



THE NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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PANEL FOR EDUCATIONAL POLICY
52 Chambers Street – NY, NY 10007

MINUTES OF ACTION

PUBLIC MEETING OF THE PANEL FOR EDUCATIONAL POLICY

Murry Bergtraum High School for Business Careers

411 Pearl Street

New York, NY 10038

Wednesday, August 17, 2011

6:00 PM

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Hon. Linda Lausell Bryant
Hon. Joe Chan
Hon. Dmytro Fedkowskyj
Hon. Freida Foster
Hon. Jeff Kay
Hon. Monica Major
Hon. Eduardo Martí
Hon. Lisette Nieves
Hon. Gbubemi Okotieuro
Hon. Gitte Peng
Hon. Diane Peruggia
Hon. Patrick Sullivan
Dennis M. Walcott, *Chancellor*
Michael Best, *Secretary*

Absent and Excused:

Hon. Tino Hernandez

Action was taken as indicated below:

Secretary Michael Best called the roll. All present except for Panel Members Tino Hernandez, Gbubemi Okotiero, and Diane Peruggia.

Approval of July 20, 2011 Panel Meeting Minutes of Action—*Motion to adopt the minutes of action from the July 20, 2011 Panel meeting was made by Panel Member Jeff Kay. Panel Member Freida Foster seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously. The minutes are available via link to [Panel for Educational Policy website](#).*

1. Chancellor's Update—*Presentation by Chancellor Dennis M. Walcott on sexual education. Presentation by Chief Academic Officer Shael Suransky on test scores. Panel Member Diane Peruggia joined during the Chancellor's update. No action was taken.*
2. Approval of the Annual Estimate of the Total Sum of Money Necessary to Support DOE Operations—*Panel Member Linda Lausell Bryant made a motion to adopt the resolution regarding the annual estimate of the total sum of money necessary for the operation of the city school district. Panel Member Gitte Peng seconded the motion. Following public comment, Chief Financial Officer Veronica Conforme presented on the estimated total budget. Panel Member Patrick Sullivan made a motion to amend the resolution to add \$29 million to the estimated*

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budget. Panel Member Monica Major seconded the motion. The motion to amend the estimated budget was defeated 8-3 (nay: Bryant, Chan, Foster, Kay, Martí, Nieves, Peng, Peruggia; yea: Fedkowskyj, Major, Sullivan). The Resolution Regarding the Annual Estimate of the Total Sum of Money Necessary for the Operation of the City School District was approved 9-2 (yea: Bryant, Chan, Fedkowskyj, Foster, Kay, Martí, Nieves, Peng, Peruggia; nay: Major, Sullivan). Resolution available via link to the [Panel for Educational Policy website](#).

3. *Approval of Amended Chancellor's Regulation A-670—Panel Member Jeff Kay made a motion to adopt the resolution regarding approval of proposed amendments to Chancellor's Regulation A-670, School Trips. Panel Member Joe Chan seconded the motion. No members of the general public commented on the amended regulation. Panel Member Gbubemi Okotieuro joined the meeting during Panel discussion about amended regulation A-670. The Resolution Regarding Approval of Proposed Amendments to Chancellor's Regulation A-670, School Trips was approved unanimously. Resolution available via link to the [Panel for Educational Policy website](#).*
4. *Approval of Amended Chancellor's Regulation A-755—Panel Member Jeff Kay made a motion to adopt the resolution regarding approval of proposed amendments to Chancellor's Regulation A-755, Suicide Prevention/Intervention. Panel Member Joe Chan seconded the motion. No members of the general public commented on the amended regulation. The Resolution Regarding Approval of Proposed Amendments to Chancellor's Regulation A-755, Suicide Prevention/Intervention was approved unanimously. Resolution available via link to the [Panel for Educational Policy website](#).*
5. *Approval of Contracts—Contracts Committee Chair Freida Foster stated that although the committee did not meet before the Panel meeting, she spoke with members of the committee individually and based on those discussions, recommended the Panel consider the approval of items 1, 4 through 7, 9 through 14 one resolution, item 2 on a second resolution, item 3 on a third resolution, and item 8 on a fourth resolution. Panel Member Jeff Kay moved to adopt the four resolutions. Panel Member Joe Chan seconded the motion. Panel Member Gbubemi Okotieuro made a motion to postpone the consideration of item 2. Panel Member Fedkowskyj seconded the motion. The motion to postpone item 2 was defeated 8-4 (nay: Bryant, Chan, Foster, Kay, Martí, Nieves, Peng, Peruggia; yea: Fedkowskyj, Major, Okotieuro, Sullivan). Following public comment, Executive Director of the Division of Contracts and Purchasing David Ross presented on items 2 and 3. Chief Academic Officer Shael Suransky presented on item 8. Following Panel discussion, Contract item 1 was approved unanimously with four recusals (yea: Bryant, Chan, Fedkowskyj, Kay, Major, Peng, Peruggia, Sullivan; recused: Foster, Martí, Nieves, Okotieuro). Contract item 2 was approved 8-4 (yea: Bryant, Chan, Foster, Kay, Martí, Nieves, Peng, Peruggia; nay: Fedkowskyj, Major, Okotieuro, Sullivan). Contract item 4 was approved unanimously with one recusal (yea: Bryant, Chan, Fedkowskyj, Foster, Major, Martí, Nieves, Okotieuro, Peng, Peruggia, Sullivan; recused: Kay). Contract item 3 was approved unanimously with one recusal (yea: Bryant, Chan, Fedkowskyj, Foster, Kay, Major, Martí, Nieves, Okotieuro, Peng, Peruggia; recused: Sullivan). Contract items 5-6, 9-14 were approved unanimously. The contracts for all vendors in item 7 except for Brooklyn College Child Care Services and Lehman College Child Care Services were approved unanimously. The vendors Brooklyn College Child Care Services and Lehman College Child Care Services in item 7 were approved unanimously with four recusals (yea: Bryant, Chan, Fedkowskyj, Kay, Major, Peng, Peruggia, Sullivan; recused: Foster, Martí, Nieves, Okotieuro). Panel Member Patrick Sullivan made a motion to postpone the consideration of item 8. Panel Member Monica Major seconded the motion. The motion to postpone item 8 was defeated 9-3 (nay: Bryant, Chan, Foster, Kay, Martí, Nieves, Okotieuro, Peng, Peruggia; yea: Fedkowskyj, Major, Sullivan). The contracts for all vendors in item 8 except*

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for New Visions were approved 11-1 (yea: Bryant, Chan, Fedkowskyj, Foster, Kay, Major, Martí, Nieves, Okotieuro, Peng, Peruggia; nay: Sullivan). The vendor New Visions in item 8 was approved 10-1 with one recusal (yea: Bryant, Chan, Fedkowskyj, Foster, Kay, Major, Martí, Nieves, Okotieuro, Peruggia; nay: Sullivan; recused: Peng). Contracts and resolution available via link to the [Panel for Educational Policy website](#).

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

A recording of the meeting is available here.

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