

# CDEC District 26

## Minutes

### June 23, 2016

#### Calendar Meeting

**Present:** Alan Ong (President), Roy Menendez (Second Vice President), Wendy Pelle Beer (First Vice President), Leslie Rubenstein (Recording Secretary), Michelle Liu (Treasurer), Bobby Thind, Dilip Nath, Shajid Ali Mohammed, Olivia Esposito

**Absent:** David Wong (unexcused)

**Also Present:** Danielle Giunta, Superintendent District 26, Lori Butera, District Family Coordinator

Called to order at: 7:06. Role call.

#### Superintendent's Report:

- Superintendent Giunta thanked council members for working successfully on the rezoning project.
- Five finalists for the Big Apple Award
- Three more principals are being recognized as Distinguished Leaders
- Superintendent Giunta presented the Equity in Excellence Plan
  - Pre-K through college continuum for graduation and college and career readiness
  - Goals include an 80% on graduation rate by 2026 and  $\frac{2}{3}$  of graduate college and career ready
  - Eight initiatives that encompass the program are:
    - Universal Literacy (via reading coaches in all elementary schools, partnering with Teachers' College Reading and Writing Project and adoption of intervention programs such as Foundations and Great Leaps)
    - Algebra for All (by increasing time spent on math during the day, professional development, option for departmental organization in elementary schools, etc.)
    - AP for All (expanded AP offerings in 63 schools across the city; ensuring at least 5 AP courses available to every high school student).
    - Computer Science for All by 2025 (schools can choose how to implement the program; DOE is contracting with a variety of vendors; D26 is drafting a Technology Framework and a Vision for Technology for the district; 3 D26 schools are participating in a citywide pilot and all students are going to participate in the Hour of Code code.org. PD for technology will also be increased.
    - Middle School College Access for All (college campus visits for middle school students; D26 is encouraging field trips to local college campuses)
    - High School College Access for All (ex. Increased number of counselors in high schools)

- Single Shepherd (pairing students and counselors or social workers with a ratio of 1:100 in high needs districts. DC26 will continue to work towards creating a “Supportive Environment”).
  - District-Charter Partnerships - not applicable in D26 because there are no charter schools in district.
- Lori Butera shared some of the family engagement programs that are running this summer (free parent workshops and classes) and fall - a D26 Family Night at Citi Field. PTA Meet and Greet, August 4th 10 a.m. at Panera in Bay Terrace. The August DLT meeting will be held that afternoon.

### **Public Comments**

- Jim Gallagher, Civic Association, apprised the CDEC of a variety of summer events CB8 Health and Wellness Fair at Cunningham Park on June 24th; Family Movie Nights at various parks in the community; National Night Out Against Crime - first Tuesday night in August.

Sajid made a motion to adjourn. Evelyn seconded the motion. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:56.

## **Business Meeting**

**Present:** Alan Ong (President), Roy Menendez (Second Vice President), Wendy Pelle Beer (First Vice President), Leslie Rubenstein (Recording Secretary), Michelle Liu (Treasurer), Bobby Thind, Dilip Nath, Shajid Ali Mohammed

**Absent:** David Wong

**Also Present:** Danielle Giunta, Superintendent District 26, Lori Butera, District Family Coordinator

Meeting was called to order at 7:56.

Sajid made a motion to approve the minutes of the March meeting. Dilip seconded the motion. All voted in favor of approving the minutes.

Michelle presented the budget. Roy made a motion to approve the budget. Shajid seconded the motion. All approved the budget.

### **President’s Report:**

- Alan thanked Olivia for having served on the CDEC this year and presented her with a certificate of appreciation.
- Old Business:
  - Superintendent’s evaluation is due on July 30th. Members should e-mail Farjana with their comments by then.

Dilip made a motion to adjourn. Bobby seconded the motion. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:06.

