

# COMMUNITY EDUCATION COUNCIL 14

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

Meeting started at

**Attendees Present:**

Tajh Sutton  
Sarah Sharma  
Marissa Manzanares  
Resham Mantri  
Sandra Ferreira  
Casey Laytin  
Ariana Lopez  
Aubree Henderson  
Giannina Hutchinson  
Lorraine DeAngelis

**INTRODUCTIONS AND COMMUNITY CHECK IN**

Introductions in the Chat and Community Welcoming

Welcome to our September Community Education Council meeting! Please introduce yourself in the chat with your name, school or community affiliation and preferred pronouns. Feel free to share 1 thing you are coming into the meeting with and 1 thing you hope to leave with.

Ice breaker: Describe your personality as a day of the week.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:**

Run for presidents council

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Welcome to the new & returning CEC 14 members serving 2023-2025.

Gianinna Hutchinson PS 17, Campos Ariana Lopez PS 157, PS 23

Sandra Ferreira PS 18 Sarah Sharma PS 31

Resham Mantri Brooklyn Arbor Marissa Manzanares PS 84

Casey Laytin IS 318 Tajh Sutton PS 250

Aubree Henderson D75

**SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT:**

-We are partnering with mindful schools to help the district to ensure that our schools are using a trauma sensitive and SEL approach towards our students.

Temporary location for the family welcome center is Clara Barton Highschool to support families with the application process for middle and highschools.

-Townhall series coffee with the Superintendent on October 4th from 9:00am-10:30am at Juan Morel Campos

-Schools closed 9/25 and 10/9

-NYC Reads updates, NYCs literacy initiative. Summer was spent on professional development for teachers around the science of teaching reading. D14 is partnering with teaching matters to provide literacy coaching in middle and elementary schools.

There will be parent institutes where families will be provided tech sets to take home and work with literacy at home. There will be intervention specialist to provide reading support for tier 3 interventions. They will be working with the district intervention specialists to provide additional support for the students who need it. We are working on building out a district wide 3 tiered supports for math and literacy.

We are opening a district teacher center to support our 60 new teachers and help teachers with professional development. Including lesson planning clinics around the scene of reading.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Community question, parent from ps132 commented that they have lost 2 core curriculum teachers today due to budget cuts. The parent asked that the elected officials to do all that they can to work to turn around the continuous budget cuts by the mayor.

Donovan Swanson, the Education and Engagement Analyst with Brooklyn Borough Hall [donavan.swanson@brooklynnbp.nyc.gov](mailto:donavan.swanson@brooklynnbp.nyc.gov) shared their contact to help support with budget cuts. Schools can start connecting to Donovan now to support with ResoA and capital improvements.

For literacy support, first step is classroom teacher to start with tier 1. There are secondary assessments that can be administered by the specialist. The parents can request that at any time. There will also be assessments for specialized screenings. the screener is separate from the iReady assessments.

Our brooklyn PEP member spoke about the chancellors regulations A412 that will be reworking what the role of safety agents and law enforcement in discipline. The proposed changed amendments were given for public comment over the summer. These changes are quite concerning as the base language does not assume innocence. They also want school safety agents to be participants in PTA/SLT/CEC meetings. Please direct comments to: [regulationA-412@school.nyc.gov](mailto:regulationA-412@school.nyc.gov) 212-346-5214 more information can be found here: <https://www.schools.nyc.gov/about-us/leadership/panel-for-education-policy> You can

Parent addressed concern about iReady and tech issues when using at home. Many suggestions were made from the community.

Question about DOE vendors providing specials services under RSA and IEE. It is very difficult to find vendors who will accept them. Superintendent Cintron stated that Irma

Samaron, administrator for special education can be contacted to find vendors accepting these vouchers.

Wayne Harris director of students in temporary housing can come speak to communities.

### **Business Meeting:**

Vote for Virtual Meeting Resolution:

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1E23kTuGi1ilPc-4KioF1v8dluy3o1ndmL17Deklp\\_5k/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1E23kTuGi1ilPc-4KioF1v8dluy3o1ndmL17Deklp_5k/edit)

Motion by Tajh, Second by Marissa

Vote passed.

Vote to approve bylaw changes to for CEC14

Motion by Tajh, Second by Sarah

Vote passed.

Election of officers annual meetings:

President - Tajh

VP - Marissa

Treasurer - Sarah

Recording Secretary - Aubree

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**Meeting Adjourned a 8:10 pm**