

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, **February 1, 2012** at 6:00 pm at 400 First Avenue, New York, NY 10010. The following people were in attendance.

*Note: Mr. Williams, President called the working meeting to order.

Call to Order at 7:02 PM the Working Agenda

1. Roll Call

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

2. Discuss The Administrative Assistant

Joe Williams Called a Motion to Call into Order to go into Executive Session, Charlene Carroll-Hall, seconded, council members vote?

*Notes from the Executive Meeting: Joe Williams asked Gloria Smith, Treasurer to take the minutes.

3. Review September Working Meeting Minutes

Joe Williams mentioned that we will table the minutes until the next meeting.

4. <u>Discuss The Metropolitan Museum Proposal</u>

Joe Williams began to discuss the Museum Proposal that Maureen Dantzler, Second Vice President was working on for the April Calendar Meeting. Mr. Williams wanted to review the meeting minutes to see how it coincides with Yearly Calendar that was formatted in September 2011 by the members of d75 council. The review of the minutes will be tabled to the next meeting.

5. Council Member Responsibility

Tabled

6. Resolution (A) Parent Involvement in Teachers Evaluation (B) The Installation of High Speed

Joe mentioned it's the responsibility of the council to submit resolutions to the DOE on certain items that are happening within the district. The council is asked to give suggestions and advice that affect D75. Joe emailed the council three resolutions to review over the weekend:

- a) Parent Involvement in Teachers Evaluation
- b) 1115 Wavier
- c) Internet Connection in D75.

Race for the Top Fund Resolution was provided for the council to review during the working meeting and submit suggestions. Gloria asked for the other resolutions Joe is speaking of (see list above) and Joe mentioned the resolution Race to the Top is in the file folder for the council to review. After

reviewing Race to the Top resolution; the council agreed to vote during the February 15th Calendar Meeting. Joe will have the other two resolutions ready before the 15th of February for the council to review (see list above). Joe will email the resolutions to the council to submit their suggestions and it will be presented and voted on during the February Calendar Meeting in the Bronx.

7. Internet Connection in the District 75 Schools

In August the DOE entered into a 720 million dollar contract with Verizon. Verizon was supposed to provided and update internet service in all the 1600 schools within NYC. As of today, Verizon has not provided the schools with a date as to when Verizon will begin updating the system within the schools. Joe has become aware of Principals who are complaining that they do have proper technical equipment/service within their schools. Also, they are unable to access/use properly because of the lack of service or need of updated service. When the Verizon contact is brought to the attention and/or presented during the City Council Meetings at 250 Broadway, the council should have a resolution ready to present as well as attend the meeting.

8. The 1115 Waiver

The 1115 Waiver Medicaid is going to change completely and it's going to happen over the next five years. If you have a disability and/or a child with a disability the way you receive Medicaid now you will not be able to receive it when the waiver passes. What they want to do is eliminate all of the small providers, i.e. ambulate service, medical supplies, and medical facility. As a company owner you must be able to provide more than one service to the Medicaid applicant. This Waiver will only affect the disable. The outcome of the changes regarding the waiver is there will only be three providers for the disable; you will have to utilize the HMO. District 75 Council needs to play a big role in regards to the waiver. The changes will down affect the children within District 75 and it is imperative that the council writes a resolution reflecting that.

9. Representative from DFACE will be in attendance.

A member of DFACE was not present during the Executive and Working Meeting. Gloria asked if a member of DFACE was in attendance. Joe mentioned he spoke to them and they were not going to be in attendance.

10. Note:

Working Meeting Minutes: January 4, 2012

January 4, 2012 Working Meeting Minutes, Joe Williams made a motion to review and accept the minutes. Gloria Smith made a motion to accept the minutes and Maureen Dantzler, second the motion all were in favor to accept the meeting minutes.

SLT: Hospital Schools

We have 39 hospital schools, your meeting parents with terminally ill children. They could not have an SLT you have the same amount of parents and staff of the SLT to considered it to be official. Due to the turn around of children entering and leaving the Hospital SLT never had enough parents to serve. DFACE asked Joe to serve on the SLT of the Hospital Schools.

Charlene mentioned that she her son goes to a Queens Guidance for Councilors, he is considered an outpatient they also have inpatient services. It bothers her when she sees kids who are visiting their parents and the police are patting them down as thought they are criminals. The police will bark at the kids who have to take their sneakers off. Parents also have to provide items to their children in a paper bag. Charlene would like to bring her concerns and what she saw to the council to further discuss at a later date.

Distribution of Emails:

Emails: Joe mentioned that all emails will be sent to him and there after disseminated / emailed by him to the council. Unimportant emails will be placed into the councils bi-monthly agenda file folders to review. Joe mentioned he is in the office daily; he has access to the internet in the office and throughout his daily travels. All emails are to be provided to him for distribution.

April 18th Calendar Meeting

The council has agreed to host a joint event with the CCSE on April 18th (CD75C April Calendar Meeting Date). The event is a Resource Fair held at Brooklyn Borough Hall, 209 Joralemon Street, from 6pm to 8 pm. Information will be provide on: community Resources, how the council's can help you?, and Recreational Opportunities.

PEP Notices:

Co-location Meetings: before the co-locations meeting Joe stated the council should reach out to Gary Hecht, Superintendent, contact the PTA President, and contact the Principal. If there is a problem one of the council members should attend the PEP meetings. If there is not a problem the council does not need to attend.

In the folders:

- Working Meeting Minutes, January 4, 2012
- CD75C Office Inventory List , 1/25/12
- Email Correspondence between John Englert, Co-President of CCSE and Joe Williams, President of CD75 1/27/12 to 1/31.12
- Citywide Council on Special Education Working Meeting Agenda, February 2, 2012-attached to email.
- NYC DOE Notice: Amendment to the "Open Meetings Law" 1/13/2012
- Statement flyer from ARISE Coalition, 1/20/12
- For Immediate Release Notification, consolidation and DOE staff changes of titles and divisions
- February Calendar Meeting Agenda, 2/15/2012
- DOE Monthly D75 Council budget FY 11-12: budget as of 2/1/12
- CD75 Monthly Expenditures 2011-12
- Resolution #23 Citywide District 75 Council-Race to the Top Funds

Meeting Adjourned at 9:00 pm