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# Chancellor's Parent Advisory Council

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#### **CPAC Parent Advisory Council Board**

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Minutes: June 08, 2023

## **CPAC Virtual Monthly Meeting**

June 08, 2023 Meeting was held via Zoom and live streamed on YouTube. CPAC YouTube Channel (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCidrkVTelRgYjBs93Mmd7vQ) June 08<sup>th</sup> meeting link: https://youtube.com/live/4kmZ4Ll7XgI

#### Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 09:30 AM

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

Roll Call – Districts / Boroughs in Attendance:

D4, D5, D6, D8, D9, D10, D12, D13, D15, D17, D20, D21, D22, D26, D28, D29, D75, Bronx HS, Manhattan HS, and Queens HS.

#### **<u>Review Minutes</u>**:

Adoption of May 9<sup>th's</sup> Special Bylaws Meeting Minutes –

D13 - Motion to Adopt May 09, 2023 minutes.D06 - Second the Motion to Adopt May 9<sup>th</sup>'s minutes.Minutes Adopted.

### **Review Minutes:**

Adoption of May 11's Meeting Minutes – D13 - Motion to Adopt May 11, 2023 minutes. D05 - Second the Motion to Adopt May 11's minutes. Minutes Adopted.

## June's theme: Spring Elections & End of Year Events!

## **CPAC Business:**

#### Announcements:

- 1. June Primary Election
- 2. The People's Money: Phase
- 3. Voting Toolkit
- 4. Title I PAC Elections a reminder from CPAC's Title I Committee.
- A reminder that early voting will be taking place from June 17th to June 25th with election day on Tuesday, June 27th.

For more information and to find out your poll site, please visit: <u>https://www.nycvotes.org/how-to-vote/early-voting/</u>

Also: In September 2022, the NYC Civic Engagement Commission (CEC) launched The People's Money – NYC's first-ever citywide participatory budgeting process! All New Yorkers age 11 and up, regardless of immigration status, will be able to decide how to spend \$5 million of Mayoral expense funding.

They have entered Phase 3 of The People's Money - Voting. Folks have until Sunday, June 25th, to fund projects in their borough and/or neighborhood online or by paper ballot. Residents living in any one of the five boroughs will be able to vote on a ballot for that borough. Residents living in one of 33 equity neighborhoods will also be able to vote on a ballot for their neighborhood.

For more information please visit:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1yjGh3foMB71jc7bjRRtBxhvII35lGe\_TKscBcwyCKGw/edit In order to vote for a project, please visit: https://cecpb.decision21.org/the-peoples-money-2023

#### - Title I Committee:

Reminder! Elections are now being conducted for Title I PACs in June.

## - Capacity Building Committee:

Parent Leader PDs / Trainings

1. Coordinate w/ parent leaders in each borough to coordinate and collaborate for training and professional development for all parent leaders within the borough which in turn will establish stronger partnerships, engagement, communication, and empowerment with FLCs and FSCs.

2. Establish a Boroughwide and Citywide Calendars for the entire SY for PDS; calendar to be released in September of each year.

#### Working Groups / Task Force:

<u>A655 Working Group –</u> Resumed but no meetings since resuming. <u>Round Table Conversations</u> -? <u>Equity Working Group</u> -? <u>Citywide CEP Template and iPlan</u> – No more meetings for this SY. <u>Digital Learning & Dyslexia Task Force</u> -? <u>CCEC Elections Working Group:</u> Waiting for the 2023 – 2025 CCEC Elections results. <u>Small Class Size Task Force</u>: Being Finalized and had an initial meeting. <u>Special Education Advisory Council</u>: Meetings are being held and the taskforce is divided into smaller groups. Information, materials, resources, etc. can be found here: <u>Boldly Reimagining Special Education (nyc.gov)</u>

Members of the Advisory Council ("Advisors") will:

- Support the design of a long-term vision for special education in New York City.
- Generate recommendations to improve special education.
- Collect information on student and family experiences to inform planning.
- Build awareness of special education programs and services.

Advisory Council Structure Advisors may also serve on one of four Sub-councils (SCs), one for each of the following areas:

• Integration and Interdependence – Advise NYCPS on opportunities to improve access to inclusive opportunities that promote interdependence amongst students.

• Scale and Sustain Programs that Work - Advise NYCPS on scaling and sustaining effective programs for students with IEPs

• Process and Policy - Advise NYCPS on strategies to reduce the need for Due Process Complaints and to improve legal processes and policies in services of students and families

• Engagement and Empowerment - Advise NYCPS on effectively attracting and retaining students with disabilities and their families; advise NYCPS on spreading the word about existing offerings; support overall stakeholder engagement while boldly reimagining Special Education

#### CPAC Updates:

CPAC Committees: Meeting Schedules / Dates:

