



## ***Community Education Council (CEC) District 8 Official Meeting Minutes***

### **Elected Officers:**

Vacant – President

Vacant – 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

Austin Rodriguez – 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

Vacant - Secretary [Crystal Rodriguez, assigned Council notetaker for 5/15/2024 meeting]

Wanda Balines - D75 representative/Treasurer

**Meeting Date:** May 15th, 2024

**Meeting Location:** MS 424(BAMM) 730 Bryant Ave

**Virtual Link:** No

**Meeting Purpose:** Monthly Calendar Meeting/ Monthly Business Meeting

### **Monthly Meeting Quorum Attendance:**

*Per the Community Education Council (CEC8) Bylaws, FACE Guidelines and ..., quorum is established by ½ the council at large plus (1) member for a total of (7). Quorum must be met in-person at the designated meeting location. Remote attendance is allowed as described in FACE Guidelines and per CEC8 ByLaws, Article XX, Section XX*

### **Councilmember Attendance:**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Present</u></b>	<b><u>Remote</u></b>	<b><u>Absent</u></b>	<b><u>Excused</u></b>
Wanda Balines	X			
Latoya Coleman	X			
Carmen Feliciano				X
Rosalia Fontenez	X			
Elizabeth Garcia	X			
Austin Rodriguez	X			
Crystal Rodriguez	X			
Aurora Ronda	X			
Jasmine Ruiz	X			
LaTicia Thompson	X			
Vacant – ELL Seat	X			
Vacant – Councilmember				
Vacant – Student Member				
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**6:05pm-** Council interviewed applicant #3 Rosalia Fontanez.

**6:12pm-** Council deliberates with Trustees on whether or not there has to be an executive session.

**6:13-** Council votes on whether they would go into executive session with trustees.  
Motion did not pass

**6:15pm-** Council voted on whether they would go into executive session or not. Motion did not pass

**6:17pm-** Council begins to vote on Vacancy Candidates. Beginning with Rosalia Fontanez. Council Member Ronda, stated that she hadn't seen the applicants statement. Council Member Garcia, stated that she also hadn't seen it and requested that they see the public profile before voting.

**6:20pm-** CM Fontanez, Seated by unanimous vote.

**6:22pm-** Council is informed that although Council Member Feliciano was not present. The Council would be able to vote on her application.

**6:23pm-** Council waits for CM Fontanez to be sworn in to be seated before the Council votes on the next applicant .

**6:26pm-** CM Fontanez was sworn in and seated.

**6:30pm-** Council discussed whether or not Jasmine Ruiz had to be interviewed for a third time.

**6:32pm-** CM Thompson Motioned to skip interviewing again and go straight to roll call vote for Ms. Ruiz since she has been interviewed multiple times, attended the forum during initial CEC election season and received votes from district parents. Motion Seconded by Treasurer Balines.

**6:35pm-** Council Votes on Jasmine Ruiz.

Ronda-Abstained  
(Because she "won't be threatened for her vote")

Coleman-Yes

Garcia-No

A.Rodriguez-Yes

Thompson- Yes

C.Rodriguez- Yes

Fontanez- Yes

4 Trustees-Yes

**6:40 pm-** Council waits for CM Ruiz to be sworn in and seated to vote on final candidate, Carmen Feliciano

**6:43 pm-** Unanimous vote for CM Feliciano to be seated. CM Feliciano was not present as she was in Virginia.

**6:45 pm-** VP2 A. Rodriguez was going into the next order of business, Elections of officers. CM C.Rodriguez, suggested that we hold off on votes until newly seated CM Feliciano is present to participate in voting.

Council agreed that it wouldn't make sense to have elections in June, where elected officers would only sit for that meeting being that Annual elections are in July. Motion made by CM Thompson to table elections for officers until the July annual meeting. Seconded by VP2 A.Rodriguez.

Motion passed by unanimous vote.

**6:48 pm-** VP2 A. Rodriguez moved on to the next order of business, Resolutions. Resolutions are not in final form. VP2 A. Rodriguez makes a motion to table resolutions to the next meeting. CM Thompson Seconded. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

**6:51 pm-** CM Rodriguez was assigned note taker and relieved VP2 A. Rodriguez of this duty.

**6:53pm-7:18pm-** Superintendent Joynt began her State of the District report

- A-831 & A-832 (Bullying, Discrimination and Sexual Harassment reports)[numbers no longer reported individually, all numbers combined] as of May 8th, 2024 CY PMI ( Reports Made to Date) 762, CY Violations (Reports Founded to Date) 238. 24 were founded since April's update.
- NYC Reads and HMM PD's for Teachers
- Instructional Leadership
- Science Expo 5/22/2024 @192 4:30 pm-6:30 pm
- 41st Precinct Anti-Violence walk on Hunts Point @9am May 21st or 29th ?
- Anti-Gun Violence Peace Walk June 12th @182 from 9am-10:30pm
- Anti-Gun Violence Peace Walk June 13th @ 192

**7:19pm-**CM Coleman informed the council that Girls Prep Charter will be vacating their Co-located site @ 301 and will be moving into 302 campus. There would be a hearing on May 21st via Zoom. She will share info with all members via email.

**7:08pm-** Treasurer Balines informed the Council that the Bronx Parade will be taking place on May 19th, 2024 beginning on Hull Ave & Moshulu parkway. She will be marching with District 75 and would like to invite District 8.

**7:22pm-** CM Thompson introduces 333XLAD Dean of School Culture Mr. Blake. He announced that he and some of the students from 333 will be walking in the parade and the children will be performing a step routine.

**7:29pm-** Ms. Spencer from Sepulveda's office announced a Work force event will be held on Friday, May 17th, 2024 @ 489 E 169th street.

**7:35pm-** Ms. Vargon from OFNS announced that there are openings for kitchen staff. The hiring hall is located in Long Island City.

Certain schools have a share table where unwanted food can be placed on this table and all food on the table will be donated to families in need within the school community.

There will be a taste testing @ 123 on May 23rd, 2024 during their lunch period. They will be taste testing Butternut squash Mac.

#### **7:47pm-Public Comment**

Presidents Council President, Erika Newsome-Rodriguez announced, The Parents Choice Awards. Nomination period to nominate Principals, Teachers & Parent Coordinators is open from May 20th- June 2nd 2024. Winners will be announced during the Hello, Goodbye Dinner hosted by Presidents Council. Date and location TBD

Meeting adjourned

#### **District Leadership Attendance:**

1. District 8 Superintendent- Jennifer Joynt
2. District 8 Family Leadership Coordinator- Vanessa Ruiz
3. District 8 President's Council- Erika Newsome-Rodriguez
4. District 8- Principal
5. District 8- Principal Galiano
6. District 8 PC-

#### **Special Speakers and Guests in Attendance:**

1. OFNs- Ms. Vargon
2. 333XLAD Dean of School Culture Dean Blake
3. Ms. Spencer from Sepulveda's office

#### **Interpretation**

Yes



