



COMMUNITY EDUCATION COUNCIL 19

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Calendar Meeting Minutes June 12, 2024

Calendar Meeting Start Time: 6:23pm

Ms. French opens meeting.

Roll Call: Joyce French, Sarah Besson, Anclin Suarez, Kimberly Washington, Tion Prescott and Diamond Daymon, Kendell Jamison and Evelyn Pugh **Absent:** Andelliz Henriquez and Shakima Sealy

Approval of meeting minutes:

Ms. French - Motion to approve meeting minutes of May 8, 2024. Meeting minutes were approved with no changes. Motion by Ms. Besson second by Ms. Pugh.

Presentation: UFT Brave Anti-Bullying Workshop presented by Jose Lago.

The UFT's BRAVE campaign aims to combat bullying in our schools. Short for Building Respect, Acceptance and Voice through Education, the BRAVE campaign provides educators, parents and students with the tools, knowledge and support to be pro-active in confronting and stopping bullying. The BRAVE campaign provides an array of resources and tools for educators to make a positive difference in their schools.

Presentation: FY 2025 Contracts of Excellence presented by Dr. Tamra Collins, Community Superintendent.

- C4E legislation was established as part of the 2007-08 Enacted State Budget under Foundation Aid and requires that a portion of Foundation Aid be used for specific restricted purposes.
- C4E requires that funding be allocated toward specific programs that raise the achievement of the students with the greatest educational need including, but not limited to those students with limited English proficiency, students in poverty and students with disabilities.
- C4E legislation was updated to include requirements related to class size limits.

C4E is increasing to \$803 million for FY2025. An additional \$45 million will be allocated in alignment with the student needs weights as issued by SED plus the school's capacity to meet the state's class size reduction target.

Summary of Draft Class Size Reduction Plan:

- Updated statistics on class size compliance across NYCPS
- Proposal to set class size reduction targets for districts for superintendents to distribute across schools, to ensure Principals are prioritizing class sizes
- Non-exhaustive list of strategies that schools may undertake to reduce class sizes
- Additional funding for class size, including an additional \$45 million in C4E funds, and an additional \$137 million that schools may only use for class size.
- Updated capital planning strategy that considers a range of school needs and ensures seats in development are meeting existing school needs
- Multiple strategies to support teacher recruitment and retention

Approved on 7/17/2024



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- A continued focus on high poverty schools
- Improvements in data collection and analysis to support future implementation

Community Superintendent's Report: Dr. Tamra Collins, Community Superintendent (video and picture slideshow).

High School Community Superintendent Report – Ms. Yuet Chu reported on the High Schools updates.

New Highlights:

- Maxwell HS – Nursing Program to certify students as nursing assistants.
- Transit Tech HS – Cyber Security Program
- Academy of Young Writers – Academy Career Ready Program

Public Comments:

Michael Lambert – Councilman Chris Banks Chief of Staff

Christine Delius – NYS Senator Roxanne Persaud

Calleight Higgins – NY Legal Assistance Group

Motion to adjourn calendar meeting Ms. French second by Mr. Prescott at 7:48pm

Business Meeting Minutes June 12, 2024

Business Meeting Start Time: 7:57pm

Roll Call: Joyce French, Evelyn Pugh, Sarah Besson, Anclin Suarez, Kimberly Washington, Tion Prescott, Diamond Daymon and Kendell Jamison

Absent: Andelliz Henriquez and Shakima Sealy

Motion to adjourn business meeting Ms. Besson second by Ms. Suarez at 7:58pm

Followed by Executive Session (Evaluation).