



BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD 8

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YOUTH COMMITTEE

MINUTES

(Pending Committee Approval)

OFFICERS:

Vice Chairperson

Bob Bender

Secretary

Lisa Daub

Treasurer

Diomarys Escaño-Bell

DATE: Tuesday January 5, 2021

TIME: 7:30 PM

PLACE: Zoom Meeting

COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

Aging

Eric Dinowitz

Budget

David Gellman

Economic Development

Nicholas Fazio

Education, Libraries & Cultural Affairs

Sylvia Alexander

Environment & Sanitation

Robert Fanuzzi

Health, Hospitals & Social Services

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Land Use

Charles G. Moerdler

Law, Rules & Ethics

Martin Wolpoff

Parks & Recreation

Rosemary Ginty

Public Safety

Edward Green

Traffic & Transportation

Daniel Padernacht

Youth

Julia Gomez

ATTENDEES

Julia Gomez – Youth Committee

Sergio Villaverde – Youth Committee

Nick Fazio – Youth Committee Member

Ramdat Singh – Youth Committee Member

Derwin Greene

Gavin Simmons

Lena Simmons

Stephen Vazquez

Constance Barns Watson

Eleanor Geagan

Marilex Santana-Tavarez

Moesha Masters

Rosalin Batista

Lu Aya

1. Introduction of Committee Members and Guests
2. Approval of Youth Committee Minutes: December 21, 2020 – passed unanimously
3. Chairperson's Report
 - a. Call for interest in Vice Chair
 - b. Call for Community Membership in the Youth Committee
 - c. Update on pending events – Youth community engagement meeting (February) and resource fair event (March)
4. Resolution – Amended resolution passed unanimously (See Attached)
5. New Business – NO DISCUSSION
6. Old Business – NO DISCUSSION
7. Adjournment

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS The COVID-19 global pandemic has caused in person gatherings to become dangerous; and

WHEREAS Community Centers and afterschool programs have had to shift to virtual programing; and

WHEREAS Schools have had to transition to remote learning; and

WHEREAS Seniors citizens in our community have an increased risk of isolation and depression due to social distancing requirements; and

WHEREAS New York City has implemented the LinkNYC program to provide free internet access; and

WHEREAS Out of approximately 1,869 LinkNYC locations only one kiosk is located within Bronx Community Board 8; and

WHEREAS there will be a need for high speed internet access after the COVID-19 global pandemic

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT; Bronx Community Board 8 calls upon New York City to expand the current LinkNYC kiosk network to include more of Community Board 8 with particular attention to underserved communities

For: Julia, Nick, Sergio, Ramdat

Against: None

Abstentions: None