

Bronx Community Board 8
Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting
Bronx Community Board 8 Office
December 3, 2025 7:00pm

Committee Members Present

(16): Sylvia Alexander (ADA), Debby Allen, Bob Bender, Sebastian Chittilapilly, Dr. Wayne Debeatham, Margaret Della, Edward Green, Rhashida Hilliard, Barbara Kail, Joy Campbell Priveterre, Daniel Rowen, Laura Spalter, Caesar Tobar-Acosta, Debra Travis, Sergio Villaverde, and Martin Wolpoff

Staff Present

(1): Ardy Malziu

Committee Members and Staff Absent

Absent (4): Charles Moerdler, Constance Barnes-Watson, Julie Reyes, Farrah Kule Rubin

Guests

None.

Vice Chair Villaverde convened the meeting at 7:06pm and welcomed Board Members and guests.

Roll Call

Quorum met

Approval of Executive Committee Minutes: October 29, 2025

Minutes unanimously approved as amended.

Chairperson's Report

None.

Treasurer Report

November 2025 Treasurer's Report

District Manager (DM) Report

None.

Committee Reports:

Board Members are reminded to read resolutions prior to meeting. [Board Calendar](#).

- Aging - Meeting 12/11 at Amalgamated NORC and will review the senior resource guide.
- Budget - Next meeting 1/7/26 to discuss and approve FY28 Budget timeline.

- Economic Development - Met 12/2 held at Artizen. Lehman College presented on SPS/Adult Education. Will follow up with Broadway Corridor businesses. Next meeting 1/6/26.
- Education, Libraries, & Cultural Affairs - Presentation from Principal from In-Tech Academy/PS368. Discussed cell phone ban. Next meeting 1/17/26.
- Environment & Sanitation - Meeting on 11/19, DEP presented on storm water prevention plan. Committee discussed complaints on sanitation tickets and pet waste around the Jerome Reservoir. Next meeting 1/21/26.
- Health, Hospitals & Social Services - Met 11/12 presentation on fentanyl harm reduction. Next meeting 12/10.

Community Associate Search Committee Report

Motion requested to go into Executive Session Based on Open Meetings Law (OML) 105.F

Executive Session OML 105F for personnel matters at 7:47pm.

Misc. Out of Executive Session. Resolution will be presented to the Full Board on December 9, 2025 for the hiring of Community Associate.

- Housing - Met 11/24 and discussed Tenant Opportunity to Purchase Act. Next meeting 12/22 presentation from HPD Regional Director.
- Land Use -Met 11/6. Resolution on Hebrew Home renewal of application to repair of continuous care retirement community. City of Yes updated - expedited ULURP - Committee asked for more time to review.
- LRE - Next meeting February. Brief discussion of COIB regarding committee member living adjacent to recent issue before the Board and ability to vote.
- Parks & Rec - Next meeting 12/11 presentation from Forestry Department and discussion on Van Cortlandt Park restroom and Amalgamated street trees.
- Public Safety - Next meeting 12/9. Eight resolutions for consideration at the next Regular Board meeting:
 - New York State Liquor Authority (SLA) → RENEWAL APPLICATIONS
 - William E. Irwin Jr. Post 774 American Legion Inc., located at 3035-37 Corlear Ave
 - La Villa 240 W Corp, located at 240 West 231st Street,
 - Montezuma Mexican Restaurant, located at 119 West Kingsbridge Road
 - The Barbecue Pit, located at 5788 Mosholu Avenue
 - Emiliano's, located at 5626A Mosholu Avenue
 - New York State Liquor Authority (SLA) → NEW APPLICATIONS
 - Metate Corp, located at 3515 Johnson Avenue
 - New York State Liquor Authority (SLA) → METHOD OF OPERATION CHANGE
 - Riverdale Steak House, located at 5700 Riverdale Avenue
 - New York State Office of Cannabis Management (OCM) → NEW APPLICATION
 - Joker City LLC (DBA Indoor Treez) located at 5614 Broadway
- Traffic & Transportation (T&T) - Met 11/20. Discussed DDC W254th street. MTA did not show. Next meeting 12/18.
- Youth - Met 11/17 to discuss handbook, vice chairs. Next meeting 12/15.
- Special Committee on Hudson River Greenway - 1/8/26 proposed meeting to discuss MTA resiliency project along Hudson Line.

- Special Committee on Racial Equity (SCRE) - Next meeting 12/4 to discuss recommendations to standing committees on Broadway Corridor. Public Safety to follow up on hate speech graffiti on local business. NYPD says complaint is closed.
- Special Committee on Veterans Services (SCVS) - NYC Veterans presentation on veterans benefits/economic development. Next meeting to be set early 2026. More names into Memorial Grove.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

Discussed recent increase in robberies around the Jerome Reservoir and NYPD assistance.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. The Vice Chairperson adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:43 pm.

Next Executive Meeting 1/7/26 at 7pm.

Submitted by,
Margaret Della, Secretary