

pending committee approval
BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8
Education, Libraries & Cultural Affairs Committee
Minutes of the May 24, 2022, meeting via Zoom

PRESENT

Sylvia Alexander
Constance Barnes
Sebastian Chittilappily
Moses Esema
Myra Joyce
Rita Lowe
Bryan Glover
Ira Charles Levenberg
Araceli Farciert
Shajada Brown

AFFILIATION

Chair, ELCA Committee
CB8, Committee Member
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BCA

LINC

ABSENT

Judith Green
Ramdat Singh
Martin Wolpoff

CCM
CB8, Committee Member
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The meeting was called to order at 7:30PM.

The minutes of April 26, 2022 were approved as written.

The Chair called on Bryan Glover from Bronx Council of the Arts to start his presentation. Mr. Glover is the Deputy Director of Grants & Programs. The BCA is funded by the City & State of New York and their mission is to award grants to individual artist or Cultural Affairs Bronx local groups. BCA works with senior centers but not schools at this time. BCA has workshops in Art and Writing for artists. BCA has a gallery at Hostos College called Longwood Gallery where they display artists' works for the community to enjoy. Last year they distributed about \$800,000 in grants back into the community. More information is available at BCA.org.

The Chair reported that Covid cases are rising and is causing many absentees among students and teachers. Schools have been able to get substitute teachers to fill in

Mayor Adams and Chancellor Banks plan to use phonics to teach reading again in the fall

Speed cameras have been approved for use 24/7, 365 days a year.

Mayor Adams went to Albany to lobby for extending Mayor Control of the Public Schools.

The Federal Government has given \$200,000M for children with disabilities who were unable to work remotely during Covid 19, will be able to catch up on their studies which they missed.

Myra Joyce reported that the concert at the Riverdale Choral Society was a success. They will have a Sing-Along on June 22,2022. Anyone is welcome and to sing with them.

There will not be a ELCA meeting in June.

Have a healthy and great summer.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Sylvia Alexander, ELCA Chair