



BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD 8



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MEETING NOTICE LAW, RULES & ETHICS COMMITTEE

OFFICERS:

Vice Chairperson
Sergio Villaverde

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Immediate Past Chairperson
Laura Spalter

DATE: Monday, February 12, 2024

TIME: 7:30 PM

LOCATION: 5676 Riverdale Avenue, Suite #100, Bronx, NY 10471

Board Members must attend in-person unless they've received a pre-approved exemption. Bronx Community Board 8's Procedures for Hybrid Meetings [linked here](#).

Members of the public are encouraged to attend via Zoom due to room limitations.

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2114033690>

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Agenda

COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

Aging
Oscar D. Martinez

Budget
David Gellman

Economic Development
Nicholas R. Fazio

Education, Libraries & Cultural Affairs
Sylvia Alexander

Environment & Sanitation
Daniel Rowen

Health, Hospitals & Social Services
Rabbi Bob Kaplan

Housing
Rosemary Ginty

Land Use
Charles G. Moerdler

Law, Rules & Ethics
Martin Wolpoff

Parks & Recreation
Debra Travis

Public Safety
Edward Green

Traffic & Transportation
Kelli Buford

Youth
Dr. Julia T. Gomez

1. Welcome Committee Members and Guests

Martin Wolpoff, Chair, Steve Froot, Vice Chair, Sylvia Alexander, Jillian Baez, David Gellman Rosemary Ginty, Charles Moerdler, Jessica Sosa

2. Approval of Minutes: December 11, 2023, November 13, 2023, and October 12, 2023

3. Chair's Report

- A. Polling Members who Abstain
- B. Appointing Community Committee Members to a Standing Committee
- C. Changes to Community Board Procedures
- D. City Council Committee Memberships
- E. Requiring Members of the Public to be Visible on Zoom Conferences
- F. Bylaws: Article III, Sec.4

Article III

Sec. 4 – An appointed Member may be removed by the Board for failure to comply with section 3 of this Article; for three consecutive absences from meetings of the Board; for failure to attend six or more meetings of the Board in a period of any one year; or for other good cause. A proceeding to remove an Appointed Member shall be initiated by the Board's Executive Committee, by serving written notice on such Member, specifying the grounds for the proposed removal. The Member shall have thirty (30) days in which to respond to the notice. Removal by the Board shall require a majority vote of the Appointed Members present at the regular meeting next succeeding the aforesaid 30 day period. The notice for such meeting shall include the proposed action in its agenda.

[Amended 5/12/15]

4. Survey Committee Chairs' Experience/Views Concerning "Exceptional Circumstances" (EC)

5. Future Update to Primer – Chair asked again for recommendations for expanding the content of the Primer for new and continuing board members.

6. CB 8 Code of Conduct – The issue is still how to best make Board members and the public aware of the statement and abide by it.

The following language is found in both the Forward & Introduction to the By-laws and the Introduction to the Ethical Guidance Manual:

"Beyond adherence to the formal rules, members are expected to treat with dignity and respect all the members of the Board and members of the public whom we serve."

- 7. Discussion of Possible Topics for Guest Speaker from Conflicts of Interest Board (COIB) –**
 - A. February Board Meeting
 - B. March LRE Meeting
- 8. COIB**
- 9. Bylaws Change – Hold CB 8 elections in May instead of June**
- 10. Revising Ethical Guidance Manual regarding Nominating Committee (NC) Calendar**
- 11. Legislative Spreadsheet**
- 12. Old Business**
- 13. New Business**
- 14. Next Meeting** – Monday, March 11, 2024

Martin Wolpoff, Law, Rules & Ethics Committee, Chair