



**THE CITY OF NEW YORK
BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD 6**

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Youth and Education Committee Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, September 18, 2019
Lanell Gardenhire, Co-Chairperson
Audrey Harden, Co-Chairperson

The Youth and Education Committee met on Wednesday, September 18, 2019 at the Bronx Community Board #6's district office located at 1932 Arthur Avenue, Room 403-A. At this meeting, the following members were present: Evonne Capers, Nicole Carter, Nelson Chimilio, Margarita Espinosa, Lanell Gardenhire, Audrey Harden, Matthew Martinez, Michael Nelson, Jorge Ortiz, and Gil Simmons.

The following items were discussed:

- **Presentation by the Child Development Center of MMCC**

Ms. Nancy Stombaugh introduced herself as the Education Director of Child Development Center of MMCC at their new development located at 887 Crotona Park North that is opening in October. She also announced that they will be expanding from 3 sites to 5 sites and they are searching for children of ages 3 to 4 years old to fill the 48 available seats.

- **Community Boards Enhancement Initiative Funding Guidelines**

In the Fiscal 2020 Adopted Operating Budget, the City Council, for the second consecutive year allocated supplemental funding each of the 59 Community Boards through the Community Boards Enhancement Initiative. The initiative grants each of the Community Boards an additional \$42,500 in Other than Personal Services funding. All purchases with a value of \$10,000 or more should be approved by a vote of the full Community Board. The money cannot go towards staff salaries, food purchases or one time supply items, but can go towards community event like bouncy houses, paid internship programs, Information technology upgrades, community outreach, professional development, consultants and office-wide upgrades. In order for the City Council to evaluate the efficacy of the initiative, each community board will be required to report on the use, or intended use, of the City's Council's discretionary funding. Similar to last year, the City Council will provide a survey mid-year, which all Community Board must complete and return to the Council.

- **Other Items**

Mr. Wilfredo Mercado from the Bronx District Attorney Darcel Clark's office presented on the initiatives that their office is leading, including free anti-bullying workshops, and Saturday night basketball programming at the Webster PAL located at 2255 Webster Avenue (East 183rd Street) from 6 PM to 10 PM.

The committee also discussed working on voter registration and preregistration events for youth in the coming months.

The next Youth and Education Committee meeting will be on Wednesday, October 16th, 2019 at 6:30PM at the Bronx Community Board #6's district office located at 1932 Arthur Avenue, Room 403-A.

Honorable Ritchie Torres,
City Council Member, 15th Council District

Honorable Rafael Salamanca Jr.,
City Council Member, 17th Council District