

Hybrid Calendar and Business Meeting 08/11/2025

The July Calendar Meeting of District 30 Community Education Council was held on Monday, August 11, 2025, in person in the fifth-floor conference room at 28-11 Queens Plaza North, Long Island City, and via Zoom.

1. Calendar Meeting Call to Order

Co-President **Whitney Toussaint** called the meeting to order at **6:36 pm**.

2. Roll Call - Calendar Meeting

Secretary **Laura Simpson** completed the roll call.

- Nahounha Alexandre: Present
- Linda Chung-Leung: Present
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- Alexis Kaloyanides: Present
- Danielle Lopresti-Lee: Present
- Victoria Medelius: Present
- Estela Nguema: Present
- Marlene Rossi: Absent
- Nadeea Saeed: Present
- Laura Simpson: Present
- Whitney Toussaint: Present

3. Public Comment Session

Alejandra Roma (Remote)

Q300 Teacher **Topic: HMH Curriculum Results**

Ms. Roma, a District 30 teacher with 13 years of experience, inquired about the results of the HMH curriculum implementation across the district. She noted this was the first year teachers were expected to follow the curriculum by unit with specific timing requirements. She asked if the CEC had noticed any district-wide improvements in literacy rates and reading levels, and whether the same expectations would continue in the upcoming school year. She also mentioned having some concerns about certain texts used in the classroom.

4. Presentation: Office of District Planning

Presenters: Julianne Bozzo and Rhea Cumberbatch (remote) - *See Attached Slides*

5. Superintendent's Report

Presenter: Superintendent Lisa Hidalgo (remote) - *See Attached Slides*

6. Second Public Comment Session

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Comments from Q&A

Karen Diaz: A special education teacher at PS 92 for 21 years, Ms. Diaz was unable to speak in person due to attending a Little League game but submitted written comments. She stated that teachers and school staff work best when they have support from three key areas: first, from parents with whom they form strong partnerships since they share the same goal of student success; second, from leadership [comment appeared to cut off in the transcript].

7. Announcements

- Next CEC 30 meeting schedule pending business meeting vote.
- Panel for Education Policy meeting details (July 23rd, 6 PM, MS 131)

8. Adjournment

Whitney Toussaint called the meeting to adjourn at 8:22 pm.

Business Meeting

Co-President Victoria Medelius called Business Meeting to order at 8:39 pm.

1. Roll Call

- Nahounha Alexandre: Present
- Linda Chung-Leung: Present
- Shivani Dhir:
- Alexis Kaloyanides: Present
- Danielle LoPresti Lee: Present
- Victoria Medelius: Present
- Estela Nguema: Present
- Marlene Rossi: Present
- Nadeea Saeed: Present
- Laura Simpson: Present
- Whitney Toussaint: Present

2. Acceptance of June Minutes

Motion: Linda Chung-Leung moved to accept the June minutes. **Second:** Nadeea Saeed

Amendment: Whitney Toussaint requested to add the reason for her absence (death in family/funeral) to the June meeting attendance record. **Result:** Passed with amendment