



Community Education Council 29Q

New York City Public Schools

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CEC 29Q Calendar Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, November 21, 2024

Time: 6:30 PM

Host School: PS 195Q

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- Call to Order/Welcome:
 - The meeting was called to order at 6:39 pm by CEC 29Q President Allen Williams.
 - PS 195Q Presentation:
 - Principal Balkaran presented information about PS 195Q.
 - The school has expanded offerings such as robotics, fashion, dance, adult education, and added a 3K program.
 - A new AIMS program was introduced last year, which is a source of pride for the school.
 - A student showcased pajamas that she designed and sewed, demonstrating the program's creative work.
 - Follow PS 195Q's updates on Instagram via 195Magnet.
 - Student Ambassador:
 - Mya Bennet, PS 195Q Student Ambassador for NYC Reads, was introduced.
 - Roll Call:
 - Present: Mejbah Ahmed, Joann Cummings, Denese Joyner, Tariq Khan, LaTrina Mitchell, Tamara Morrison, Annmarie Schrouter Gayle (Virtual), David Washington, Mark Washington, and Allen Williams, Sr.
 - Quorum reached
 - Secretary's Report: T. Morrison
 - The October 17th Calendar & Business Meetings minutes were presented to the Council.
 - There was a change to the Business meeting minutes regarding the Thanksgiving Donation discussion.
 - Tariq motioned to accept the minutes with changes, and Allen seconded the motion.
 - Superintendent's Report, Deputy Superintendent Dr. Vaughn (on behalf of Superintendent Dr. Bonds):
 - Dr. Vaughn presented the D29 Data at a Glance and outlined the D29 Mission & Vision Statement.
 - Discussed 2023-24 D29 State Test Scores and the D29 DCEP Plan Priorities to improve proficiency in reading and math.
 - Upcoming D29 Events:
 - Thanksgiving Feast on November 26.



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- Winter Wonderland on December 11.
- Sailing in Time in D29, Sundays at 7 pm on YouTube.
- D29 Presidents' Council Report by Priscilla Monteiro:
 - Announced the opening of a Teen Center at PS/IS 208, with applications now being accepted.
 - President's Council dues are being collected.
 - Reported on the first quarterly meeting with D29 CEC & Superintendent Bonds update, and Presidents' Council partnership with the upcoming CEC 29 Legislative Chat & Chew on December 19th at PS/IS 116Q.
- Presentation: The New District 29Q HBCU High School, by Mr. Shawn Rux, Senior Executive Director of New Schools & Design:
 - Discussed the need for high-quality high schools in Queens South.
 - The current administration is committed to opening three accelerated schools in the city.
 - Delaware State University is an anchor partner for the new HBCU School in D29.
 - A proposal has been made to locate the new school at IS 238, and this will be voted on by the PEP in January.
 - The application deadline is in two weeks.
- Presentation by Mr. David Newell, Jr., D29 Deputy Director of School Facilities:
 - Instructed schools to review the BCAS report detailing building conditions.
 - Encouraged CEC members to conduct walkthroughs with schools to assess their needs.
 - Opened the floor for Q&A.
- Public Agenda Session:
 - Ms. Jones shared information about bus services available for transportation needs.
 - Ms. Parsons, Senior Advisor for Assembly Member Hyndman, and a D29 Teacher, discussed several initiatives:
 - Assembly Member Hyndman is collecting toys for the Federation Blocks of Laurelton toy drive until December 15th.
 - Assembly Member Hyndman is sponsoring a trip to the MET for seniors and veterans.
 - Assembly Member Hyndman Turkey Drive will take place next week.
 - Lorraine Bridges from CLT also contributed updates.
 - Allen Williams announced the Borough President's office is hosting a Toy Drive.
- Adjournment of Calendar Meeting:
 - T. Morrison motioned to adjourn, and Mark seconded.
 - Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.



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CEC 29Q Business Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, November 21, 2024

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- Call to Order:
 - The Business meeting was called to order at 8:32 pm by CEC 29Q President Allen Williams.
- Roll Call:
 - Present: Mejbah Ahmed, Joann Cummings, Denese Joyner, Tariq Khan, LaTrina Mitchell, Tamara Morrison, Annmarie Schrouter Gayle (Virtual), David Washington, Mark Washington, and Allen Williams, Sr.
 - Quorum reached
- Treasurer's Report:
 - Budget Update was presented, including:
 - Members should submit reimbursement requests on time.
 - The reimbursement budget line will be reviewed monthly.
 - CEC 29 is awaiting \$10,000 legislative allocation from Assembly Member Hyndman.
 - Request for budgets for remaining CEC events for the year.
- Committee Updates:
 - STREAM Fair: Updates will be provided once planning begins.
 - Legislative Chat & Chew: The event is scheduled for December 19th.
 - D29 History Fair: A professional development session was held on November 18th, attended by 24 schools. Another session will be held in early January. The next planning meeting is scheduled for January.
 - The Council was asked to think about potential presentations for meetings in the coming months.
 - Joann proposed a Special Education Workshop Series, including an introduction via Zoom and an in-person session. She plans to present dates for the workshops and would like to partner with IncludeNYC for these sessions.
 - Bylaws Committee: The committee has not yet met officially but will send an email inviting the community to attend. A review of CEC Bylaws revealed the need for strengthening them, with further updates to follow.



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- Adjournment of Business Meeting:
 - President Williams asked for a motion to adjourn. D. Joyner motioned, and L. Mitchell seconded.
 - Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm

- Minutes submitted by CEC 29 AA Nakida Camille

APPROVED