

**Bronx Community Board 8**  
**Nominating Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**May 1, 2024**

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**Location:** Board Office, 5676 Riverdale Avenue, Suite 100

**Attendance:**

Bob Bender, Mary Ellen Gibbs, Emily Hausman, Yngrid DeLeon, Laura Spalter

**Absent:** 0

**Extraordinary Circumstances:** 0

The Nominating Committee (NC) convened at 6:00 PM. A quorum was present.

1. Selection of Committee Chair – Laura Spalter

A motion was made by Emily Hausman and seconded by Bob Bender to nominate Laura Spalter committee chair.

**In favor (5):** Bob Bender, Mary Ellen Gibbs, Emily Hausman, Yngrid DeLeon, Laura Spalter

**Opposed:** 0    **Abstaining:** 0

2. Chair Spalter reviewed poll results. To date, four current chairs do not wish to be considered for re-nomination; “open” committees are: Economic Development, Housing, Traffic & Transportation, and Youth. The NC has received requests for consideration from Emily Hausman and Ramdat Singh for the Youth Committee.

3. Discussion:

- Meeting planned for May 2 cancelled
- Future meetings will be held in person only
- Mary Ellen Gibbs withdrew her consideration for Youth Committee chair
- Where there is more than one candidate for a position, we will ask each candidate to recuse himself/herself from the interview of the other candidate.
- Members of the Nominating Committee applying for a position will recuse themselves from discussion/vote in accordance with the Ethical Guidance Manual.
- All applicants will be asked the same approved initial questions, but members may ask follow up questions to responses.

4. Next Steps & Committee Goals:

- Committee must distribute slate of recommendations to the Board at least 10 days prior to the June election meeting.
- Chair will send a follow up letter to the Board updating them on our progress and urging their participation in the nomination process.  
**New interview dates are May 16 and May 20 (details to follow).**

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 PM.

Submitted by,  
Laura Spalter, Chair  
Nominating Committee