

(pending committee approval)
BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8
Minutes of the Education Committee meeting
Held on March 27, 2018 at the Board Office, 5676 Riverdale Avenue, Suite 100

PRESENT

Sylvia Alexander
Eric Dinowitz
Marvin Goodman
Rita Pochter-Lowe
Judith Green

AFFILIATED

Education Committee, Chair
CB8, Committee Member
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CB8, Committee Member
Community Committee Member

GUESTS

Robyn Spiegel
Rabbi Levi Shemtov

Amalgamated Nursery School
Chabad Lubovitch of Riverdale

The meeting was called to order at 7:40PM.

The chair called for discussion and vote to accept the minutes of February 27, 2018 as written. The vote was unanimous to accept the minutes.

The Chair called on Robyn Spiegel to present the Amalgamated Nursery Schools SAPO request for a full street closing on Gales Place (between Orloff Avenue and Van Cortlandt Park South) on May 20, 2018. The school will be celebrating their Annual Spring Bazaar between 9:00am and 6:00pm. The event has been held previously.

Vote: 5 In Favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions

Sylvia Alexander, Eric Dinowitz, Marvin Goodman, Rita Pochter-Lowe, Judith Green (Community Committee Member)

The Chair called on Rabbi Shemtov to present the Chabad Lubovitch of Riverdale SAPO request for a full street closure on May 3, 2018 for the celebration of Lag B'omer Picnic (celebration of spring). The event will be held on West 235 Street (between Independence Avenue and Douglas Avenue) during the hours of 1:00pm and 9:00pm. The event has been held previously.

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The Chair continued the agenda with the Proposed Budget Priorities 2020. The response from schools in our district was stronger than last year. The Education Committee followed up by visiting the ELLIS Prep Academy (English Language Learners International School located in the JFK complex). The Chair and Eric Dinowitz met with the Principal, Norma Vega and staff and noted their requests in addition to their response to our letter. We have an appointment with PS24 tomorrow and 4 members have signed up to attend. The Committee will visit other schools after the spring break.

Judith Green reported that the Participatory Budget, which Councilman Andrew Cohen funds, will have their election to give the community a chance to select items of interest to better our community, on April 11 at the Spuyten Duyvil Branch Library. Some of the items that were on CB8 Budget 2019 to OMB and were not funded will be on the ballot for our local schools, so it is important to vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10PM.

Respectfully,

Sylvia Alexander, Chair
Education Committee