# Citywide Council for District 75

## RECORD BUSINESS MEETING

**Date**: August 7, 2019 **Time:** 6:30 PM – 9:00PM **Location:** 45-18 Court Square, 2<sup>nd</sup> Fl. Conf. Rm, Long Island City, NY 11101

MEETING CALLED BY	Shamel Lawrence Sr., President
FACILITATOR	Shamel Lawrence Sr., President
TIME KEEPER	Debra Altman, Council Member
ROLL CALL & NOTE TAKER	Grisel Cardona, Recording Secretary
ATTENDEES	Amy Ming Tsai, Council Member- Present, Craig E. Spencer, Council Member-Present, Tiesha Groover, Council Member-Excused, Shamel Lawrence, Sr., President-Present, Debra Altman, Council Member-Present, Angela Velez, Council Member-Resigned, Grisel Cardona, Council Member-Present and Yanira Alameda, Council Member-Absent
MEETING START	Start: 6:44pm Adjourn: 8:27 pm (No 2nd was needed due to this meeting being unofficial, meeting <u>No</u> quorum)

#### Record: No Quorum

Call to Order and Roll Call Appointment of Time Keeper

**Agenda Item:** PS009Q Report **Presenter:** Craig E. Spencer, Chair of the Chair of Committee on Capacity & Utilization

- Mr. Spencer, Chair of Committee on Capacity & Utilization read the report for 75Q009, Walter Reed School (copies of the report were provided to the members).
  - Members of the council in attendance during the walkthrough: Ms. Groover, Ms. Tsai, Ms. Cardona, and Mr. Lawrence. D75 Superintendent, DOE representatives, and SCA representatives were also present at 75Q009 walkthrough.
  - Ms. Cardona, author of the report has to correct "no individual visible" and clarify "colors of the bathroom"
  - Due to shortage of time, Mr. Spencer skipped over and read the recommendations at the end of the report.
  - Mr. Lawrence Sr. gave Mr. Spencer an extra 10 minutes to continue to read the report.
  - Mr. Lawrence Sr. read his report to the council on 75Q009 School. (Mr. Lawrence Sr., President did not provide his copies to the council or public).
  - Mr. Lawrence Sr. insists that the entire council come up with one (combined) report that will be submitted
    to the DOE. Mr. Spencer and Mr. Lawrence will put together their information before the next council
    meeting, scheduled for September.
  - Jesse Mojica, FACE Remarks:
    - 1. Suggested to the council to invite Tom Taratko to a future CCD75 mtg. to speak further more on the project @ 75Q009
    - 2. SCA, can also be invited to attend the same future CCD75 mtg. to speak further more on the school project
    - 3. Questions and concerns can be brought to their attention when they come to attend the meeting.

**Agenda Item:** Report from Jesse Mojica, FACE **Presenter:** Jesse Mojica, FACE

♦ Mr. Mojica did not provide the council with a report. Mr. Lawrence Sr. reminded Jesse of their earlier phone conversation that Mr. Mojica was to address the council internal concerns that was presented by members of the council. Jesse recommended the council address the internal issues and concerns during an executive session

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**Note:** Mr. Lawrence Sr. informed the council of a possible candidate, her application has been submitted and vetted by FACE, the council is ready to go forward with the next process if agreed. (She was in attendance during both meetings, invited by Mr. Lawrence Sr., President) Ms. Balines, briefly introduced herself, she was a candidate that attended all of the forums during this past spring CCEC election 2019-2021 term. Also, another possible parent is interested to apply for a seat on the current council, this parent is from his school. (Mr. Lawrence Sr. did not give any more info if there is an application from this parent)

**Note:** Ms. Cardona stated and suggested to the members of the council present at that time; since Ms. Groover is absent, she feels that the council should not be going over the budget without Ms. Groover.

### Agenda Item: New Business

- ♦ Mr. Spencer had expressed how he wanted to meet with the people who came up with CRSE, to see how it will fit-in with D75 schools.
- Ms. Altman briefly reported on her committee and how she will be planning for her meetings.
- Mr. Lawrence Sr. gave his update on the chancellor, regarding busing.