



Community District Education Council 26

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President of the Council

First Vice President

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Recording Secretary

Treasurer

Council Members:

Pia Alexander
Robert Caloras
Ricky Chan
Irene Cheung
Irene Fennell
Ismael Fuentes
Esther Jung
Ismael Fuentes
Marie Pollicino
Jeannette Segal
Susan Shiroma

Anita Saunders
Community Superintendent
District 26

SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT EDUCATION COUNCIL 26 ANNUAL MEETING

THURSDAY, July 29, 2010 at 7:00 P.M.

@MS 158 – 46-35 Oceania Street, Bayside, NY – Teacher’s Cafeteria-1st Flr.

1. Meeting Called To Order – 7:10 p.m. by our ex-president Rob Caloras.

2. Roll Call - Marian Mason, Administrative Asst.

Present: *Council Members* - Robert Caloras, Marie Pollicino; Irene Fennell, Pia Alexander, Ricky Chan, Susan Shiroma and Ismael Fuentes.

Excused –Jeannette Segal, Irene Cheung, Dina Quondamatteo & Esther Jung

3. Election of *President Pro Tempore*

◆ Susan Shiroma nominated for *President Pro Tempore*

Nomination presented by Rob Caloras - seconded by Irene Fennell

Pursuant to CEC 26 Bylaws and DOE regulations, Susan Shiroma was elected as *President pro tem* by voice vote: 7 – 0 (7 Yes; 0 No).

No other nominations

4. Election of Officers for Council term July 2010 to June 2011

Susan Shiroma, *President pro tem*

◆ Nominations were taken for each of the 5 Council officers’ positions. The vote is recorded after each listed position.

By voice vote, the following officers were elected:

President **Robert Caloras** 7 – 0 (7 YES – 0 NO: Unanimous vote of all members present).

Nomination presented by Marie Pollicino – Pia Alexander seconded.

No other nominations

Susan read the Bylaws pertaining to the President’s duties.

1st Vice President **Jeannette Segal** 7 – 0 (7 YES - 0 NO: Unanimous vote of all members present).

Nomination presented by Irene Fennell - Marie Pollicino seconded. No other nominations. Susan read the bylaws pertaining to the 1st VP's duties.

2nd Vice President Marie Pollicino 7 – 0 (7 YES - 0 NO: Unanimous vote of all members present).

Nomination presented by Rob Caloras – Irene Fennell seconded.

No other nominations

Susan read the Bylaws pertaining to the 2nd VP's duties.

Recording Secretary Pia Alexander 7 – 0 (7 YES- 0 NO: Unanimous vote of all members present).

Rob Caloras nominated Ricky Chan – declined position.

Irene Fennel nominated Pia Alexander (accepted position) - Rob Caloras seconded .

Susan read the Bylaws pertaining to the Recording Secretary's duties.

Treasurer Ricky Chan 7 - 0 (7 YES – 0 NO: Unanimous vote of all members present).

Nomination presented by Pia Alexander – Irene Fennell seconded.

No other nominations

Susan read the Bylaws pertaining to the Treasurer's duties.

There being no further business for the Annual Meeting, *President Pro Tempore* turned the chair over to the newly elected President, Robert Caloras.

Motion to adjourn Annual meeting and go straight into the Business Meeting.

BUSINESS MEETING

1. Call to order

Rob started off introducing the newly elected officers for 2010:

President – Robert Caloras

1st VP – Jeannette Segal

2nd VP – Marie Pollicino

Recording Secretary – Pia Alexander

Treasurer – Ricky Chan

2. **Minutes** – May 3, 2010 & June 17, 2010 minutes; Irene Fennell made a motion to accept the minutes, Ricky Chan seconded. Council voted unanimously to accept.

3. President's Report

a. Discussed test scores which have been less than valuable.

1. NY Post had an article – this is a wake up call for the teachers.

2. Daily News – PS 205 & PS 188 went up in scores

3. Newsday posted an editorial on test scores in Nassau County.

b. Susan asked “about the previous meetings with the CEC presidents”. Rob stated “that the Chancellor has violated the law”, he has not met with any one group. The Chancellor is supposed to meet with the CEC groups on a regular basis.

Susan asked about the Martine Guerrier replacement. The Administrative Asst., Marian Mason informed them that Ms. Ojeda Hall will be replacing Ms. Guerrier on August 2nd.

