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Joseph Russo  
Chairperson

Matthew Cruz  
District Manager

### MINUTES OF COMMUNITY BOARD #10 MEETING

May 21 5, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.

Virtual Meeting Via Cisco Webex

**PRESENT:** H. Acampora, T. Accomando, R. Baez, R. Barbarelli, R. Bieder, M. Caruso, T. Chambers, W. Chin, A. Chirico, L. Council, M. Davila, P. Del-Debbio, T. Franklin, I. Guanill, C. Isales, D. Krynicki, J. Landi, S. McMillan, M. Morris, M.J. Musano, D. Noble, L. Popovic, J. Robert, N. Rosario, J. Russo, N. Sala, T. Smith, J. Thomas, A. Torres, M. Velazquez, S. Woods (total # present = 31)

**ABSENT:** M. Ali, A. Beluso, P. Cantillo, D. Hunt, M. Johnson, J. Marano, J. McQuade, J. Onwu, C. Papastefanou, A. Salimbene (total # absent = 10)

**Board #10 Staff:** Matt Cruz, District Manager  
Susan Duffy, Community Assistant

Chairman Joseph Russo began the virtual meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence in honor of Memorial Day.

Mr. Russo noted that community liaisons would read their respective announcements after Resolutions were voted on and added that no public comments were received. Health and Human Services Committee met on May 14, 2020 and Executive Board met on May 18, 2020.

A motion to accept the minutes from the **April 16, 2020** Bronx Community Board #10 was unanimously approved by all.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

#### **Executive Board**

“**Resolved**...at the recommendation of the Executive Board to send a letter of No Objection to the Parks Department for the repair of lighting by the Trump Organization, along the Trump Golf Links Driving Range, and that this be forwarded to the Full Board for its approval.”

A motion to accept the Resolution was made by Mr. Russo, seconded by Bishop Rosario and unanimously approved by a majority of members with one no vote by Ms. Council and one abstention by Ms. Velazquez.

**The Resolution passed.**

## Youth and Education

“**Resolved**...at the recommendation of the Youth and Education Committee that a letter of support be drafted on behalf of Phipps Neighborhood Beacon Programming and be sent to City Council Member Gjonaj, State Biaggi and State Assembly Member Benedetto and forwarded to the Full Board for its approval.”

A motion to accept the Resolution was made by Mr. Bieder, seconded by Mr. Russo and unanimously approved by all members. **The Resolution passed.**

### **DISTRICT MANAGER’S REPORT:** Mr. Cruz

Mr. Cruz discussed the following items:

- June 23, 2020 NYS Primary Election; ballots to be mailed to registered voters
- Orchard Beach, swimming will not be permitted; no busing to Orchard Beach until further notice.
- Small Business Services said the Department of Health is not scheduling food inspections of restaurant kitchens until full restaurant services resume.
- Air-conditioners will be provided to low-income seniors who will be contacted by one of the Mayoral agencies
- Free tax preparation services – call the Board Office for details 718-892-1161
- June 2020 Virtual Meeting Schedule: June 2, 7:30 p.m. Economic Development; June 10, 7:30 p.m.; Municipal Services; June 15, 7:30 p.m. Executive Board; June 18, Full Board. Call/Log In information will be emailed.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **EXECUTIVE BOARD**

Executive Board met on Monday, May 18, 2020. The minutes are self-explanatory. Mr. Russo stated that the current Chairpersons for all committees will remain as is unless a new Chairperson was chosen.

### **HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

The Committee met on May 14, 2020. The minutes are self-explanatory. Bishop Nancy went over the information provided by Montefiore.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Maria Matos, Census Bureau – encouraged the community to complete the census which is now due by October 31, 2020. Complete on-line at [my2020census.gov](http://my2020census.gov) or call 844-330-2020.

Board Member Bieder, who also serves as President of the 45<sup>th</sup> Precinct Community Council noted that a request from One Police Plaza, NYPD was received asking for recommendations as to what is needed to fully reopen the 45<sup>th</sup> Precinct. Forward comments to Mr.Bieder at [rbieder@yahoo.com](mailto:rbieder@yahoo.com)

Board Member T. Accomando, at the request of Chairman Russo, reached out to CB #10 establishments to find out which ones were assisting with meals during the pandemic.

