



BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD 8

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MEETING NOTICE LAW, RULES & ETHICS COMMITTEE

OFFICERS:

Vice Chairperson

Bob Bender

Secretary

Robert Jacklosky

Treasurer

Diomarys Escaño-Bell

DATE: Monday, January 10, 2022

TIME: 7:00 PM

LOCATION: Join Zoom Video Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2114033690>

Join Zoom Phone Conference Meeting:

Tel. No.: **(646) 558-8656** Pin: **2114033690#**

COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

Aging

Daniel Padernacht

Budget

David Gellman

Economic Development

Nicholas R. Fazio

Education, Libraries & Cultural Affairs

Sylvia Alexander

Environment & Sanitation

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Theodore R. Morris II

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Law, Rules & Ethics

Martin Wolpoff

Parks & Recreation

Ramdat Singh

Public Safety

Edward Green

Traffic & Transportation

Debra Travis

Youth

Julia Gomez

AGENDA

1. Introduction of committee members and Guests
2. Martin Wolpoff, Chair, Dan Padernacht, Vice-Chair, Sylvia Alexander, Kelli Buford, Lisa Daub, Paul Ellis, Steve Froot, David Gellman, Rosemary Ginty, Louis Lopez, Omar Murray
3. Approval of minutes
 - a. Correction – Add Guests: Camelia Tepelus, Tania Ochoteco
4. Direction given to the Education Committee concerning resolution on behalf of the Community Board
5. Wording offered to Executive and full Board meeting on filling midterm vacancies. Upon the vacancy of any Officer or elected Committee Chair position as the result of death, resignation or termination, the expression of interest by any community board member in seeking election to the position will not be made public before 10 days after the effective date of such vacancy. **Expressions of interest** may be submitted at any time up to the time of the election to fill such vacancy. A vote to fill such vacancy shall be taken not later than at the second regular meeting following the creation of the vacancy. At the election to fill the vacancy, all nominations will be made from the floor.
6. Public notice of resolutions
7. Establishing Rules for public participation at Committee/Board Meetings
 - a. "To put the issue in perspective, the Open Meetings Law gives the public the right to attend, listen and observe the performance of public officials during meetings of public bodies. That statute, however, is silent with respect to public participation. If a public body does not want the public to speak during its meetings, a policy or rule to that effect would be valid. Many public bodies, however, permit limited public participation, and when they do so, this office has advised that rules should be adopted and that any such rules must be reasonable and treat members of the public equally." OML AO 5607
 - b. Rules under consideration
 - i. Conditions under which members of the public may speak
 - ii. Conditions under which non-committee Board members may speak
 - iii. Time limits for debate in total or on specific items
 - iv. Establish a schedule of order categories for speakers
 - v. When can elected officials be invited to speak?
 - vi. Establish time limits for categories of speakers
 - vii. Can speakers be limited to specific items?
 - viii. Can time limits be modified or ended
 - c. Committee agreed that:
 - i. Rules need not be consistent across all committees
 - ii. Rules need to be announced at the beginning of each meeting so that members of the public know what to expect
 - iii. This item will be more deeply discussed at the January meeting
8. Information from the COIB
9. New York City Council Spreadsheet.
10. Old Business
11. New Business
12. Next meeting – February 14

Martin Wolpoff, chair
Law, Rules & Ethics Committee