

Citywide Council for District 75

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Date: August 17, 2020 **Time:** 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Location: Virtual Meeting: Zoom

MEETING CALLED BY	Shamel Lawrence , President
FACILITATOR	Shamel Lawrence , President
ROLL CALL & NOTE TAKER	Grisel Cardona , Recording Secretary
TIMEKEEPER	Shamel Lawrence , President
ATTENDEES	Amy Ming Tsai, Parliamentarian - Present, Tiesha Groover , Council Member-Present, Shamel Lawrence, Sr. , President-Present, Craig E. Spencer , Vice President- (late 6:47pm) Present, Grisel Cardona , Recording Secretary- Present, Debra Altman , Treasurer- Present, Constance Asiedu , Public Advocate Appointee-Present, Patricia Jewett , Public Advocate Appointee-Present
MEETING START	Start: 6:05pm Adjourn: 8:00pm

1. Call to Order:

2. Roll Call:

3. Moment of Silence: In memory for those who lost their lives due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

4. Council Bylaws Review and Vote

Speaker: Mr. Lawrence, President

An update from the bylaws committee was given with its recommendations that were discussed at their meeting prior to the council’s Special Meeting on Monday, July 20th. Members on the council were given the opportunity to discuss and comment on the recommendations. Proposed recommendations are as follows:

1. Split the Committee on Busing & Safety into two separate standing committees
2. Add Co-Presidents to the Executive Officers section
3. Add 1st and 2nd Vice President to the Executive Officers section
4. Add the Committee on Legislation as a standing committee

5. Motions:

Speakers: Ms. Asiedu, PAA & Mr. Spencer, VP

1. Add Co-President to the bylaws in the existing Officers: President, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer
2. Add 1st Vice-President & 2nd Vice-President to the bylaws in the existing Officers: Co-Presidents, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer
3. Standing Committees:
 - a. Committee on Busing
 - b. Committee on Transition
 - c. Committee on Safety
 - d. Committee on Legislation
 - e. Committee on Bylaws
 - f. Committee on Capacity and Utilization
 - g. Committee on Curriculum
 - h. Committee on Outreach

Any ad hoc committees voted on in the spring has no need to be placed on the council’s bylaws since ad hoc committees are setup for a particular purpose for a short period of time. Council members have tabled the discussion on creating sub-committees for the Committee on Transition (e.g. workforce planning & inclusion). (Vote Results Below)

5. Vote on New Members

Candidates were interviewed at the council’s last Calendar Meeting, July 22nd.

- a. Andrea Daniels

- b. Nathalie Fowler
- 6. **Vote: Approval of Outstanding Minutes:** -TABLED-
- 7. **Committee Chair/CCD75 Members Report:**
 - a. Brief update to the public on CEC Elections for next year.
 - b. Concerns on school filtration systems, space, disinfecting, and etc.

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- c. Council Member Ms. Altman mentioned one of Staten Islands’ schools will not be used this school year in the re-opening plan. Ms. Altman updated the council that she will be bringing up legislative items to the council soon.
- d. Council Member Mr. Spencer has updated the council on his future committee works and dates, dates scheduling around his job.
- e. Council Memembers expressed the lack of information the DOE has provided to the parents/families of the District 75 community.
- f.
- 8. **CCD75 President’s Report:** **Speakers:** Mr. Lawrence, President & Ms. Rodriguez, UFT QPL
 Mr. Lawrence introduced Ms. Delci Rodriguez, UFT Queens Parent Liasion to speak.
 Ms. Rodriguez introduced herself and announced her invitation to everyone on the call of her virtual parent session happening on the next day, Tuesday, 8/18, if anyone is interested they may contact her via email: drodriguez@uft.org.

- 9. **7PM Observation of First Responders**
- 10. **CCD75 Annual/Business/Calendar Meeting:**
 - 1. Monday, August 24, 2020 at 6:30 PM to 9:00PM

11. **Motion to Adjourn:**
 ♦ **ACTIONS:**

Motion	Motion made by and Second by	No	Yes	Abstain
1. Motion to add Co-President on bylaws to the existing officers: president, secretary, treasurer.	Motion made by Craig Spencer Second by Debra Altman	0	8	0
2. Motion to add a 2 nd Vice president on the bylaws to the existing officers: president, co-president, secretary, treasurer.	Motion made by craig Spencer Second by Constance Asideu	1	5	2
3. Motion to have a standing committee on safety	Motion made by Tiesha Groover Second by Constance Asideu	0	7	1
4. Motion to have a standing committee on bussing	Motion made by Craig Spencer Second by Amy Ming Tsai	0	8	0
5. Motion to have a legislative committee onto the bylaws	Motion made by Craig Spencer Second by Debra Altman	0	8	0
6. Motion to have a standing committee on transition	Motion made by Amy Ming Tsai Second by Craig Spencer	0	8	0
7. Motion to maintain Capacity and Utilization as a standing committee	Motion made by Craig Spencer Second by Constance Asideu	0	8	0
8. Motion to have a committee on bylaws	Motion made by Amy Ming Tsai Second by Constance Asideu	0	8	0

9. Motion to have a committee on curriculum	Motion made by Constance Asideu Second by Craig Spencer	0	8	0
10. Motion to have a standing committee on outreach	Motion made by Amy Ming Tsai Second by Craig Spencer	0	8	0
11. Motion to vote Nathalie Fowler as a member of the council for the 2020-2021 school year	Motion made by Craig Spencer Second by Debra Altman	4	2	2
12. Motion to vote Andrea Daniels as a member of the council for the 2020-2021 school year	Motion made by Craig Spencer Second by Constance Asideu	0	7	1

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