



Community Education Council District 21 Special Education Committee Meeting

Committee Members: **Elizabeth Rodriguez-Perez** **Amy Chen** **Jay Brown** **Petra Remy** **Priscilla Santos** **Randi Garay**
Committee Chair

VIRTUAL MEETING (VIDEOCONFERENCING)

DATE: Tuesday, March 26th

Location: Virtual via Zoom

ZOOM Link: <https://nycdoe.zoom.us/j/93530991723?pwd=VVIPS3dlVklFc3VNemwrbXU4OFpDdz09>

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Committee Meeting 6:00 PM

1. Call to Order **6:05pm**

2. Roll Call

(Elizabeth Rodriguez-Perez, Amy Chen, Jay Brown, Petra Remy)

Also in attendance: Steve Washington (D21 AA), School/Parent Reps, Public Official Representatives

3. New Business

- a. Discussing Busing Issues *We had Sara join us from the organization, Parents to Improve School Transportation. An overview of the parent/guardian group, their active initiatives, ways you can advocate, and helpful links were all provided. Information about resolutions drafted with other districts was also provided, and links shared are all below for quick reference. This presentation was hosted to address a concern that arose in our last meeting around busing issues in the district.*

Those experiencing bus issues should report those issues to OPT, and be sure to keep the ticket numbers. If you are experiencing recurring issues or have larger issues impacting the area, parents/guardians may also contact their local officials, and/or send emails to the Department of Education with their local reps in copy.

- b. Continued Committee Project Discussion
 - i. Recap from our last meeting *We shared a recap of all of the information that was provided, and ideas that were proposed at our January 30th meeting.*
 - ii. Refresher on the Scope for the Special Education Committee
 - iii. Restating the Scope for the Group: 3K-8th Grade in District 21, D75 CEC Representation
 - iv. Tentatively Calendared Meeting Dates (Friday, June 21st, 12pm-1:30pm)
 - v. Reviewing Survey Responses for Committee Projects
 1. Top Items from Feedback
 - a. Collecting resources for afterschool/weekend enrichment activities for students with special needs
 - b. Spotlighting Best Practices Across D21 Schools

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- c. Pending Budget Cuts and Understanding the Implication to Special Education Services
2. Deciding on items to work on through June
3. Confirming Next Steps for Selected Projects
 - a. *Liz to share [the resource document](#) with the group so that we can continue to flesh it out.*
 - b. *We will explore how to highlight and share best practices from across the district, and can potentially dedicate a meeting to that purpose (themed meeting)*

c. General Public Comment/Questions

4. Adjournment

*- **Helpful Links:** there were a series of helpful links that were shared during the meeting and are shared below.*

[Parents to Improve School Transportation \(Parent Group\)](#)

[Resources Page](#)

[Link to Special Education Resources Document](#)

f. General Public Comment/Questions

None were raised

5. Adjournment

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