

MINUTES OF ACTION

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PUBLIC MEETING OF THE PANEL FOR EDUCATIONAL POLICY

**High School for Fashion Industries
225 West 24th Street,
New York, NY 10011
Wednesday, February 25, 2015**

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Hon. Fred Baptiste
Hon. Isaac Carmignani
Hon. T. Elzora Cleveland
Hon. Deborah Dillingham
Hon. Norm Fruchter
Hon. Vanessa Leung
Hon. Kamillah Payne-Hanks
Hon. Lori Podvesker
Hon. Robert Powell
Hon. Laura Zingmond
Hon. Miguelina Zorilla-Aristy
Courtenaye Jackson-Chase, Secretary
Carmen Fariña, Chancellor

Absent:

Hon. Roberto Soto-Carrión

Action was taken as indicated below:

Secretary Courtenaye Jackson-Chase called roll at 6:27 pm. All Panel Members were present except Panel Member Roberto Soto-Carrión.

1. Executive Session – Panel Member Laura Zingmond made a motion for the Panel to convene privately in an Executive Session. Panel Member Norm Fruchter seconded the motion. Panel Chair Leung briefly adjourned to a separate room with the Panel and returned to the stage with the Panel upon the completion of the Executive Session.

2. Approval of January 29, 2015 Panel Meeting Minutes of Action—Motion to adopt the minutes of action from the January 29, 2015 Panel meeting was made by Panel Member Norm Fruchter. Panel Member Robert Powell seconded the motion. Panel Chair Leung called for a vote. The January 29, 2015 Minutes of Action were approved unanimously.

The minutes are available via link to the [Panel for Educational Policy Website](#).

3. Chancellor's Update—Chancellor Carmen Fariña delivered general updates.
4. Approval of CSA Agreement with the City of New York—Panel Member Fruchter made a motion to adopt the Resolution Approving Proposed Agreement Made and Entered Between the City of New York and the Council of Supervisors and Administrators, Local 1, AFSA, AFL-CIO. Panel Member Lori Podvesker seconded the motion. Before calling for a vote, Panel Chair Leung allowed time for public comment. The resolution was approved unanimously.
5. Approval of Chancellor's Regulation A-413—Panel Member Lori Podvesker made a motion to adopt the Resolution Regarding Chancellor's Regulation A-413 – Use of Cell Phones and Other Electronic Devices in Schools. Panel Member Kamillah Payne-Hanks seconded the motion. The resolution was approved as follows:

1. *Resolution Regarding Chancellor's Regulation A-413--Use of Cell Phones and Other Electronic Devices in Schools was approved unanimously.*

Resolutions are available via link to the [Panel for Educational Policy Website](#).

6. Approval of Proposals for Significant Changes in School Utilization—Panel Member Fruchter motioned to adopt the resolutions for significant changes in school utilization. Panel Member Baptiste seconded the motion.

1. *Resolution Regarding the Proposed Grade Expansion of the Young Women's Leadership School of the Bronx (09X568) with Existing School I.S. 117 Joseph H. Wade Academies (09X117) in School Building X117 Beginning in the 2015-2016 School Year was approved unanimously.*

2. *Resolution Regarding the Proposed Temporary Partial Re-siting and Co-location of P.S. 46 Edgar Allen Poe (10X046) with Thomas C. Giordano M.S. 45 (10X045) in Building X045 for Four Years Beginning in the 2015-2016 School Year was approved unanimously.*

3. *Resolution Regarding the Proposed Opening and Co-Location of the Bronx Charter School for Better Learning II (84XTBD) with J.H.S. 144 Michelangelo (11X144) and Pelham Gardens Middle School (11X566) in Building X144, Beginning in the 2015-2016 School Year was approved*

10-0 (yay: Baptiste, Carmignani, Cleveland, Dillingham, Fruchter, Leung, Payne-Hanks, Podvesker, Zingmond and Zorilla-Aristy; nay: Powell).

