

THE CITY OF NEW YORK BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD 6 1932 Arthur Avenue, Room 403-A, Bronx, NY 10457

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TO:	All Interested Parties
FROM:	Ms. Evonne Capers, Board Chairperson
DATE:	Wednesday, January 29, 2025
RE:	Upcoming Community Board General Meeting

Please be advised that the next meeting of Bronx Community Board #6 will be held as follows:

DATE:	Wednesday, February 19, 2025
LOCATION:	West Farms Library 2085 Honeywell Avenue Bronx, New York 10460
TIME:	6:30 PM

The tentative agenda for the meeting is attached to this notice.



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BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD 6 Meeting agenda for February 19, 2025

- I. CALL TO ORDER: Ms. Evonne Capers, Chairperson
- II. INVOCATION
- III. COMMUNITY PERIOD

Pursuant to the New York City Charter, a portion of each community board meeting is set aside for the purpose of hearing comments from the general public. Individuals wishing to take advantage of this opportunity are asked to register in advance by completing a speaker's card that will be available at the meeting's information and registration table. All speakers are asked to limit their comments to no more than three minutes.

- IV. BRONX BOROUGH PRESIDENT'S REPORT
- V. ELECTED OFFICIALS' REPORTS
- VI. PRESENTATION FROM CONFLICT OF INTEREST BOARD
- VII. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT: Ms. Evonne Capers, Chairperson
- VIII. DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT: Mr. Rafael Moure-Punnett, District Manager
- IX. TREASURER'S REPORT: Ms. Magdamary Marcano, Treasurer
- X. COMMITTEE REPORTS
- XI. INVESTIGATION REPORT
- XII. ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE
- XIII. ADOPTIONS OF MOTIONS
- XIV. ADJOURNMENT

PROPOSED MOTIONS FOR FEBRUARY 19, 2025

(Motions are subject to change.)

- 1. A motion to adopt the minutes of Bronx Community Board 6's January 2025 Community Board and February 2025 Committee Meetings.
- 2. A motion to amend Bronx Community Board 6's By-Laws to require that any notice to the Chairperson be submitted in writing to the district office. Such change will result in adding a new section, Section 2, Article V of the By-Laws.

Article V, Section 2 of Bronx Community Board #6's By-Laws would read as follows:

"Sec. 2 – Board members are required to submit any notice to the Chairperson in writing to the district office."

- 3. A motion to authorize a letter of comment on the Fiscal Year 2026 Preliminary Budget District Needs Statement. DONE
- 4. A motion to issue a letter to the New York City Department of Sanitation requesting that agency provide the capital funds for new trash containers for groups conducting supplement trash collection as described in Chapter 1, Title 16, Section 1-12 of the Rules of the City of New York. DONE
- 5. A motion to issue a letter to the State of New York's representatives representing the Bronx McCarton center regarding issues regarding the EI-Hub system. DONE
- 6. A motion to adopt the recommendations of Carmen Rivera from the investigation into absentees and discipline.
- 7. A motion to approve the following language for the Happy Land Memorial sign: DONE

"Happy Land Memorial – Crotona Parkway Malls

Who is this memorial dedicated to?

This memorial is dedicated to the memory of the 87 individuals who died on March 25, 1990, in a fire at the Happy Land Social Club. Located across the street at 1959 Southern Boulevard, the club catered to a largely local clientele of Latin American heritage with origins predominantly in Honduras, but also El Salvador, Guatemala, Ecuador, Dominican Republic, and Puerto Rico. Many were Garifuna, Afro-Indigenous people from the Caribbean region. In the early morning hours of that fateful day, a man set the fire intending to harm his estranged girlfriend, he was later convicted of 87 counts of murder. The fire consumed the crowded club, whose owner had been cited with multiple building fire code violations.

How was this memorial created?

Following the tragedy, there was wide consensus that the victims be honored by a local memorial. The project was a city-funded NYC Parks capital project advanced in collaboration with the office of the Bronx Borough President and the Federation of Honduran Organizations of New York.

Designed by Honduran immigrant Jose Antonio Velasquez, the memorial consists of a fenced plaza with seating that features a central rose-colored granite obelisk inscribed with the names of those who perished in the fire, and a commemorative tribute. It was dedicated on June 17, 1995."

8. Other motions (if any).