

Chelsea Community Schools Advisory Board Meeting

Recreation & Cultural Affairs Division

Meeting Minutes

February 17, 2021 5:00 - 6:00

Williams School Building, 180 Walnut St, Chelsea, MA

Members: Christopher Marroquin, Vanesa Mendoza-Mercado, Alice Murillo, Kevin Sandoval, Mohamed Qasim,

Staff: Bea Cravatta, Omar Miranda

I. Welcome and Minutes Approval

- January Minutes approved 1st by Alice and 2nd Mohamed - all approved

II. FY22 Goals & Initiatives

- Recreation and Culture Affairs Division Goals under the HHS department
- Review of Chelsea Community Schools program history
 - Creation of schools took green space
 - The receivers (BU) said the schools could be used by the people
 - Memorandum in 1995 - Schools are center of community life
 - 2018 the Agreement was redone to include Clark Avenue

III. Goals and initiatives

- Refer to WMS and CAMS as centers of community life - instead of CCS
 - Creates the distinction between school during school hours vs community hours
 - Changes of name provide different lens/perspective of our services
 - Voting on recommendation to change program name from Chelsea Community Schools to community
 - Motion to vote: First Mohamed and second by Alice
 - All approved, recommendation to change name unanimously approved by the board
 - Thinking of marketing of name change for example when answering phones

IV. Spring 2021 programming

- Over 600 people registered
- Martial arts (45 kids in each session) and high attendance

V. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn: 1st:Vanesa 2nd: Mohammed

Meeting adjourned at 6:15

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 9, 2021 at 5:30 (Virtual)

Recorder: Vanesa Mendoza-Mercado

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