



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

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Honorable Ruben Diaz Jr., Bronx Borough President

MS. EVONNE CAPERS
Board Chairperson

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District Manager

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Ms. Evonne Capers, Board Chairperson

Thursday, March 19, 2020

Executive Committee Members Present: Evonne Capers, Michael Nelson, Jannie Armstrong, Virginia Bird, Margarita Espinosa, Lisa Sanchez, and Carrie Taft.

Chairperson Evonne Capers explained that at a meeting at the Borough President's Office in January, the Mayor's Office of Management and Budget decided that Community Boards could deal with personnel salaries in two ways: Vote on each individual action each time, or designate the Board Chairperson to have that authority. Chairperson Capers recommended that the Board designate her the authority to determine personnel salary increases based on potential budget surpluses in the board budget. This would also eliminate public arguments about personnel at general board meetings. She proposed an amendment to our by-laws stating the following: "*The Chairperson is also designated by the community board to make personnel decisions regarding Community Board employee salary increases.*"

District Manager John Sanchez explained that due to good budgeting, the Community Board has an extra \$13,000, with a portion that could be used to accommodate salary increases. Even with salary increases, there would be funds left over. However, due to the recent COVID-19 pandemic, there may no longer be a budget surplus.

The Executive Committee recommended the amendment to our by-laws for approval by the full board with 6 in favor and 1 opposed.

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

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