



BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD 8

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Margaret Della

Special Committee on Veterans' Services
Sergio Villaverde

MEETING NOTICE

LAW, RULES & ETHICS COMMITTEE

Date	Monday, March 9, 2026	Start Time	7:30 PM
Location	Bronx Community Board 8 Office – Conference Room		
Address	5676 Riverdale Ave, Suite 100, Bronx, NY 10471		
Zoom Link	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2114033690		
Zoom By Phone	+16465588656	Meeting ID	2114033690#

All committee members must attend in person except members with disabilities as defined under the Americans with Disability Act, who may request an accommodation from the chairperson of the Board permitting them to attend via video/teleconferencing and be counted in the quorum. The General Public is encouraged to participate via Zoom due to room limitations.

AGENDA

- 1. Roll Call, Welcome & Introduction of Committee Members and Guests –**
Martin Wolpoff, Chair, Steve Froot, Vice Chair, Sylvia Alexander, Charles Moerdler, Jessica Sosa, Jyll Townes, Sergio Villaverde
- 2. Approval of Minutes: January 12, 2026**
- 3. Chairperson's Report**
- 4. Report from Sergio Villaverde on wording for possible amendment for the Community Board 8 handbook or the Ethical Guidance Manual with parameters for when our Community Board may best express its positions to the public.**
- 5. Discussion on when Board/Committee Meeting Minutes are Due:**
Bronx Community Board 8 – Procedures Manual
Committee Meeting Minutes Chairpersons' Checklist
 - Chair or committee member delegated by Chair takes minutes at meeting and prepares minutes for distribution. Include:
 - Meeting date, location, start & end times
 - Member attendance and absences; Representatives
 - Prior meeting's minutes approval & votes (list names), or if deferred
 - Resolutions & votes (list names)
 - Business discussions and actions
 - Minutes "Prepared by" and "Submitted by [Chair]" names
 - "Pending Approval" notation
 - Committee Chair or delegate sends sign-in sheet to board office promptly following each meeting - Sign-in is optional for community guests

3. Committee Chair sends draft minutes to Board Office by email attachment within 10 days of meeting - Chair is responsible for producing and editing minutes 4. Office distributes draft minutes and instructs DoITT to post on website

- Committee Chair follows up with Office if not distributed prior to Board meeting and/or not posted within 5 work days 5. Committee Chair notifies Office by email of approved minutes
- Send revised minutes if approved-as-amended, or
- Send minutes, deleting "Pending Approval" notation -or- ask office staff to delete notation
- Board Office instructs DoITT to replace draft with approved minutes
- Committee Chair follows up with Office if final minutes are not posted on website within 10 work days

*In Committee Chair's absence, Committee Vice Chair fulfills Chair's responsibilities

CHAPTER 47 Public Officers

1. ARTICLE 7 Open Meetings Law

SECTION 106

Minutes

Public Officers (PBO) CHAPTER 47, ARTICLE 7

§ 106. Minutes. 1. Minutes shall be taken at all open meetings of a public body which shall consist of a record or summary of all motions, proposals, resolutions and any other matter formally voted upon and the vote thereon.

2. Minutes shall be taken at executive sessions of any action that is taken by formal vote which shall consist of a record or summary of the final determination of such action, and the date and vote thereon; provided, however, that such summary need not include any matter which is not required to be made public by the freedom of information law as added by article six of this chapter.

3. Minutes of meetings of all public bodies shall be available to the public in accordance with the provisions of the freedom of information law within two weeks from the date of such meeting except that minutes taken pursuant to subdivision two of this section shall be available to the public within one week from the date of the executive session. If the agency in which a public body functions maintains a regularly and routinely updated website and utilizes a high speed internet connection, such minutes shall be posted on the website within two weeks from the date of such meeting except that minutes taken pursuant to subdivision two of this section shall be available to the public within one week from the date of the executive session. For purposes of this subdivision unabridged video recordings or unabridged audio recordings or unabridged written transcripts may be deemed to be meeting minutes. Nothing in this section shall require the creation of minutes if the public body would not otherwise take them.

6. Discussion on Possible Bylaws Amendment

In the year subsequent to becoming term-limited, former members of Bronx Community Board 8 may apply to and serve as a Community Committee Member on any standing committee (with the exception of the Executive and Budget committees) on which they had been a member during the past 5 years, subject to the discretion of the chairperson of the Committee involved and Board

Chairperson, with no requirement that such recently term-limited individual attend three consecutive meetings of the committee. The “year subsequent” is understood to be defined as from the date that such individuals’ Appointed Member status terminated as the result of member’s term limits taking effect until June 30 of the following year. It is contemplated that after such a one-year period gap, such former term limited Board members may reapply for appointment to the Board or continue their service as a Community Committee Member.

- 7. Latest from COIB**
- 8. NYC Council Legislative Spreadsheet**
- 9. Unfinished Business**
- 10. New Business**
- 11. Adjournment**

Next Meetings – Monday, April 13, 2026, Monday, May 11, 2026, Monday, June 8, 2026

Martin Wolpoff, Chair
Law, Rules & Ethics Committee