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Chancellor's Parent Advisory Council

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Minutes: January 12, 2023

CPAC Virtual Monthly Meeting

January 12, 2023 Meeting was held via Zoom and live streamed on YouTube. CPAC YouTube Channel (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCidrkVTelRgYjBs93Mmd7vQ) January 12th meeting link - https://www.youtube.com/live/W2_mUO58Q40?feature=share

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, D12, D13, D14, D17, D18, D20, D21, D22, D23, D24, D25, D26, D27, D28, D29, D30, D31, D32, D75, Bronx HS, Brooklyn HS, Manhattan HS, Queens HS, and SIHS.

Review Minutes:

Adoption of November Meeting Minutes -

D03 - Motion to Adopt November 10, 2022 minutes.D28 - Second the Motion to Adopt November's minutes.Minutes Adopted.

Adoption of December Meeting Minutes -

D75 - Motion to Adopt December 08, 2022 minutes. MHS - Second the Motion to Adopt December's minutes. Minutes Adopted.

January's theme: New Beginnings / Reflections / Refocus!

CPAC Business:

Approval of the Position Letter Improving the Adult Education Website –

D23 - Motion to Approve Letter Improving the Adult Education Website January 12, 2023D02 - Second the Motion.Letter Improving the Adult Education Website was approved unanimously.

Presidents' Councils:

Presidents' Councils primary function is to support their PA/PTAs in partnership with their FLC.

Interim Financial Report:

Remind your PA/PTAs that the Interim Financial Report (July 1st 2022 to January 15th 2023) are due January 31st (filed at the principal's office). The same applies to Presidents' Councils with bank accounts but the report is filed with the superintendent's office. This a perfect opportunity to a PD regarding financials and the interim report.

2023 CCEC Elections:

CCEC elections are here again. There are three stages of the campaign:

- 1. Learn! Inform what are education councils (another pathway of parent leadership) and why there are important. Multiple learning sessions were and continue to be held in various languages.
- 2. Run! Applications opened Jan. 9th and will close Feb. 13th. Encourage parents to run for an education seat.
- 3. Vote! Voting starts April 21st to May 9th. Push every family to vote for their representative(s) on Education Council seats.

Please note you need your NYC Student Account (NYCSA) to apply and vote!

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

<u>Citywide CEP Template</u> – Sharon Rencher was in attendance to give a presentation on the DCEP template. <u>Digital Learning & Dyslexia Task Force</u>

<u>CCEC Elections Working Group</u>: The 2023 CCEC election guide, 2023 CCEC Candidate Forum Schedules, and 2023 CCEC Toolkit was given to CPAC. CPAC is to give feedback on the toolkit.

CPAC Updates:

CPAC Committees: Meeting Schedules / Dates:

- 1. Capacity Building & Support 1/23 @ 12:30 PM
- 2. Communications -01/17 @ 10 AM
- 3. High School 1/06, 02/03, 03/03, 04/07, 05/05, 06/02 @ 2 PM

- 4. Legislative -01/23 @ 4 PM
- 5. Multilingual Language Learners (Bilingual/English Language Learners) ?
- 6. Special Education ?
- 7. Title I 01/24, 03/21 @ 11 AM
- 8. Wellness (Health & Safety) -?

Reminder! Check the website for news, info, events, resources, and sign-up for CPAC's committees.

DC of Learning and Teaching, Carolyne Quintana

- A quick overview of what the Learning and Teaching of initiatives and programs that has been launched.
- Developing a system that addresses the literacy needs of all students not just reading but establishing a strong literacy foundation with the skills of reading, writing, speaking and listening.
- Opened the dyslexia program in four schools in districts 5,15, and 7 with print-based disabilities. Looking to expand the programs across the boroughs and districts next school year in addition to a Standalone School. Creating a model which will include elementary, middle school and high schools.
- Intensive interventions using screeners and data.
- High quality curriculum which allows us to dig deeply into how to teach reading and make sure students have those foundational skills.
- Looking into how we can support children with dyslexia that speaks Spanish.
- Always in our forefront are students with disabilities and English Language Learners.
- To create a more inclusive school system as a whole; create environments where our children can go to their local community school and have the services they need.
- Working with FACE to include parents into the work.

