

**Community Education Council District 8
New York City Department of Education**

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DRAFT MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

Council Members

Wanda Balines D75 Seat, Latoya Coleman IAP, Cynthia Caldwell, Carmen Feliciano VP2, Rosalia Fontanez, Elizabeth Garcia Treasurer, Crystal Rodriguez, Aurora Ronda VP1, Jasmine Ruiz Recording Secretary, LaTicia Thompson

Calendar Monthly Meeting: 03/12/25 - In person and Hybrid meeting

Meeting Location: PS140 – 916 Eagle Avenue, Bronx, NY 10456

6:00pm - Call to order: Latoya Coleman IAP

Pledge of allegiance – VP1 – Aurora Ronda

6:16pm – Roll call: Jasmine Ruiz - Recording Secretary

Councilmember Attendance:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Remote</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Excused</u>
Latoya Coleman, IAP	X			
Wanda Ivette Balines, D75	X			
Cynthia Caldwell	X			
Carmen Feliciano, VP2	X			
Rosalia Fontanez	X			
Elizabeth Garcia, Treasurer	X			
Crystal Rodriguez	X			
Aurora Ronda, VP1	X			
Jasmine Ruiz, Recording Secretary	X			
LaTicia Thompson	X			

***CHAIR PRO TEM – WANDA IVETTE BALINES – D75 Seat**

Monthly Meeting Quorum Attendance:

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District Leadership Attendance:

1. **Jennifer Joynt - District 8 Superintendent**
2. **Vanessa Ruiz – District 8 Family Leadership Coordinator**
3. **Jose Gonzalez - FACE Liaison – Governance**
4. **Principal Blake – PS140**

Special Speakers and Guests in Attendance:

1. **Jose Degante – Union Community Health Center of the Bronx**
2. **Office of food and nutrition services – Portia Oseu Tutu**

Interpretation – Provided by

Interpretation Team

Office of Language Access

Family and Community Engagement and External Affairs

NYC Public Schools

6:20pm - Superintendent State of the District Report

-Slides Presentation -

Q&A – session with the parents on virtual

6:42pm- Jose Degante - Union Community Health Center of the Bronx

Described the different assistance programs offered to the Bronx Community-Flyers, brochures were available for the public.

6:44pm – Office of food and nutrition services – Portia Oseu Tutu -

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[Schools.nyc.gov/ofns](https://schools.nyc.gov/ofns) - for menu/meals information

6:46pm – Public Session –

Erika Newsome-Rodriguez – President’s Council President

- Different Executive sessions were motioned and did not pass.

1. **Executive session – Personal issues – not in public/ – did not pass-no quorum vote achieved**

Motioned by Wanda Ivette Balines, 2nd by Crystal Rodriguez

-Wanda Ivette Balines-yes, Cynthia Caldwell-yes, Rosalia Fontanez-yes, Crystal Rodriguez-yes, Jamine ruiz-yes and LaTicia Thompson-yes.

-Latoya Coleman-abstain, Carmen Feliciano-no, Elizabeth Garcia-no, Aurora Ronda-no.

2. **Executive session – 90 days ATR/AA Evaluation – did not pass-no quorum vote achieved**

Motioned by Laticia Thompson, 2nd by Crystal Rodriguez

-Wanda Ivette Balines-yes, Cynthia Caldwell-yes, Rosalia Fontanez-yes, Crystal Rodriguez-yes, Jasmine ruiz-yes, LaTicia Thompson-yes.

Latoya Coleman-abstain, Carmen Feliciano-no, Elizabeth Garcia-no, Aurora Ronda-no.

6:55pm- Election of officer – Office of President – no statement given

Elizabeth Garcia – nominated Latoya Coleman – accepted -For Latoya Coleman – Carmen Feliciano-yes, Elizabeth Garcia-yes, Aurora Ronda- yes, Latoya Coleman-yes.

Crystal Rodriguez – nominated LaTicia Thompson – did not accept - For LatTicia Thompson – Wanda Ivette Balines-yes, Cynthia Caldwell-yes, Rosalia Fontanez-yes, Crystal Rodriguez-yes,
Jasmine Ruiz-yes,

- **No quorum vote achieved / – IAP Coleman – continues to be CEC8 IAP**

7:05pm - Announcements –

Wanda Ivette Balines – Presented updates on the D75 colocation at PS138.

7:15pm- Councilmember's report –

Wanda Ivette Balines – March is Women's month- congratulations to all the working Mom's. And March is also Development Disability Month.

Latoya Coleman – On 3/28/25 – Summer rising program application opens. Principal Blake-PS140 – would like to get programs every year.

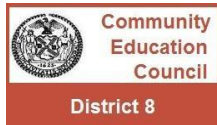
Crystal Rodríguez – Thank you to all the schools that participated in Black History month. Family Healing workshops are available. Surveys are out - complete and sign. CEC elections – Vote.

Aurora Ronda – will be marching with 28 students on Sunday 3/16/25 Throgs Neck St. Patrick's Day parade. Helping students to pass with homework help - that have received promotion in doubt letters.

Jasmine Ruiz - Summer rising applications are open.

LaTicia Thompson – is a Proud NYC Read Ambassador and a proud organizer of the HUB D12 – book club. And promoting SLT working groups.

Meeting Adjourned – 7:38pm



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Jasmine Ruiz – Recording Secretary – presented 12/24, 1/2025, 12/24 special meeting, 2/25 for approval.

Aurora Ronda – motioned, Crystal Rodriguez 2nd – Minutes approved with changes as needed.

Jasmine Ruiz- No /

Yes – Wanda Ivette Balines, Cynthia Caldwell, Latoya Coleman, Carmen Feliciano, Rosalia Fontanez, Elizabeth Garcia, Crystal Rodríguez, Aurora Ronda, LaTicia Thompson.

Vote on school location for April and May meeting. Crystal Rodriguez – motioned and 2nd by Latoya Coleman

April – MS302, back up PS62 / May – PS119, back up PS107.

Motioned passed – all Members present in agreement. Yes – Wanda Ivette Balines, Cynthia Caldwell, Latoya Coleman, Carmen Feliciano, Rosalia Fontanez, Crystal Rodriguez, Jasmine Ruiz, LaTicia Thompson.

Wanda Ivette Balines – mentioned to invite the Council Candidates.

Eliazabeth Garcia and Aurora Ronda – left early.

Vote on End of the Year Event – CEC8 Parent Engagement Day – proposed budget - \$1750.00

Motion – passed – all council members agreed.

Business meeting adjourned at 8:50pm-