H.S. 259, appoint Marielena Santiago from P.S. 62 as Principal

IV. New Business

- a. Town Hall Recap: Adele spoke with Kathleen Brannigan, from Chancellor Carranza's office, expressing our dissatisfaction with them
- She apologized, and asked how the council would like to be represented
 - Adele stated that schools are trending downward and the entire system is broken
 - We need to know their definition of diversity
- b. D20 is presenting at a symposium at Borough Hall hosted by Superintendent Michael Prayor
- Wants to know how D20 got to a position of good standing: Good teaching, parental and community support, scaffolding
 - SHSAT is a mayoral creation- De Blasio could remove it if he wanted
 1. Assembly Speaker Heastie wants to have hearings about test

- ii. Why can't they build more screened schools?
 - 1. Pre-school centers are full; they're working on moving preschools
- iii. Removal of Gifted and Talented programs causes children to not push themselves
 - 1. Should have specialized programs in all schools

c. Vote to move money

- i. Deadline has passed to move money from Website line to Member Reimbursements, There is enough money in Member Reimbursements to reimburse Eugene Strupinsky

d. Interview: CEC Applicant Sultana Yesmin

- i. Not interested in the position on CEC, was Informed that SLT might be better for her interests

V. Adjournment

- a. Meeting adjourned 6:58 pm**

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- a. Thanks Principal Williams and P.S. 180 PTA for hosting, recognized guests
- b. Chancellor's Town Hall Review
 - i. D 20 still fighting for representation at the city level
 - ii. Gave Facebook information and email to audience

VI. Superintendent's Report

Karina Costantino

- a. D20 recognized as one of 2 districts that has met all standards for students

b. Fair Student Funding

Marie Buro

- i. NYC provides most of the district's budget (\$18.3 B, 57%)
 - 1. Followed by NYS (\$11.9 B, 37%) and Federal Funding (\$2 B, 6%)
- ii. Funding Allocations
 - 1. Schools: \$17B (52%),
 - 2. Support Costs (Custodial, Facilities & Central Supports): \$6B (20%),
 - 3. Non-Instructional Costs (Food, Busing, & Building Payments): \$5B (15%),
 - 4. Non-District Schools (Charter, Non-Public, Contract Schools): \$4B, (13%)
- iii. Majority of Instructional costs are allocated directly to school budgets
 - 1. Funds are under responsibility of principals
 - 2. Principals and School Leadership Teams (SLT) create each school's Comprehensive Educational Plan (CEP) based on instructional needs and priorities
 - 3. Principals and SLTs create the budget
 - 4. Superintendents supervise the principal and approves the budget
- iv. Fair Student Funding is the primary source for most community school districts (\$10B 59%)
 - 1. Weighted pupil-funding model (pupil needs are weighted based on the cost of meeting the educational need)
- v. NYC provided with \$1.2B less than obligated under the Campaign for Fiscal Equity Ruling
 - 1. Additional funding was supposed to be phased in because NYS was not meeting requirements in funding public schools
 - 2. NYS walked away from this obligation during the recession
 - 3. Governor's proposed budget will leave the \$1.2B gap in FY2020
- vi. NYC has still made significant investments in educational programs
 - 1. \$800M invested since 2015 to raise Fair Student Funding
 - 2. Increase weights for English Language Learners
 - 3. Mayor has initiated a series of Equity and Excellence for All initiatives to build a pathway to success for all students
 - 4. Expanding 3-K for All into 12 Districts
- vii. School Budgeting Timeline
 - 1. February& March: DOE presents CECs with the proposed Fair Student Funding weights for the upcoming school year
 - 2. April: Panel for Educational Policy votes on the proposed Fair Student Funding weights
 - 3. Late Spring: DOE releases budget allocations to schools
 - 4. June: Principals and SLTs propose budgets for the coming year
 - 5. July: Superintendents certify alignment between school budgets and CEPs for the coming year

VII. Hearing for the Planned School Site at Nathans

a. Notice of Filing

- i. Public review open March 4, 2019 – April 18, 2019
- ii. After presenting at CEC's proposal goes to the Mayor

- b. Site has not been purchased yet, there is an agreement with the owner

VIII. Food and Nutritional Services

- a. New options for lunch include Meatless Mondays: examples include whole wheat pasta, marinara sauce with cheese, garlic bread, broccoli, Kosher meals, Hormone free
- b. Working with the Wellness in School Program

IX. Public Speaking

- a. No speakers

X. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned 8:21 pm

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