



Community Education Council 24

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Resolution No. 179

Resolution to Acknowledge Vacated Seat Due to Noncompliance with Attendance and Training Requirements

Matthew Crescio, Sponsor

Ms. Mati Gonzalez resigned as Queens Borough Appointee at midnight on April 21, 2025.

WHEREAS, Ms. Mati Gonzalez was duly appointed by Queens Borough President Donovan Richards as a member of Community Education Council District 24 (CEC24) for the 2023–2025 term, commencing on July 1, 2023, and scheduled to end on June 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, since the commencement of this term, CEC24 has held multiple regularly scheduled and special meetings, with proper notice provided to all members, including Ms. Mati Gonzalez, by the Administrative Assistant and/or FACE liaison; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Mati Gonzalez has failed to attend the following regularly scheduled monthly meetings without submitting a valid written excuse, as required by Chancellor’s Regulation D-140 and the CEC24 bylaws:

- October 2024
- January 2025
- February 2025
- March 2025

WHEREAS, Ms. Mati Gonzalez has not attended a single CEC24 meeting in person since October 2024, further demonstrating a lack of active participation and engagement; and

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WHEREAS, Ms. Mati Gonzalez has also been absent from special meetings and check-ins held in collaboration with FACE, which, while not mandated under NYS Education Law or Chancellor’s Regulations, are recognized as essential components of a member’s responsibilities and



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engagement with CEC24; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Mati Gonzalez has not completed the mandatory training sessions required for all council members, in violation of NYS Education Law and Chancellor's Regulations, which clearly state that members must fulfill training obligations to serve effectively; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chancellor's Regulation D-140 and CEC24 bylaws, any council member who fails to attend three meetings without providing a valid written excuse shall be deemed to have vacated their seat due to refusal to serve;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of Community Education Council District 24 formally acknowledge that Ms. Mati Gonzalez has failed to meet the obligations of her role, and as such, is no longer in compliance with the requirements of her appointment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Ms. Mati Gonzalez's seat in Community Education Council District 24 shall be considered vacated effective immediately in accordance with the applicable Chancellor's Regulations and council bylaws.

Ms. Mati Gonzalez resigned on April 21, 2025 at midnight.