



THE NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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PANEL FOR EDUCATIONAL POLICY
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MINUTES OF ACTION

PUBLIC MEETING OF THE PANEL FOR EDUCATIONAL POLICY

MS 131
100 Hester Street
New York, NY 10002
Wednesday, July 20, 2011
6:00 PM

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Hon. Linda Lausell Bryant
Hon. Dmytro Fedkowskyj
Hon. Freida Foster
Hon. Tino Hernandez
Hon. Jeff Kay
Hon. Monica Major
Hon. Eduardo Martí
Hon. Gbubemi Okotieuro
Hon. Gitte Peng
Hon. Patrick Sullivan
Dennis M. Walcott, *Chancellor*
Michael Best, *Secretary*

Absent and Excused:

Hon. Joe Chan
Hon. Lisette Nieves
Hon. Diane Peruggia

Action was taken as indicated below:

Secretary Michael Best called the roll. All present except for Panel Members Joe Chan, Freida Foster, Gbubemi Okotieuro, Lisette Nieves, and Diane Peruggia.

Approval of June 27, 2011 Panel Meeting Minutes of Action—*Motion to adopt the minutes of action from the June 27, 2011 Panel meeting was made by Panel Member Jeff Kay. Panel Member Eduardo Martí 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 parent and community engagement. Presentation by Deputy Chancellor David Weiner and Deputy Chancellor Marc Sternberg on School Improvement Grants. Presentation by Deputy Chancellor Kathleen Grimm on the Summer Meals Program. Panel Member Gbubemi Okotieuro joined during the Chancellor's update. No action was taken.*
2. Arts Advisory Committee Report and Recommendations—*Musical performance by the Department of Education Summer Arts Institute. Presentation by Chairman of the Arts Advisory Committee to the Panel for Educational Policy, Jerrold Ross, on recommendations concerning*

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arts education. Panel Member Freida Foster joined during the Arts Advisory Committee Report. No action was taken.

3. Approval of Contracts—*Contracts Committee Chair Linda Lausell Bryant 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, 6 through 8, and 10 on one resolution and item 5 on a second resolution. Following public comment, Executive Director of the Division of Contracts and Purchasing David Ross presented on item 5. Following Panel discussion, Panel Member Jeff Kay moved to adopt the two resolutions. Panel Member Dmytro Fedkowskyj seconded the motion. Contract items 1, 6 through 8, and 10 were approved unanimously. Item 4 was approved 9-0 with one abstention (yea: Bryant, Fedkowskyj, Foster, Hernandez, Kay, Major, Martí, Okotieuro, Peng; abstention: Sullivan). Item 5 was approved 9-0 with one recusal (yea: Bryant, Fedkowskyj, Foster, Hernandez, Kay, Major, Martí, Okotieuro, Peng; recused: Sullivan). Contracts and resolutions are available via link to the [Panel for Educational Policy website](#).*

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

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

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