



COMMUNITY DISTRICT EDUCATION COUNCIL 30

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TO: CDEC 30 Members
Principals
PA/PTA Presidents
Parent Coordinators
Union Representatives

FROM: Community District Education Council 30

RE: November Calendar Meeting November 14, 2022

The November Calendar Meeting of Community District Education Council 30 is scheduled for **Monday, November 14, 2021 at 6:30p.m.** Due to the impact of COVID-19, the Calendar meeting of Community District Education Council 30 will not be held in-person and will instead be held via teleconference. Instructions to access the meeting can be found at the end of this notice.

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call 6:30
- III. Office of Pupil Transportation Followed by Q&A 6:40
- IV. Resolution #167 To Preserve the Rights of Community Education Councils 7:10
Resolution Follows this Agenda
- V. Resolution #168 Resolution to Amend NYS Education Law 2853 Subdivision 3. 7:20
Facilities to Expand Requirements for Public Notice and Public Hearings for
Charter School Co-locations in New Public School Buildings
Resolution Follows this Agenda
- VI. Dr. Philip A. Composto, Community Superintendent's Report 7:35
- VII. Vote to Adopt the Proposed Amendment to CDEC30 Bylaws 8:05
Proposed Amendment Follows this Agenda
- VIII. Public Agenda and Speaking Time 8:15
- IX. Adjournment

The Business Meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 21, 2022 at 6:30p.m. The next **Calendar Meeting** is scheduled for **Monday, December 12, 2022**, at 6:30 p.m. The location to be determined.

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**Community District Education Council 30 invites you to a Zoom webinar.
When: Oct 17, 2022 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)
Topic: CDEC30 Calendar Meeting**

Register in advance for this webinar:

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_177RDb3TT5WdVeLXsmC1_g

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

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número de identificación de la conferencia: 433 823 207#**

RESOLUTION #167

TO PRESERVE THE RIGHTS OF COMMUNITY EDUCATION COUNCILS

WHEREAS, the State Education Law Section 2590-c(4) gives Community Education Council 30 (CEC 30) the authority to hire an Administrative Assistant (AA) pursuant to the policies of the Panel for Educational Policy (PEP) and the City of New York; and

WHEREAS, CEC 30 is responsible for hiring, supervision, evaluation, and termination of its Administrative Assistant; and

WHEREAS, CEC 30 has learned that the NYC DOE is currently negotiating with DC37 regarding representation of the AAs to the Community and Citywide Education Councils, including CEC 30; and

WHEREAS, CEC 30 has been excluded from the collective bargaining process regarding the terms and conditions of the AA's employment, and seeks to file a related legal challenge; and

WHEREAS, New York State Education Law Section 2590-c(9) gives CEC 30 the authority to retain counsel; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that CEC 30 retain legal counsel provided by the Advocates for Justice, which shall waive attorneys' fees;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that CEC 30 join the Article 78 petition;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the members of CEC 30 authorize the CEC 30 President to represent the CEC 30 as a petitioner;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that CEC 30 authorize \$500 for various legal expenses.

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RESOLUTION #168

Resolution to Amend NYS Education Law 2853 Subdivision 3. Facilities to Expand Requirements for Public Notice and Public Hearings for Charter School Co-locations in New Public School Buildings

WHEREAS, [NYS Education Law 2853 subdivision 3. Facilities. \(a\)](#)¹ details that:

A charter school may be located in part of an existing public school building, in space provided on a private work site, in a public building or in any other suitable location. Provided, however, before a charter school may be located in part of an existing public school building, the charter entity shall provide notice to the parents or guardians of the students then enrolled in the existing school building and shall hold a public hearing for purposes of discussing the location of the charter school. A charter school may own, lease or rent its space.

WHEREAS, “an existing school building” is a building that is currently occupied by a school; and

WHEREAS, a newly constructed school building is not an “existing school building”; and

WHEREAS, charter schools can request space in any DOE building that qualifies as having available space, including newly constructed buildings; and

WHEREAS, charter schools seeking space in an existing school building must provide public notice and hold a public hearing with the potentially impacted community members; and

WHEREAS, charter schools seeking space in a new, unoccupied school building are not required to provide public notice nor hold a public hearing with the potentially impacted community members; and

WHEREAS, requiring public notice to the community and a public hearing before a charter school is located in a building that is unoccupied but designated for potential school use will allow for greater transparency and accountability in decision making within our communities and in collaboration with the DOE and SCA.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that NYS Education Law 2853 subdivision 3. Facilities be amended to require notice to the community and a public hearing before a charter school is located in a building that is unoccupied but designated for potential school use.

¹ <https://codes.findlaw.com/ny/education-law/edn-sect-2853.html>

Proposed Amendment to Bylaws:

Article III – Meetings

Section 1. Open to the Public

(Add)

All Hybrid/Virtual meetings will be recorded. The recordings will be posted/linked on the council's website no later than 5 business days after the meeting and remain there for at least 5 years. The recordings must also be transcribed upon request.

As videoconferencing will be used, the council will maintain an official website.

The meeting notice will state that a videoconferencing platform will be used and will include the meeting link and where documents will be posted/available. When possible, meeting documents will be distributed at least 24 hours in advance.

The public will also be able to view the meeting via video and, where allowed, for hybrid meetings, participate in real time on the same basis as in-person attendees. Accordingly, for hybrid meetings a strong and stable WiFi signal or telephone line is essential, as well as a good microphone, multiple laptops/iPads/tablets/telephone lines for participation. Also, barring any technical difficulties, council members must leave their cameras on while in the meetings. In addition, the technology used must meet ADA accessibility requirements.

In addition, notice of all meetings shall be given in writing (in English and other languages, as appropriate) in a form suitable for mass reproduction, to the President of every Parent Association, the Presidents' Council, and all heads of schools, to post conspicuously, and to other interested persons and organizations who express a desire to receive meeting notices.

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