**Community Education Council District 26 (CDEC26) Minutes**

**April 27, 2017**

**Location: M.S. 74 61-15 Oceania Street, Queens, NY 1136**

**Calendar Meeting**

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**Present**: Alan Ong (President), Roy Menendez (First Vice President), Bobby Thind (Second Vice President), Evelyn Schechter, Shengchao Yu, Dilip Nath, David Wong, Shajid Ali Mohammed

**Absent**: Leslie Rubenstein (excused), Michelle Liu (excused) and Wendy Pelle-Beer (unexcused)

**Also Present**: Danielle Giunta, Superintendent District 26, Kim D’Angelo, and Family Support-Coordinator.

Called to order at: 7:05. Roll call.

1. **Special Recognition for District 26 Big Apple Award Finalist:** CDEC26 acknowledged and awarded for their effort for being a leader in District 26.

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| *P.S. 18 The Winchester School* | ***Lauren Chun*** | *Fourth Grade* |
| *P.S. 186 The Castlewood School* | ***Jessica Zipkin*** | *Instructional Coach* |
| *P.S. 94 David Porter School* | ***Theresa Hoffmann*** | *Fourth Grade* |
| *P.S. 159* | ***Laurie Kemme*** | *Kindergarten* |

*Jennifer Schester, Jean Pasoda and Steven Blum are honoree’s who was unable to attend.*

1. **Superintendent’s Report:**

All subsets of students are outperforming NYS and NYC average performance in both ELA and Mathematics on State Tests.

* + NYC School Survey
    - Response rate for parents declined significantly.
    - Student satisfaction declined from 81% to 75%. However, the gap between elementary and middle school rates of satisfaction closed.
* **District Leadership Team drafted Comprehensive Educational Plan for 2016-2017- Goals include:**
  + Rigorous Instruction: Working towards ensuring equity and excellence for all; closing gaps between subgroups on proficiency standards, including embedding Chancellor’s initiatives (Algebra for all, computer classes, etc.)
  + Supportive Environment: SEL programs
  + Collaborative Teachers: Provide differentiated professional learning opportunities.
  + Effective School Leadership: continuing programs that support assistant principals, principals and student council presidents.
  + Strong Family and Community Ties: Parent D26 Challenge for parents around the district to get involved in at least one way in their school; -professional learning sessions for PCs.
* Five new principals have been placed at the schools where principals had either retired or were promoted to district level positions. All of them have begun outreach to the community members.
* Summer enrichment program was very successful; parent workshops ran simultaneously, which were well attended. August “meet and greet” for D26 parents took place; tickets for D26 Mets outing will be distributed at the start of the school year.
* Annual Student Leadership Training will be on Thursday, September 29th beginning at 4 p.m. at Martin Van Buren High School.

* **July Minutes**

Bobby Thind made a motion to approve the July minutes. Evelyn Schechter seconded the motion. All voted in favor of approving the minutes.

* **Public Comments**
* Assemblywoman Nily Rozic announced additional funds for capital improvements and asked the CDEC to spread the word and ask schools to submit requests for capital improvement.
* Jim Gallagher reminded everyone of the U.S. Tennis Open and the Arthur Ashe Kids Day.

Roy Menendez made a motion to adjourn. Shengchao Yu seconded the motion. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:50.

**Community Education Council District 26 (CDEC26) Minutes**

**August 25, 2016**

**Location: M.S. 74 61-15 Oceania Street, Queens, NY 1136**

**Business Meeting**

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**Present**: Alan Ong (President), Roy Menendez (First Vice President), Bobby Thind (Second Vice President), Leslie Rubenstein (Recording Secretary), Michelle Liu (Treasurer), Evelyn Schechter, Shengchao Yu

**Absent**: David Wong (excused), Shajid Ali Mohammed (unexcused), Wendy Pelle-Beer (unexcused), Dilip Nath (unexcused)

**Also Present**: Danielle Giunta, Superintendent District 26, Kim D’Angelo,

Meeting was called to order at 7:50. Roll call.

**President’s Report:**

* Chancellor Farina will be hosting a Town Hall on Tuesday, September 27th at 6:30 at MS74.
  + Discussion of parameters for the Town Hall meeting were discussed.
* Calendar Changes
  + Bobby made a motion to approve September 27 as the date for the CDEC meeting. Leslie seconded the motion. All approved.
* Bobby made a motion to approve May 11th as the date for the May meeting and Ballroom Dance. Evelyn seconded the motion. All approved.

Evelyn Schechter asked to revisit the rezoning for middle schools in District 26 at a later meeting this year.

Shengchao Yu made a motion to adjourn. Evelyn Schechter seconded the motion. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:15.

**Absences:**

David Wong:

Hi,

Sorry, it turns out I will not be able to attend this meeting after all...my uncle just passed away and my flight to the funeral is Thursday, Aug 23rd. Please find attached a copy of my flight itinerary:

Shajid Ali-Muhammad: Notified CDEC26 President Alan Ong

To: M S Ali  
Cc: Cec26 D26  
Subject: Re: Not back from vacation.

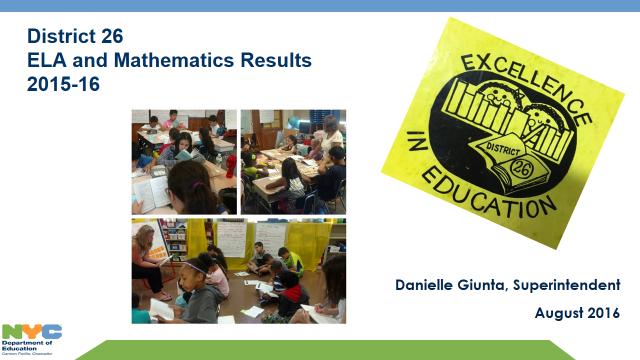
Ok Shajid. U fortunately it'll be an unexcused absence.

Enjoy your vacation.

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 25, 2016, at 6:33 PM, M S Ali <[shajidali@gmail.com](mailto:shajidali@gmail.com)> wrote:

**Ela& Math Presentation:**

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