4. Bylaws

Pia brought up the subject of absences that was discussed at the CEC training. Members were told that the business and public meetings are treated as **individual** absences.

Section 6. Absences (Amended 7-29-10)

It is the responsibility of each Council member to attend all meetings of the Council. It is incumbent upon all Council members, except in cases of emergency, to notify the President or the Administrative Assistant to the Council at least 4 hours prior to the scheduled meeting time of their intent to be absent.

Any member of the Council who fails to attend three meetings of the Council of which she/he is duly notified, without rendering in writing a good and valid excuse therefore to the President, vacates his/her office by refusal to serve (Education Law §2590-c). Each written excuse and absence noted as excused or unexcused shall be included within the official written minutes of such meeting.

After the third unexcused absence, the President, with the approval of the Council, shall notify in writing the absent and unexcused member that the Council shall declare a vacancy to the Chancellor by resolution at its next regularly scheduled calendar meeting. ***Absences from the business or public meetings are treated as individual absences.***

5. Scheduled Meeting Dates (2010-2011) - Tabled till September 30, 2010.

Discussions on changing the meeting date from the last Thursday. Will wait and get the PTA dates to make a decision

Rob informed the council of the next CDEC meeting which is August 19th & Sept. 30th.

6. School Assignments – Tabled for September meeting.

Rob is putting more emphasis on PTA visits. CDEC has built up a good rapport with the President’s Council. PTA visits should be arranged through the PTA President or the Parent Coordinator. Under no circumstances will the CDEC member show up at a PTA meeting without having an invitation or permission unless you’re a parent of that school and you’re going as a parent. Council member will be put on the agenda once asked by the PTA President or Parent Coordinator.

Ismael made a motion to table, members voted unanimously.

7. Discussed how they would go about doing the Superintendent’s Evaluation.

A. views brought out by different council members

B. will set up a meeting to discuss? (Executive or Special)

Rob stated that they continue sending in a notation that the Council feels that they cannot evaluate the Superintendent because under the current system the Superintendent’s role is not defined.

8. Budget – CDEC’s given \$20,000 to cover expenses. Budget allocated as follows:

COMMUNITY ED COUNCIL BUDGET							
CEC #26						INITIAL BUDGET FY10/11	
Allocation as of July 29, 2010							
						BUDGET	20,000

EXPENDITURE CATEGORY	QUICK CODE	OBJECT CODE	ACTIVITY CODE	LOC CODE	AMOUNT SCHEDULED	EXPENDED TO DATE	Balance
General Supplies	062641	198		QS26	5000		
Procurement Card	062641	198		QS26	6800		
Lease of Copier	062641	433		QS26	900		
Rental of Water Cooler	062641	412		QS26	210		
Local Travel and Food Expenses	062641	451		QS26	5090		
Stipend Reimbursements	062641	496		QS26	800		
Other Administrative Consultants	062641	686		QS26	1200		
TOTAL					20,000		

Budget voted on, signed and accepted unanimously.

Went directly into the Calendar Meeting
Superintendent's Report

- Welcome
 - NYS Test Results - Attachment
 - 2009 2010
 - ELA 91% 74.1%
 - Math 96.6% 86.1%
 - Scale Score Change – Attachment
 - Summer School Testing
 - Math, Monday, August 9TH; ELA, Tuesday, August 10th; ^{Make}-up Wednesday, August 11th
 - New High School Graduation Rate Standard – 80%
 - 2008-09 – Bayside 76%
 - Cardozo 82%
 - Francis Lewis 81%
 - Queens HS of Teaching 89%
 - Van Buren 75%
 - Title I Schools – Attachment
 - Additional District 26 Schools – Cardozo, Van Buren
 - Regents Exams – Eliminated 2014
 - National Exams to be given
 - Summer Parent Workshops
 - Book Club - Parenting Class - Art Classes - Lucky Ducks
- Anita thanked Lori Butera, District Family Advocate for doing a great job with the summer parent workshops (Parenting Classes, Art & Book Club). Lori stated “that the last workshops would be next week and thanked the CDEC for co-sponsoring the food”.
- C-30 Process at PS 213 – Level I completed; Level II Interviews to be scheduled

Rob made a motion to adjourn and Irene Fennell seconded. Unanimous vote.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:25p.m.

Submitted by Marian Mason, *Administrative Assistant, CEC26*