Office of Elected Officials:

Senator L. Sepulveda: informed the community of his office's efforts with food and mask distributions as well as other endeavors. He will work closely with Council Member Gjonaj to secure a COVID Testing location, easily accessible to all.

Council Member M. Gjonaj: informed the community of his office's efforts with food and mask distributions as well as other endeavors such as advocating for small businesses; working on the reopening of beach clubs. He can be reached at [mgjonaj@council.nyc.gov](mailto:mgjonaj@council.nyc.gov) F. Rubin of the Council Member's office went over upcoming events to be sponsored by the Council Member adding that a weekly notification will be going out on Fridays.

I. Gonzalez, Bronx Borough President R. Diaz: Borough President's website contains all up to date information and resources. <http://bronxboropres.nyc.gov/>

M. Joyce, Office of State Senator Biaggi: Senator's office continues to send out information in the evenings. Contact Ms. Joyce or call 718-822-2049 for assistance, [mjoyce@nysenate.gov](mailto:mjoyce@nysenate.gov)

S. Moreno, Office of State Senator J. Bailey's office: informed the community of the Senator's efforts with food and mask distributions as well as other endeavors such as sending daily notifications to his constituency. Contact the senator at <https://www.nysenate.gov/registration/nojs/form/start/message-senator?senator=6253905>

M. Bedinger, Office of Representative A. Ocasio-Cortez: Call for assistance 718- 662-5970. Mr. Bedinger went over legislative updates and urged the community to sign up for AOCs email notification as well as her FB page for details on upcoming events.; discussed legislative updates; weekly newsletter – sign up; discussed the census response rates in the district.

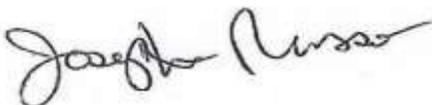
V. Martinez, Office of NYC Comptroller – The Comptroller has initiated an investigation as to the City's lack of response to COVID19. His Office joined the Office of the Public Advocate to provide emergency food distribution.

Motion to close the May 21, 2020 Community Board #10 meeting was made by Mr. Russo, seconded by Mr. Accomando and unanimously approved by all.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Duffy.

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This is to certify that the foregoing minutes reflect the information that was discussed at the full Board meeting of May 21, 2020.



Chairperson, Bronx Community Board #10  
May 28, 2020

Date: 5-21-2020 Bronx Community Board #10 MEMBER NAME	#1. Executive Board	#2. Youth & Education	
	1st _____	1st _____	1st _____
	2nd _____	2nd _____	2nd _____
Acampora, Hannah	√	√	
Accomando, Thomas	√	√	
Ali, Mohammed			
Baez, Raquel	√	√	
Barbarelli, Robert	√	√	
Beluso, Angelique			
Bieder, Robert	√	√	
Cantillo, Peter			
Caruso, Maria	√	√	
Chambers, Taisha	√	√	
Chin, Col. William	√	√	
Chirico, Andrew	√	√	
Council, Lauren	X	√	
Davila, Michele	√	√	
Del-Debbio, Peter	√	√	
Franklin, Terence	√	√	
Guanill, Irene	√	√	
Hunt, Deborah			
Isales, Cynthia	√	√	
Johnson, Monique			
Krynicky, Dorothy	√	√	
Landi, Jerry	√	√	
Marano, John			
McMillan, Susan	√	√	
McQuade, James			
Morris, Martin	√	√	
Musano, Mary Jane	√	√	
Noble, Denise	√	√	
Onwu, Joseph			
Papastefanou, Christos			
Popovic, Louis	√	√	
Robert, John	√	√	
Rosario, Bishop Nancy	√	√	
Russo, Joseph	√	√	
Sala, Nick	√	√	
Salimbene, Anthony			
Smith, Tom	√	√	
Thomas, Janine	√	√	
Torres, Angela	√	√	
Velazquez, Marjorie	ABSTAIN	√	
Woods, Stephanie	√	√	
<b>Total</b>	29 in FAVOR PASSED	31 in FAVOR PASSED	

R recuse  
√ in favor  
X against  
A abstain