- 1. Capacity Building & Support  $-1^{st}$  Tuesdays of the month @ 11:30 AM (was 6/6)
- 2. Communications  $-1^{st}$  Tuesdays of the month @ 10 AM (was 6/6)
- 3. High School 06/02 @ 2 PM (1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the Month)
- 4. Legislative May 16<sup>th</sup> @ 3 PM (last meeting for the SY)
- Multilingual Language Learners (Bilingual/English Language Learners) 05/31 & 06/19 @ 4 PM
- 6. Special Education Last meeting was Friday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 4:30 PM
- 7. Title I Held May 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 11 AM (last meeting for the school year)
- Wellness (Health & Safety) Second Wednesdays of the month @ 10:30 AM (6/14)

Reminder! Check the website for news, info, events, resources, and sign-up for CPAC's committees. *The Special Education Committee will have two June meetings; on June 16<sup>th</sup> and the 30<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 – 6 PM.* 

## FACE Updates:

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

- > FACE held their Resource Fair for families.
- > 2023 CCEC Elections results should be out mid-June.
- June Transfer of Records:
  - this vital and must occur to keep continuity and start of the new school year right
  - do not close bank accounts; go and update the signatories on the account! The bank account do not belong to individuals but to the PA/PTA.

## **INCLUDEnyc – Ruth DiRoma:**

Senior Family Educator | INCLUDEnyc RRS- School Age - FACE Family and Community Engagement Center

Love, equity, and access for young people with disabilities.

- INCLUDEnyc is the Early Childhood and School Age Family and Community Engagement Center (FACE) for all boroughs in NYC. We are the leading source of training and information for young people ages 0-26 with known or suspected disabilities, their parents, and the professionals who support them. Founded in 1983, INCLUDEnyc believes every young person should be fully included in school, in the workforce, in the community—and should have access to resources, services, and supports to succeed.
- ➢ Helpline
- > Workshops
- Family Engagement and Youth Programs
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- > Online Resources:
  - Special Education
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  - Advocacy
  - Working and Adult Life
  - Recreation and Social

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## School Leadership:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Deputy Chancellor Dan Weisberg was not able to attend.
- Interim Acting Deputy Chancellor of School Leadership Danika was unable to attend.

## Mosaic Curriculum & Black American Studies

➢ Rescheduled for the Fall.

## NYC Chancellor David C. Banks:

Both Chancellor Banks and DC of FACE Kenita Llyod were not able attend because they were dealing with the air quality crisis (Air Quality Warning Alert for NYC) that arose from the Canadian fires. Executive Director of FACE Dr. Cristina Melendez fill-in their absence.

- CPAC members asked that the Chancellor make a quick decision regarding tomorrow (Friday, June 9<sup>th</sup>) whether school buildings will be open or closed and End-of the-Year schools' activities and events for June 9<sup>th</sup> due to the poor air quality that is affecting the city.
- > Again, disappointed the Chancellor did not show up at CPAC's scheduled monthly meeting.
- > Comments, concerns, questions will be brought back to the Chancellor and his team.

## NYS Assemblyman Michael Benedetto:

- Chair of Committee on Education
  - > Updates:
    - Fully funding Foundation Aid
    - NYS bills on Diwali Holiday and Lunar New Year
    - Discussions on evaluating teachers; APPR bill; there has been negotiation appreciations with

NYS United Teaches and NYC UFT.

- Allocating monies to the mental well-being of our children
- Use funding to improve student outcomes in an effective way

#### **Citywide Participatory Budgeting Vote – NYC CEC Director Wendy Trull**

Your money, your community, your vote.

Vote for projects online by June 25 on.nyc.gov/pb

- About the Civic Engagement Commission:
  - Voters established the NYC Civic Engagement Commission (CEC) through a November 2018 ballot initiative that revised the NYC Charter, our city's constitution.
  - The CEC is the first democratically elected commission responsible for restoring civic trust and strengthening democracy by promoting inclusive civic participation for all New Yorkers.
  - Areas of Focus:
    - Citywide Participatory Budgeting
    - Poll Site Language Assistance Program
    - Democracy NYC
    - Community Boards
    - Community Partnerships & Education
- About Citywide Participatory Budgeting:
  - PB is a democratic process in which community members decide how to spend part of a public budget.
  - PB has been run on a NYC City Council level since 2011 and is known as PBNYC.
  - This year marks the first time PB has been run citywide by the CEC, a process called *The People's Money*!
  - Phase 2: Project Evaluation
- > Phase 3: Voting:
  - Dates

May 10th - June 25th

- Eligibility

You are 11 or older You reside in NYC

#### - Ballots

You will vote on the ballot for the **borough** you live in.

If you live in one of the 33 **equity neighborhoods**, you will also be able to vote on a ballot for your neighborhood.

- Vote by Paper Ballot

Voting in-person is also easy. See where you can vote below starting May 10th. Visit a vote site in your neighborhood: <u>on.nyc.gov/pbvotesites</u> Visit us at one of our pop-up vote events: <u>on.nyc.gov/pbvoteevents</u>

D08 - Motion to adjourn the meeting. BxHS - Second the motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned 11:46 PM.

## The next Chancellor's Parent Advisory Council Virtual Monthly Meeting is Thursday, August 10, 2023 at 10:00 AM.