

COMMUNITY EDUCATION COUNCIL DISTRICT 3

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> CEC3 BUSINESS MEETING 6:30PM SPECIAL CALENDAR MEETING 7:00 PM Wed., Nov. 9th, 2016

Joan of Arc Auditorium – 154 W. 93rd St., New York, NY 10025 (Between Amsterdam/Columbus Aves.)

Business Mintues

(Approved at the CEC3 Dec. 14th, 2016 Business Meeting)

Business Meeting

- Call to Order 6:51 PM
- Roll Call of Members Kristen Berger, Joe Fiordaliso, Zoe Foundotos, Noah Gotbaum, PJ Joshi, Daniel Katz, Lucas Liu, Dennis Morgan, Kim Watkins Excused Absence: Manuel Casanova, Vincent Orgera DOE: Ilene Altschul, D3 Superintendent, DJ Sheppard, D3 Family Coordinator

Approval of Minutes

- 1. Oct. 6th, 2016 Business Meeting Minutes approved by unanimous consent of all Council members present.
- President's Report
 - 2. Three D3 Principals competed in the NYC Marathon: Donny Lopez, Henry Zymeck, David Scott Parker.
- **❖ Superintendent's Report** − *deferred*
- **❖ Old Business** − *none*
- **❖** New Business − none

Committee Reports

- 1. Middle School Committee
 - K Berger reporting: The next Middle School Committee meeting Tues., Nov. 15th. 9:30 AM at Joan of Arc.
- 2. Charter School Committee
 - N Gotbaum reporting: Hearing tomorrow on Opportunity Charter School expansion. They are seeking expansion at PS241 from 6-12 to K-12. They are the only charter school that educates special needs kids. Supports renewing OCS from 6-12 but expanding K-12, there are questions since Council does not want more charter school expansion. Council discussion on whether to support or oppose expansion.
 - K Berger suggests continuing discussion via email tomorrow.

- J Fiordaliso supports conditional renewal of OCS based on their serving special needs population and based on a limited scope.
- Council decision is made to support renewal of OCS charter at as it is and to be silent on expansion of K-12.

3. Multilingual Committee

- L Liu reporting: The next Multilingual Committee Meeting is Dec. 7th, details to follow.
- Is Russian Dual Language Program a done deal?
 - i. Supt. Altschul: No new information at this point. The plan is to open the Russian Dual Language class for Sept. 2017. Ms. Altschul will reach out to Deputy Chancellor Baez for further information.

4. Zoning Committee

- K Watkins reporting: Report to Council (*on file*) on update of Zoning Exercise emails, petitions, letters.
- There is no Council objection to holding rezoning vote at Nov. 22nd Calendar meeting and prior to that vote, holding public hearings Nov. 14th and Nov. 21st. It is the same number of public hearings followed by vote. The exception is that no weekend scheduled. Kindergarten Connect opens Nov. 30th so CEC vote should be before it.
- D Morgan feels there is not enough time and more public hearings are needed particularly for the Harlem community but vote must be before K-Connect opens.
- **Liaison Reports** none
- **❖** Adjournment of Business Meeting 7:10 PM