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# CEC3 Calendar Meeting 6:30 PM Wed., Jan. 20, 2021

Register in advance with link https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0vc--qrjIsGdJ9Z8FcklkgJAuzYgtj7XZj

(Approved as submitted at the Feb. 24, 2021 Calendar Meeting by all Council members present (9)

#### **Minutes**

- **❖** Call to Order 6:35 PM
- ❖ Roll Call of Members Lisa Byrd, Naveed Hasan, Lucas Liu, Mike McCarthy, Sharmilee Ramudit, Deirdre Garrett Scott, Assietou Sow, Kim Watkins, Eric Wright

Late: Kristen Berger (6:47)

Excused Absence: Dennis Morgan

DOE Staff: Christine Loughlin, D3 Superintendent, Tracy McClaire, D3 Family Liaison Coordinator, Mike Mirisola, Dir. External Affairs SCA, Steven Tuozzolo, SCA, Marie Graves, Sr. Project Officer

#### **Approval of Minutes**

- 1. Dec. 18, 2020 Calendar Meeting Minutes were approved by all Council Members present (9) when the motion for all to approve was called.
- **SCA Capital Plan Presentation** (on file)

Mike Mirosola and the SCA team presented the 5-year SCA Capitol Plan 2020-2024 at the start of the new 5-year cycle. The SCA handles major school improvement projects. The Capital Plan Total for 2020-24 is \$19.01B, an increase of \$3.1B from the previous plan and used as follows;

- a. \$8.9B Capacity
- b. \$6.5B Capital Investment
- c. \$3.64B Mandated Programs

#### SCA Citywide Highlights:

- Nearly \$7.8 billion for over 57,000 new seats to reduce overcrowding.
- \$750 million to make 50% of elementary school buildings partially or fully accessible and 1/3 of all buildings fully accessible.
- \$284 million for electrical work to support air conditioning in all classrooms by 2021.
- \$589 million in support of the 3-K and Pre-K for All initiatives
- \$751 million for technology enhancements
- \$84 million included to improve ventilation.
- -Major exterior work is 6 months behind due to the pandemic.
- -MHII/PS165 roof replacement is behind, it will take 1½ years more due the difficulty and the pandemic.
- -John Rodriquez, from DOE Space Planning said they are working on a relocation plan for 859SMS. They are looking at what can be done with the basement practice spaces.

- **❖** Public Comment none
- ❖ President's Report Pres. Watkins extended her appreciation to DOE staff and attendees for their support and being there.
- ❖ Superintendent's Report Supt. Loughlin said schools have instituted very nuanced protocols based on testing and guidance.
  - -The Superintendent and her team held a Meet the D3 Middle School Principals Forum on Admissions where D3 principals presented their academic and cultural programs. A special website, DOE3.org, has been set up where parents can forward questions.
  - -Tomorrow and next week, middle school principals will be presenting to 5<sup>th</sup> graders to give students an opportunity to hear about their schools.
  - Sibling Priority was put on hold as screens have been. She will talk to parents offline about this.
  - -Member Liu raised the issue of getting documents translated in multiple languages so all parents can understand the process. the Superintendent said she is happy to partner with CEC3. She met with the Office of Multilingual Learners re multilingual programs in school and will contact them regarding translations. However, Council Member Wright remarked that information is out of date that has not been updated in another language.

#### **❖** Old Business - *None*

#### **❖** New Business

- 1. Announced G&T changes Mayor de Blasio has said this is the last year for G&T test. Elimination of G&T has happened in other districts. Pres. Watkins remarked that Chancellor Reg. A-185 reads that 18 months lead time is needed and CEC3 discussion and movement on this topic should be done now. It unclear if removing the test means removing the program. Council discussion ensued on impact of decision and most effective way to reach out to parents regarding this issue. How is it going to impact enrollment? Contacting Tess Fuller, DOE District Planning for data if CEC3 needs to rezone and talking to the OSC is a start.
- 2. Pres. Watkins said CEC3 may need to create a committee to do this work. It may be cause for substantial rezoning. Members Wright & Hasan volunteered to co-chair the group.
- 3. Do we lose seats that are not filled and become general seats? Supt. Loughlin remarked that eliminated G&T programs means reduced enrollment.

## **&** Liaison Reports

1. PS84 Liaison Sow reported she spoke with Principal Lolis about helping ELL families with children in grades 1-5 with applications. ELL Member Sow has established English/French contacts to help with the same process in grades 4,5,6,7 at Lafayette.

## **Committee Reports**

- 1. Multilingual Committee Chair Liu reported they met Jan. and Supt. Loughlin attended. They are working on having a Dual Language Showcase with school participation. Supt. Loughlin responded that she had asked Matt Angel from her team to come up with a survey that can be sent out to gage interest in the showcase. Chair Liu also reported that the Italian Consulate came back with strong support for the Italian Dual Language Program at 242. There is interest in a mandarin language program at 120<sup>th</sup> St. area. Supt. Loughlin said that there is ongoing discussion about how to provide enrichment programs for youngest students and to support families. It's in its initial stages. We need to have engagement just on this topic and how that looks.
- **Public Comment -** none
- **❖** Adjournment of Calendar Meeting 8:34 PM