

## **MINUTES OF THE MAY 25, 2016**

### **COMMUNITY EDUCATION COUNCIL for DISTRICT ONE CALENDAR MEETING**

The Calendar Meeting of the Community Education Council for District 1 (CEC1) was called to order. Present for the meeting were Marco Battistella, Cynthia Cartagena, Aline Gnali, Luke Henry, Naomi Peña, David Post, Moses Seuram, Michael Stutman, and Stephanie Thompson.

#### Superintendent's Update

Daniella Phillips provided updates about:

- FY 2017 budgets released to schools by the end of the week
- SLTs conducting annual reviews
- District Comprehensive Educational Plan: Presentation on 2015-16 goals and action steps taken toward goals
- Equity and Diversity discussed at Saturday's Principals Conference

#### Vacancy

CEC Parent Member Candidate Jennie White introduced herself and spoke about her qualifications. CEC Parent Member Candidate Lilah Mejia did same by phone. Council members discussed the voting process. Vote was taken by roll call. Abstentions: Marco Battistella, Cynthia Cartagena, Stephanie Thompson. Votes for Lilah Mejia: Naomi Peña. Votes for Jennie White: Aline Gnali, Luke Henry, David Post, Moses Seuram, Michael Stutman.

#### Mayoral Control

Council members discussed the potential renewal of mayoral control and its implications for parent disempowerment, the loss of local control, and the hindrance of work toward school integration. Parent qualifications for school boards and CECs were also discussed, as well as the ways in which mayoral control facilitates the spread of initiatives. Council members discussed the lack of clarity around the role of the Division of Family and Community Engagement (DOE) in supporting parent groups.

#### New Committee Suggestion

The possibility of a Housing and Education Committee on CEC1 was discussed.

#### Committee Updates

The Charter Schools Committee noted that City Arts Charter School will be located in D2.

#### CEC1 Publication

Discussion of options for a monthly planner was continued from last meeting. CEC members spoke about additional options for budget use including technology and school supplies.

#### Minutes

The minutes from the May 11, 2016 CEC1 Business Meeting were approved.

#### Public Comment

Public comment was made about summer learning loss and the possibility of extending the school year by two weeks.

#### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.