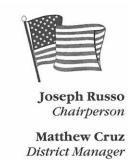


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Youth and Education May 22, 2023

Present: A. Torres, R. Bieder, M. Sajous, J. Thomas

Absent: N. Sala, C. Brockington, S. Woods, N. Nunez

Guests: S. Johnson, W. Galiano, L. Jibdoh, J. Rosoff, V. Ruiz

Chairperson Torres opened the meeting and had all attendees introduce themselves. Principal Galiano of P. S. 304. The school opened in 1999. Its pillars are reimagining the school experience and improving upon what works. There are reading, writing and mathematic workshops. The school is equipped with a science and STEAM lab. There is Humanities instruction. The school provides a tier structured instruction. All children feel a universal curriculum, but an individual student may receive extra instruction. Parents and students can follow the school on social media. The school needs more safety agents. Chair Torres reminded school administrators that the community board remains an avenue for which to advocate for them and its needs.

Superintendent Cristine Vaughan joined the Committee. School District 11 shares the communities of Co-op City, Westchester Square and City Island. It contains 45 schools. Ms. Vaughan informed the Committee that there is a free tutoring program in all schools. There was a recent soapbox derby. The district is focusing on having robotics instruction for all schools.

V. Ruiz informed the committee of events. On June 12th, there is a Peace Walk Combating Gun Violence in Throggs Neck. The route begins at I.S. 192 going down on Randall and turning left on East Tremont Avenue from 12PM to 2PM.

The meeting closed at roughly 8 P.M. by an unanimous vote of adjournment.