

Chancellor's Parent Advisory Council

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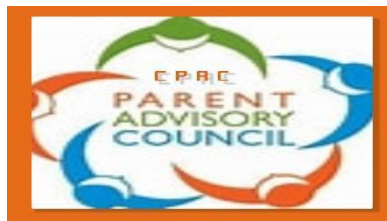
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Minutes: December 08, 2022

CPAC Virtual Monthly Meeting December 08, 2022

Meeting was held via Zoom and live streamed on YouTube. CPAC YouTube Channel
(<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCidrkvTelRgYjBs93Mmd7vQ>)

October 13th meeting link - <https://youtu.be/RWh6vKS2yf8>

Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 09:30 AM

CPAC's Meeting Procedures and Standing Rules were reviewed. Attendance sheet was placed in the chat.

Roll Call – Districts / Boroughs in Attendance:

D2, D3, D4, D5, D6, D7, D8, D10, D13, D16, D18, D20, D21, D22, D24, D25, D26, D27, D28, D29, D30, D31, D32, D75, Bronx HS, Brooklyn HS, Manhattan HS, Queens HS, and SIHS.

Review Minutes:

November minutes were tabled for next month meeting.

December theme was Reimagining the School Experience!

CPAC Business:

CPAC's resolution to NYS Legislature to Amend the OML to Allow SLTs the Same Flexibility as PA/PTAs to Meet In-Person, Hybrid or Virtual:

Adoption of the resolution:

D05 – Motion to approve the resolution

MHS – Seconded

Approved unanimously.

Working Groups / Task Force:

Most of the working groups are not meeting due to the DOE's busy schedule and reorganization but will resume.

A655 Working Group

Round Table Conversations

Equity Working Group

Citywide CEP Template – DCEP template is finalized and all HS Superintendents must create their own DCEP for their high schools.

Digital Learning & Dyslexia Task Force

CCEC Elections Working Group: There is a timeline for the CCEC elections and everything will start in January. D5 will give more updates at the next month CPAC meeting.

CPAC Updates:

CPAC's Committees (all 8) to provide their tentative meeting schedules. Members are encouraged to join committees. Sign up forms are on CPAC's website. The schedules will be shared once it submitted by the committees' chairs. CPAC's committees are as follows:

1. Capacity Building and Support
2. Communications
3. High School
4. Legislative
5. Multilingual Language Learners
6. Special Education
7. Title I
8. Wellness (Health & Safety).

Reminder! Check the website for news, info, events, and resources.

Title I C.O.P.S.

Rescheduled for February.

Office of School Enrollment: Sarah Kleinhandler and Matt Brogini (Exec Dir of Middle and HS Admissions) – What it means to be on the waitlist?

- Middle and HS applications closed on December 5th. Friday December 9 is last day for students to upload documents for screened programs. Launched kindergarten and gifted and talented combined application yesterday.
- Once offers released, students are added to waitlists higher than their offer automatically. In addition, they can add their themselves to any waitlists for any program they are eligible to apply. If seats open, families have 7 days to respond. Waitlists open after offers are released and close after school year begins in the fall.
- *New*: We will provide information about number of offers to middle and high school programs to give more context to families' waitlist positions.

FACE Updates:

Dr. Cristina Melendez, Executive Director of FACE cmelendez15@schools.nyc.gov

Jesse Mojica, Senior Director of FACE jmojica@schools.nyc.gov

- Started school visits. Visited hospital schools and 30 schools across NYC to support K-12 curriculum. Thinking of how to support the parents in those spaces.
- Will be visiting detention centers, D79 schools.
- Ongoing professional developments: one was NYCSA for parent coordinators, FSCs and FLCs and another one on A655 and SLT bylaws, Town hall for D6 coming up, Another one on Cultivating Relationships in the Community and another on SPLCI. Visiting schools. A training was held on budgets for CECs. A Special Education Advisory Committee was formed and as soon as the form is translated, then it will be sent out and then everyone can sign up to be a part of it . Some conversations on parent leadership DOE emails and right now FACE is in a “pause” mode where they are looking to get more feedback from DIIT team and those affected by this decision before moving forward. Something may be coming but further engagement will happen before to see whether a change will or will not happen.

