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Dear Parent Advisory Board Members:

The next meeting of the Parent Advisory Board will be held on **Tuesday, March 21, 2017** at 6:00pm in Queens Borough Hall located at 120-55 Queens Boulevard, Kew Gardens, NY – Room 200. All parents and educators are invited to attend this informative meeting. We will host a presentation by the School Construction Authority (SCA) on the proposed 2015-2019 Five-year Capital Plan. In addition, the Department of Education (DOE) Division of Family and Community Engagement will explain how parents can become involved with the Community Education Councils (CECs).

Two guest speakers from the School Construction Authority will present the SCA 2015-2019 Five-year Capital Plan. Ben Goodman is the Manager of Community Relations and handles Queens' community boards within School Districts 27, 28, and 29. Michael Mirisola is the Director of External Affairs and handles Queens' community boards within School Districts 24, 25, 26, and 30. The SCA presentation will detail plans to create new school facilities and to improve infrastructure of existing buildings. In addition, the planned distribution of funding to meet local and City requirements will be expanded upon. This plan will invest in the future of New York City's public schools, as we continue to work to address issues of overcrowding and to prepare for enrollment growth.

Ayesha George is the Parent Leadership Liaison in the Division of Family and Community Engagement at the DOE. Ms. George will explain the process of applying for a position on a school district CEC and demonstrate the role of CECs in passing education resolutions and providing funding to public schools. Each CEC oversees a community school district that includes public elementary, intermediate, and junior high schools.

Please share this invitation, as the meeting is open to the public. Please RSVP via email at [education@queensbp.org](mailto:education@queensbp.org) or via phone at 718-286-2850.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Melinda Katz". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

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