

BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD 8
YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
(Pending Committee Approval)

DATE: Monday, March 15, 2021
PLACE: via Zoom Meeting

ATTENDEES

Julia Gomez
Sergio Villaverde
Louise Lopez
Gavin Simmons
David Gellmen
Derwin Greene
Eliomar Lopez
Phoebe Downes
Judith Greene
Shawn Williams
Melissa Moore
Alma C
Anjali Mercado
Araceli
Rachel Aideyan
Shajada Brown

AFFILIATION

Committee Chair
Committee Member
Committee Member
Committee Community Member
BX CB-8 Member
Kingsbridge Heights Community Center
Community Member
Riverdale Neighborhood House
Education Committee Community Member
Harlem Children's zone

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Nick Fazio, Ramdat Singh

Meeting called to order 7:35

1. Introduction of Committee Members and Guests
2. Approval of Youth Committee Minutes: February 4, 2021 - Unanimously Approved
3. Chairperson's Report
 - a. Welcome Gavin Simmons – new community committee member
 - b. Review of Yankee Leadership Award applications – 5 received, all will be submitted
 - c. Networking event responses – 4 responses, 1 not interested
4. Special Committee on Racial Equity – TABLED

5. Office of the Special Narcotics Prosecutor discussion

Melissa Moore – presentation of the effects on office and drug laws on youth with citation of statistics from the 50th precinct follow by short question and answer session. Motion to have a forum. Second by Louis Lopez. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Budget Priorities under 35 k expense over 35 k Capital budget

- a. Boosting existing wi-fi signals at tax funded locations (police departments, fire departments, libraries etc.) to create more access – DOITT
- b. Technological support – assessing the technical needs of CB 8 – DOITT/DOE
- c. Expanding College access for all funding – DOE/DYCD
- d. Increasing funding for CB 8 certificate programs – programs for technical/trade/certificates, information – DYCD
- e. Summer jobs – request for more in person – hands-on opportunities - DYCD

7. Yankee Leadership Award – ALL 5 APPLICANTS WILL BE SUBMITTED

8. New Business – No New Business

9. Old Business – No Old Business

10. Adjournment – Adjourned at 8:45 PM

Submitted by

Julia T. Gomez

Chair, Youth Committee