

## THE CITY OF NEW YORK BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD 6

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## **LGBQI/TGNB Committee Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, February 14, 2023 John Barczak, LGBQI/TGNB Committee Chairperson

The LGBQI/TGNB Committee met on February 14, 2023 via Zoom Audio and Video Conference. The following board members were present at the meeting: John Barczak, Cornell Brown, Frank Franz, Lanell Gardenhire, Laura James, Magdamary Marcano, Reggie Powell and Carol Robinson.

The LGBQI/TGNB Committee discussed the following information:

## Discussion on committee future committee actives

The LGBQI/TGNB Committee discussed strategies to best use and integrate existing LGBQI/TGNB resources within the district into the work of Bronx Community Board #6. The committee will be reaching out to Services & Advocacy for GLBT Elders (SAGE), to inquire about communication with social workers, and to ensure that tailored mental health care for LGBQI/TGNB community members is available and accessible to individuals in our district. The committee also discussed the possibility of designating a specific section in the Bronx Community Board #6's Resource Directory for LGBQI/TGNB safe businesses, and hosting a celebratory community event were proposed and considered. The committee recognizes that there is a need for more outreach and awareness regarding resources available in the district, especially for the LGBQI/TGNB community. Therefore, the committee will begin to draft a handout regarding what it means to have a LGBQI/TGNB safe space to give businesses, alongside an item to signify to the public that a business is a safe space.