



**THE CITY OF NEW YORK
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Disciplinary Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 6, 2023

Lamont Parker, Disciplinary Committee Chairperson

The Disciplinary Committee met on February 6, 2023 via Zoom Audio and Video Conference. The following board members were present at the meeting: Frank Franz, Laura James, Lamont Parker, and Floretta O'Brien.

The Disciplinary Committee discussed the Bronx Community Board #6's By-Laws regarding the governing committee membership, and drafted an amendment as follows:

Article III Sec. 4 – An appointed member may be removed for cause by the Borough President or by a majority of the appointed members of the Board. Cause shall include three consecutive absences from meetings or the absence from more than one-half of the meetings in a period of any one year; lack of participation or attendance at more than half of committee meetings within a year, lack of attendance at three consecutive committee meetings, or failure to sign up for a committee within 60 days of appointment to the board, or misrepresenting the Board.

The Disciplinary Committee then entered executive session and Board Member Floretta O'Brien left the meeting. The Disciplinary Committee reviewed the current seven members who have failed to sign up for a committee, despite announcements at community board meetings and emails sent this fall. The committee also asked that a letter be sent out notifying members that they have yet to join a committee, that a by-law amendment has been proposed, and that the committee may choose to enforce the new by-law retroactively once it takes effect. A retroactive application would mean that the committee could choose to review attendance at all committee meetings since September, ask to meet with members in violation of the policy, and could potentially make a motion for removal based on an investigation.

The Disciplinary Committee then discussed the need to have members sit as one body, with no members sitting in the audience. Committee members expressed concern that board members are not able to represent the Board or vote by hand if they are sitting in the audience. Laura James offered to propose a by-law amendment regarding member seating to address this issue in the near future.