

**BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD 6  
YOUTH/HUMAN SERVICES/EDUCATION COMMITTEE  
MARCH 25, 2015**

**PRESENT:**

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| A. FAIOLA    | E. FELDER    | R. FREEMAN |
| T. JACKSON   | J. LI        | D. RAMOS   |
| A. SHEFRIN   | B. SOLOTAIRE | S. TURET   |
| R. UNDERWOOD |              |            |

**EXCUSED:**

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| P. BELLENBAUM | R. CERVONE | K. ENO |
| M. SCOTT      |            |        |

**ABSENT:**

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| A. ANANTHARAMAN | F. BROWN | E. CAUSIL-RODRIGUEZ |
| L. HILL         | F. JEAN  | C. PETERSEN         |

**GUESTS:**

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| A. MINGUEZ | D. GOLDSMITH | J. PAUTZ |
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**\*\*\*MINUTES\*\*\***

**Presentation and discussion with representatives from Community Education Councils 13 & 15.**

David Goldsmith, President of CEC District 13 made the presentation. A rally is planned for March 28. CEC 13 faces high-stakes testing.

High-stakes testing does not work. The Governor's plan includes testing to be 50% of teacher's evaluation – 15% would be Principal evaluation. Cuomo's plan would also bring people from Albany to NYC to fix schools.

NYC schools are owed \$2.3 billion from Campaign for Fiscal Equity. CEC 13 has schools owed over \$1 million. CEC 13 rejects the Governor's education plan. It has a resolution opposing the plan.

- Governor has said he is here to break the monopoly of public education
- Larger cities are against the Governor's plan
- For Charter Schools – NYC must provide space or rent space at market rates
- Governor wants to increase Charter cap
- 6 out of 15 New York State residents against Governor's plan

Mayor Bloomberg developed a bad teacher evaluation system. It's still bad and Cuomo's proposal would make it worse. The Community Education Council and the Community Board need to work closely, with quarterly or twice a year joint meetings.

**Discussion on resolutions**

- City schools are failing – we need some accountability
- Principals are too focused on tests
- We need data but it's not a real assessment of talent
- Principals can work with teachers and make them better or let them go
- State must release money owed to schools
- Evaluation can be done by Principals

Motion was made by Ben Solotaire and seconded by Suzanne Turet.

**VOTE: 9.....YEAS 0.....NAYS 1.....ABSTENTION**

Resolution passed as written by CEC 13 but resolved by CB6.

A motion was made by Suzanne Turet to approve the minutes of the last meeting held on February 25, 2015

All approved.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned.