

Bronx Community Board No. 8

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD JANUARY 3, 2018 AT THE BOARD OFFICE 5676 RIVERDALE AVENUE, SUITE 100

Attendance: S. Alexander, B. Bender, L. Daub, P. Ellis, D. Gellman, R. Ginty, M. Goodman, D. Jackson, D. Padernacht, K. Pesce, L. Spalter, M. Wolpoff, M. Yamagata

Absent: C. Moerdler, O. Murray, L. Parker, A.J. Robateau, S. Sarao, S. Villaverde,

Guests: Michael Hinman, Riverdale Press, R. Press, Bronx Chronicle

1. Chair's Report

-The Borough President's Office will once again host a Parliamentary Procedure Seminar. It will be scheduled for March-April, 2018. Several of us have already attended but those who have not are encouraged to participate.

-District Service Cabinet will be held 2/6/18 and chaired by Ginty. Prior minutes and agenda were available for viewing; new/other items to be submitted to Ginty before agenda is distributed 1/23/18. Ellis will chair March meeting.

-Van Cortlandt Park Motel on Broadway no longer hosts homeless families. D.I. O'Toole will be notified of DHS ruling. Councilman Cohen will be asked if he might re-introduce a bill to require that stays at motels/hotels can be no shorter than 10-12 hour stays.

-Office relocation: a site is being negotiated. Moving to a new location will be expensive and OTPS funds may be identified and utilized for moving costs and replacement equipment. To be investigated.

-Reminder: CB membership renewals are due in February.

-Reminder on attendance rules for Community Committee members. Three consecutive absences results in automatic removal from the committee.

2. Treasurer's Report: deferred due to illness.

3. Bronx Boro Board meeting in December 2017 was attended by Paul Ellis. He reported:

-Loans are available to small start-up businesses which do not qualify for traditional loans.

4. Budget: responses to budget requests for 2019 are expected by end of January. February Board meeting will be a budget hearing reviewing initial responses. Board response will be discussed at that time.

5. Committee Reports: Croton Filtration Monitoring Committee is being phased out by DEP. A remaining issue is the pedestrian bridge over the

which was sited inaccurately, placement too close to water pipes. Parks & Recreation will maintain its oversight on the project. There are many Unresolved questions re: bridge placement and design.

Submitted by: K. Pesce, Secretary