4. Resolution Regarding the Proposed Expansion of Success Academy Charter School - Bed-Stuy 1 (84K367) in Building K033 with The School for the Urban Environment (14K330), Foundations Academy (14K322), and a District 75 Program (75K368), Beginning in the 2015-2016 School Year was approved 9-0 (yay: Baptiste, Carmignani, Dillingham, Fruchter, Leung, Payne-Hanks, Podvesker, Powell, Zorilla-Aristy; nay: Cleveland and Zingmond).

5. Resolution Regarding the Proposed Co-location of the High School Grades of Achievement First Bushwick (84K538) and the High School Grades of Achievement First East New York (84K358) with Existing Schools I.S. 347 School of Humanities (32K347) and I.S. 349 Math, Science and Tech. (32K349) in Building K111 Beginning in 2015-2016 was approved unanimously.

6. Resolution Regarding the Proposed Opening and Co-Location of a New Site of an Existing District 75 School P396K (75K396) with P.S. 181 Brooklyn (17K181) in Building K181 Beginning in 2015-2016 was approved unanimously.

7. Resolution Regarding the Proposed Re-Siting and Co-location of Global Neighborhood Secondary School (04M381) with P.S. 96 Joseph Lanzetta (04M096) in Building M096 Beginning in the 2015-2016 School Year was approved unanimously.

8. Resolution Regarding the Proposed Grade Expansion of the Robert F. Wagner Jr. Secondary School for Arts and Technology (24Q560) from a 7-12 to a 6-12 School in Building Q891 Beginning in the 2015-2016 School Year was approved unanimously.

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7. Approval of Contracts—Panel member Robert Powell presented the Contracts Committee recommendations to the Panel. The Contracts Committee met on Monday, February 23, 2015. The Committee unanimously recommended the approval of items 1-28. Before motioning to adopt the resolutions, Executive Director of Contracts and Purchasing, David Ross read text into the minutes. The text read as follows:

To be read into the minutes of the February 25, 2015 Panel for Educational Policy meeting by David Ross, Executive Director, Division of Contracts and Purchasing.

I note that I have provided Panel members with technical changes to universal pre-kindergarten contracts that have been approved by this and previous Panel meetings and that these changes have been posted on the web.

At its meeting on October 29th, 2014, the Panel approved a contract with Sam Ash Music Corporation to repair musical instruments. Thereafter, and prior to the signing of the contract, Sam Ash Music provided a revised budget reflecting the actual numbers of instruments that were inventoried, assessed, and repaired for NYC schools. Due to the conditions of the collected instruments, only 2,065 instruments were salvaged vis-à-vis the 3,065 indicated on the RA. Accordingly, the following changes have been made to the above mentioned RA:

- 1. Estimated Contract Amount: old amount - \$190,775 to **new amount \$152,976.***
- 2. The Contract Term was extended to cover the registering of the contract and the processing of the purchase order to pay for these services.
 - a. Old contract term: 7/1/14-2/28/15 to **new contract term 7/1/14 – 6/30/15****
- 3. The Contract Type was changed from Full Value to **Requirements** to allow for adjustments based on the conditions of the musical instruments. Unit pricing has not changed.*

The DOE has amended the Request for Authorization accordingly.

At its meeting on October 30, 2013, the Panel approved a contract with Equifax Workforce Solutions, Inc. (Formerly TALX Corporation) for unemployed insurance processing services. The vendor's legal name is TALX Corporation, A Provider of Equifax Workforce Solutions.

Panel Member Dillingham motioned to adopt items 1-12, 14-26 and 28 into two resolutions. Panel Member Cleveland seconded the motion. The Panel voted on the contract items, which were approved as follows:

- 1. Resolution 1: Items 1-10, 14-26 and 28 was approved unanimously.*
- 2. Resolution 2: Items 11 and 12 was approved 10-0 (yay: Baptiste, Carmignani, Cleveland, Dillingham, Fruchter, Leung, Payne-Hanks, Podvesker, Zingmond and Zorilla-Aristy; nay: Powell).*

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The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:45 p.m.

A recording of the meeting is available [here](#).