

CEC District 75
Special Education

# **CITYWIDE DISTRICT 75 COUNCIL**

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# MINUTES WORKING MEETING

The Working Meeting of the Citywide District 75 Council was held on Wednesday, **June 6, 2012** at 6:00 pm at 400 First Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10010. The following people were in attendance.

### Working Meeting:

\*Note: Mr. Williams, President called the Working Meeting to order.

Call to Order at 6:15 PM the Working Agenda

#### 1. Roll Call

Able Alagbe Present Charlene Carroll-Hall Excused Maureen Dantzler Excused Diamaris Magarin Excused Gloria Ann Smith Present Alicia Valeus Present Joseph Williams Present Aliya Rasool Present

# 2. Discuss Program for the June 21st Calendar Meeting

Mr. Williams informed the council the A.A. formatted letters to Ms. Laura Rodriquez, Deputy Chancellor of Special Education and ELL and the previous council members: Thomas F. Ryan, John Englert, Diana Marenfeld, Charles Henderson and Gloria Gonsalves.

#### 3. Discuss and Review the Annual Report

Mr. Williams provided the council with a brief outline of what will be included in the Annual Report. Mr. Williams informed the council that he has been working on the report and will complete it before the June Calendar Meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup>. He will provide the A.A. with the outline to type and provided to the council to review before the calendar meeting. In the report are the following:

- Busing Survey Findings
- Medicaid Reimbursement
- Special Education Reform
- Co-locations Hearings

#### 4. End of the Financial Report

Gloria Smith, Treasurer mentioned to the council after receiving the D75 Council Report for the month of May and June 2012 she is waiting for a call back regarding her questions of the balance with object code 179-activity code XPPX balance that is not stated on the report. The council did review the council's monthly expenditure report provided by the A.A.

#### 5. Discuss Request for Council Members to be Guest Speakers at D75 Graduations

Mr. Williams informed the council an invitation was sent on behalf of the following schools:

- 723X in the Bronx at June 19<sup>th</sup> at 9 am Christine Walsh, Principal and Jose Vazquez, Parent Coordinator
- 231K in Brooklyn June 25<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, Christina Foti, Principal and James Lola, Parent Coordinator

There was another request for a guest speaker on the 19<sup>th</sup> of June in the Bronx at 7pm. Mr. Williams will provide the location and contact information at a later date.

#### 6. Busing Issues for the Summer School

The council discussed last year's busing issues that they had accoutered with the lack of air conditioners. Last summer the council formatted a form for parents to fill out and submit to the council if they had concerns or issues that did not come to a favorable conclusion. The council addressed the issues of late arrivals (home and to school), children not placed on the right bus (full size bus vs. mini-van) and the lack of air conditioning. Parents were also unaware that on their child's IEP it should state it is mandatory for them to be placed on a mini-van. The council informed parents that they would need a note from the doctor to request air conditioning. The council will again repeat the course of action as last year by providing the parents with a Busing Form to provide to the council to help rectify any concerns regarding busing. The council will also provided parents with a busing outline for the summer.

#### 7. New Business

No new business

#### Note:

## Sacha Ingles, District Parent Support Leader of District 75, Superintendents Office

Ms .Ingles informed the council that Gary Hecht; Superintendent of District 75 would like to end the school year on a positive note. Gary wanted to extend his thanks for supporting the students of District 75. He also looks forward to the continued support of the council during the coming school year.

#### No Quorum

Mr. Williams mentioned to the council does not have a quorum to vote on minutes and any other items.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:00 pm