NY State Board of Regents: Chancellor Lester Young, Deputy Commissioner for P-12 Operations Jason Harmon, Assistant Commissioner for Office of Assessment, Zach

Warner:

Discussion held on Assessments, led by Chancellor Young. Discussed:

- NYC Blue Ribbon Commission on Graduation Measures

Making sure every student has access to high quality education that leads to diploma and what does that diploma mean. Make sure they have knowledge, skills and dispositions to be successful in next level, whatever that may be (ex: college, military, career, etc.)

- Performance Based Learning and Assessment Networks (PLAN) Pilot

PLAN) - purpose is formulating a Statewide assessment strategy for more meaningful and deeper learning.

- State Aid/Funding Equity

Funding strategy that addresses the issues of equity across New York State

Regents Exams 2023- all titles will be administered in June 2023, no exemptions and students still eligible for special appeal through August 2023.

New Regents Exams in Science in June 2025 and June 2026. No Grade 4 Science Test this year because they will test as 5th graders in 2024. New US History and Government exam in June.

Chancellor David C. Banks:

Engagement with the Chancellor was a discussion on three points highlighted by the co-chairs:

1. Pillar 4: What engagement means to central and to CPAC? We want CPAC and the various parent groups in NYC to be included on working groups. We want to be always at the tables (tasks forces and working groups). We are elected to represent all students and families, and so we ask to be at the tables. We should backfill the spots for working groups with NYC DOE parent leaders before we put anyone else because we have our boots to the ground.
2. Success Academy being pushed into school buildings with collocation of 3 or more schools, and even collocation with a District 75 school already in the building. In accordance with Pillar #1, Reimagination is supposed to be for the better, which is not being accomplished when schools are forced to share cafeteria, afterschool, auditorium, etc. yet with another school. It restricts resources and limits the schools already in the building from expanding or creating more opportunities for their

students that they are already serving. Please listen to community about their concerns and opposition to the co-location.

3. ACT:

- Remind the Chancellor about his commitment on ACT- Accountability, Communications, and Transparency.
- We have needed a two way communication system and though we are thankful for GAMMA, we want to work out the kinks with you.

Chancellor Banks: I heard it all and I will be back in touch with you. I appreciate all of the concerns, wish everyone a Happy Holidays and there will be a response.

Let's Talk School Foods & Enhanced Cafeterias – Office of Food & Nutrition Services (OFNS) – Nelson Quiles and Community Food Advocates (CFA) – Abbie Watts and Ana Lilia Araiza:

OFNS:

- Provided an overview of program, nutritional meal requirements, OFMS food standards and menu accommodations.
- Asked for feedback and said that he will incorporate the feedback into students' dining experience. There are 26 menus, 1800 schools are serviced.
- All menus are student tested and approved. Need 65 percent approval rate to be added to menu. Everything is baked and they follow other OFMS food standards.
- They are hiring food service workers currently.

CFA:

Advocate for high impact public policy change that ensures all New Yorker have access to healthy affordable and plentiful and culturally appropriate foods.

- Since 2017, DOE has redesigned 46 cafeterias, serving 72,000 middle and high school students.
- Food court style setting is now available
- Redesign can be completed over a weekend and costs around \$500K per cafeteria (it's a capital project)
- Upon redesign, first 15 high school enhanced cafeterias serving 47 schools, experienced a 35% increase in lunch participation.
- If every high school cafeteria in NYC is enhanced, then 30,000 more students would participate daily.
- 150 more cafeterias are in works because Lunch 4 Learning coalition secured \$75M in capital funds
- Youth Advocates are in every borough except for the Bronx, they are learning to understand school food including policy and the operations

Happy Holidays Wishes to All!

D08- Motion to adjourn the meeting

D03- Second the motion.

Meeting adjourned 12:34 PM.

The next Chancellor's Parent Advisory Council Virtual Monthly Meeting is Thursday, January 12, 2023.

Minutes submitted respectively by Angela Torres