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Community Education Council District 20

BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, June 13, 2018

PS 176, The Ovington School, 1225 Bay Ridge Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11219

Meeting Start Time: 6:10 PM

Present:

Bob Lee, Adele Doyle, Alice Licato, Inga Smolyar, Irene Chu, Sandy Chum-Wu, Genevieve Mammana, Jana Taoube

Excused:

Artemis Lekakis, Eugene Strupinsky, Yesenia Placencia

I. Meeting called to order: Bob Lee, President

II. Old Business:

- President Bob Lee thanked CEC20 members for convening the special meeting re: SHSAT, and specifically Treasurer Inga Smolyar and Artemis Lekakis for drafting CEC20's resolution opposed to changing the admission standards to NYC Specialized High Schools.
- President Bob Lee mentioned a PS 506 parents' concern that the D20 President's Council President (as a DOE employee) stated opposition to the proposed changes to the SHS admission standards. President Bob Lee responded to the parents concern by clarifying that the PC President is a volunteer position and not an employee or representative of the DOE.

- AA position update - President Bob Lee is waiting on resumes from FACE, however a potential candidate, already in the DOE system, has been identified. President Bob Lee has been empowered to hire said candidate ASAP, should she accept the offer.

III. New Business:

- Next CEC meeting will be held on July 18th. Location TBA (most likely will be held at New Utrecht Library on 18th Ave and 86th Street.) Suggested agenda items by CEC20 members must be submitted to President Bob Lee by July 6th.
- PreK update, Dianne Gounardes, D20 Early Childhood Director- Thanked President Bob Lee for visiting the Early Childhood Center at 369 93rd Street and invited other CEC20 members to visit as well. PreK parents form PAC's (Parent Advisory Committees) instead of PTA's that serve for one year. D20 has the largest PreK population in NYC with 73 classes, second only to D24.
- Reassigned liaison schools to CEC20 members. Details as follows:

Bob Lee,	259	112	204	682
Adele Doyle,	971	160	201	506
Eugene Strupinsky,	180	187	192	105
Alice Licato,	176	69	186	164
Inga Smolyar,	748	223	205	
Irene Chu,	185	264	170	127
Sandy Chum-Wu,	104	686	247	220
Artemis Lekakis,	163	229	179	30
Genevieve Mammana,	200	503	310	102
Yesenia Placencia,	62	48	227	

V. Adjournment:

- Business Meeting adjourned at 7:01 pm

Submitted: Alice Licato
July 8th, 2018



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CALENDAR MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, June 13, 2018

PS 176, The Ovington School, 1225 Bay Ridge Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11219

Meeting Start Time: 7:23 PM

Present:

Bob Lee, Adele Doyle, Alice Licato, Inga Smolyar, Irene Chu, Sandy Chum-Wu, Genevieve Mammana, Jana Taoube

Excused:

Artemis Lekakis, Eugene Strupinsky, Yesenia Placencia

Guests:

William Chin, Family Leadership Coordinator; Vince D'Anjou, School Foods District 20 Supervisor; Dianne Gounardes, Early Childhood Director; Sylwia Jaswinski, Family Support Coordinator; Dr. Joseph O'Brien, Principal Lead Facilitator

I. Meeting called to order: Bob Lee, President

II. Roll Call: Alice Licato, Recording Secretary

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes, Alice Licato, Recording Secretary

- Motion to approve May 2018 meeting minutes. All in favor.
- Motion to approve SHSAT special meeting minutes. All in favor.

IV. President's Report:

- President Bob Lee thanks the PTA of PS 176 and Principal Culkin for hosting tonight's meeting. Also thanked PS 176 students for their performances.
- Discussed CEC20's recent SHSAT resolution with the audience. Copies made available and it has also been forwarded to elected officials, media and DOE. President Bob Lee encourages parents to email with relevant feedback or comments.
- Announcement made seeking ELL parent candidates for the vacant seat on CEC20. Applicants may inquire through the website email.

V. Superintendent' District Report:

- D20 Superintendent Karina Costantino invites audience to the upcoming Relay for Life Fundraiser to be held Saturday June 16th at Poly Prep. Last year Relay for Life raised over \$165,000 to help fight Cancer.
- Announced and presented Big Apple Teacher Awards and gifts to five (5) teachers in D20 from PS 179, PS 682, PS 170, IS 259 and PS 164.

VI. Farewell to CEC20 Student Member:

- CEC20 President Bob Lee and Principal Lead Facilitator, Dr. Joseph O'Brien introduce and thank CEC20 Student member, Jana Taoube for serving on CEC20. She speaks briefly of the work done by D20 HS Student Councils this past year, including creating video of HS students describing the transition from Middle School to High School. Also, an email account has been created for current HS students to answer questions directly from Middle School Students entering High School in September.

VII. PS 176 AP Appointments:

- Appointments of Assistant Principals Patricia Cataldo and Siobhan Funaro.

VIII. Public Speaking:

- Ms. Miller, Director of Community Affairs for Councilman Menchaca expresses the Councilman's opposition the Mayor's plan to change the admissions standards for SHS. Councilman Menchaca feels the plan is too abrupt and not considering the voice of his constituents.
- Representative from Councilman Brannan's office echoed the above remarks.
- Austin Prelli, UFT Rep, encourages us to contact our State Senators to ask they bring Bill 8301 to the floor for a vote. This bill would allow for school districts and unions to formulate their own systems of evaluation. Currently, New York State mandates that teacher evaluations be tied to scores on standardized tests.

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IX. PTA Appreciation Awards

- D20 PTA awards distributed by CEC20 President, Bob Lee; Vice President, Adele Doyle; and Council Member, Sandy Chum-Wu.

X. Adjournment:

- Next CEC20 meeting July 18th, location TBA.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm.

Submitted: Alice Licato
July 8th, 2018