

# COMMUNITY EDUCATION COUNCIL 14

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April 20, 2023/ 6-8pm / Public meeting with members and public via zoom

## **INTRODUCTIONS AND COMMUNITY CHECK IN**

Introductions in the Chat and Community Welcoming

Meeting started at

### **Attendees Present:**

Tajh Sutton

Jose Del Toro Alonso

Marissa Manzanares

Ariana Lopez

### **Absentees:**

Kenyatta Reid

Yuli Hsu

Casey Laytin

Introductions and Icebreaker. What is your favorite spring color and how will you color your new beginning this season?

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:**

Community commitments and agreements were announced

Marcy Houses Memorial Scholarship Fund is open for students that live in the Marcy houses. The deadline to apply is in May. Flier will be sent via email.

[https://www.instagram.com/marcy\\_scholarship/?igshid=YmMyMTA2M2Y=](https://www.instagram.com/marcy_scholarship/?igshid=YmMyMTA2M2Y=)

We are in the thick of very important budget decision making happening in public education. There are many resources to stay informed as well a signing letters and petitions.

Please Sign the following:

Charter Schools:

<https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-the-state-no-more-charters>

Childcare:

[https://actionnetwork.org/letters/all-nys-children-deserve-access-to-child-care?source=direct\\_link&](https://actionnetwork.org/letters/all-nys-children-deserve-access-to-child-care?source=direct_link&)

The people's plan:

<https://actionnetwork.org/letters/peoples-budget-2023/>

Charter Cap:

## **PRESENTATIONS:**

Principal Blair and the community at the Williamsburg School of Art and Technology The students reported loving the relationship between the students the teachers and school staff. A PowerPoint with information about the school will be sent out to the community. [www.whsat.org](http://www.whsat.org) [info@whsat.org](mailto:info@whsat.org)

Shalonda Curtis a former D14 parent whom now homeschools and works with “Know your Services”. The training is for mandated reporters to understand alternatives to straight reporting. The trainings help to create community and help support parents to know their rights and what resources that they have incase they should have to report it. For information or Trainings, contact Shalonda at [scurtis@ndsny.org](mailto:scurtis@ndsny.org)  
[https://www.instagram.com/p/Cqapz\\_BgsXu/?igshid=MTIyMzRjYmRlZg==](https://www.instagram.com/p/Cqapz_BgsXu/?igshid=MTIyMzRjYmRlZg==)

#### FACE CEC Presentation:

Marie Plaisir shared how to vote for CEC election candidates. How you vote plays a big part in your children’s education. This will be the first year that D75 parents will be allowed to vote in the district where their child goes to school not limited to their address. Parents are eligible to vote for each child in the public school. Each parent of each child is allowed to vote. To create a NYCSA you will need your students OSIS and account code from you parent coordinator. You can sign up here:

<https://www.schoolsaccount.nyc/>

- 1) Go to [mystudent.nyc](http://mystudent.nyc)
- 2) Sign into your NYCSA
- 3) Select vote for CCEC
- 4) Review the list of candidates
- 5) Choose your candidates, you can vote for 3

#### **BROOKLYN NORTH HIGH SCHOOL REPORT:**

Superintendent Ross attended the UN committee on the state of women. They were discussing the way to empower women around the world, focusing on how to be digital citizens.

We wrapped up the month of March the students in action townhall to wrap up their engagement with the Brooklyn DA’s office. There was a discussion in which students were ask to think about what is important to them and what would they like the adults in education to think about and improve for them.

#### **SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT:**

New members of the district team were introduced to the community.

Shavonda Gilford, Student services manager focusing on youth development and restorative practices.

Barbie Nunez is the new Assistant to the Superintendent

Congratulations to Ava Arizari from Brooklyn Arbor received an award

D14 is showing double-digit improvements in reading proficiency.

Kindergarten placements are open

Middle school offer letters are out on April 25

Links are here:

April 17 families can apply to summer rising starting now. You can apply here:

Please fill out school surveys here: <https://surveys.panoramaed.com/nycdoe/login>

D14 will be having a movie screening on April 29th of Defining Us, a documentary looking at our nation's largest schools. Link to register for attendance is here:

Child Mind institute partnership has begun. There will be a parent session on April 29.

May 19 there will be a STEM showcase

May 23rd there will be an art festival at Brooklyn Arbor

MS 126 is working hard to reconnect with the community and its history. There will be an alumni night.

Superintendent Cintron will go out on a listening and learning tour.

The district wide curriculum is continuing and decisions on which curriculum will be chosen is coming soon.

Selena Vargas of MS 50 placed 4th in the national debate league

PS132 had several winners in the national debate league

PS16 is rebranding under the leadership of Sharice Michael Cohen. Purpose, Passion, and Power

PS250 has a parent student partnership around robotics.

We have received a trauma, informed care grant in D14 and will begin using that grant for development in the next school year.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

No public comments made.

### **Business Meeting:**

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**Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 pm**