DCEP Template – Sharon Rencher the Senior Advisor for State / Federal Education Policy:

- Overview of Revised 2022-23 District Comprehensive Education Plan (DCEP) Template.
- Stakeholder Engagement
- DCEP Development Process
- Timeline for DCEP Submission and Review

FACE Updates:

Dr. Cristina Melendez, Executive Director of FACE <u>cmelendez15@schools.nyc.gov</u> Jesse Mojica, Senior Director of FACE <u>jmojica@schools.nyc.gov</u>

- The hit the ground running with CCEC Elections campaign on January 9th 2023 Citywide Community Education Councils (CCEC) applications open. Learning Sessions and campaigns are continuing to happen.
- FACE is going to Presidents' Councils, CCECs, PA/PTAs to give presentations to spread the word and educate.
- Also, sending communications to Family Leadership Coordinators (FLCs), Parent Coordinators (PCs), and principals to share information to their schools.
- Committed to ensuring that Family Leadership Coordinators and Parent Coordinators continually are supported, trained, and kept informed to support and partner with Presidents' Councils and PA/PTAs.
- Ensuring at the school and district levels resetting the passwords, activating the email accounts, and any tech issues regarding the parent DOE emails, the Family Leadership Coordinators (FLCs) and Parent Coordinators (PCs) will be trained and given assess for a speedier turnaround time.
- Answer and took notes on further questions and concerns to provide answers later.

Chancellor David C. Banks:

Parent Engagement:

- This past Monday, announced the kick off of the Citywide Community Education Council Elections. Promoting the fact that these councils are vital opportunities for our families to use their voices and have a direct impact on or students education.
- Parent and families having greater voice in or schools is important.
- For the first time, families who have a child in a D75 school or program can vote for a D75 representative to sit on each of the 32 CEC.
- Encouraged all eligible parents to apply and all to spread the word. In light of pillar number four, without parent engagement and family and community engagement, the school system can never be all that it is supposed to be.
- Acknowledge CPAC's letter regarding D79 schools and the suggestion on how the DOE can improve access to adult education services including revamping the DOE web page to make information more accessible. We've been making significant changes to website and need CPAC help to continue the improvements.
- Today, the Mayor will be making his announcement about the preliminary budget. NYC public schools are looking forward to continuing collaborate with the Mayor's office as well as the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) on next year's budget. The Chancellor expects that we all pay close attention between the negotiations between the city council and the mayor. The announcement will be a subject to much change and that's why parents have to be involved and making sure your voices are heard around the budget process and the kinds of things we want to see in our schools.

<u>Proposal to Create a Commission to Study and Replace Foundation Aid – Nan Eileen</u> <u>Mead:</u>

<u>The Center for Educational Equity at Teachers College</u> is a policy and research center that works to guarantee every child a meaningful educational opportunity to graduate from high school prepared for college, careers and engaged civic participation. They pursue foundational change by:

- Using legal strategies
- Academic research
- Collective advocacy

They strengthen educational rights by promoting:

- Effective court orders
- Strong policies
- Improved investment in schooling
- Informed stakeholders

They believe that all schools should be well-equipped to meet the needs of their students, especially in underserved communities.

Discussion about Foundation Aid and what we would like to change and or add to the current formula.

Who would sit on the Commission to Study and Replace Foundation Aid?

- 15 members
- Appointees split between:
 - The Governor
 - Legislative leadership

Board of Regents and State Education Department

- Parents
- Advocates
- Teachers

- Principals
- Superintendents
- School Business Officials
- Professors
- Experts serving students with disabilities, homeless students, and English Language Learners

D02 - Motion to adjourn the meeting. MHS - Second the motion.

Meeting adjourned 12:33 PM.

The next Chancellor's Parent Advisory Council Virtual Monthly Meeting is Thursday, February 09, 2023.