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## BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD No. 10

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Peter J. Sullivan Chairperson

Matthew Cruz District Manager

**Executive Board Minutes** March 20, 2019

Present: P. Sullivan, T. Accomando, R. Bieder, P. Cantillo, T. Franklin, I. Guanill, L. Popovic, N. Rosario, J. Russo, M. Velazquez

Absent: J. Marano

Guests: E. Sementilli, L. Rocco, E. Gonzalez III

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM and led off with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first order of business was the approval for the District Manager's purchase of "Emergency Go Bags" with the one-time \$42,000 allocation to our annual budget. These bags will be distributed to residents of our community at various public events starting with the Fair at the Square.

The following By-Law changes were presented at the February Full Board meeting and will be voted on at the March 21<sup>st</sup> Board Meeting. The items include the Grievance Policy, Public Speaking Regulations, Removal of Attendance Requirements from Elections Procedures, Questionnaire to be filled out by those nominated for elected positions, Guidelines for Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer positions, Removal of Veterans and Planning and Budget Committees, Veteran's issues will be handled by the Health and Human Services Committee.

The Ad-Hoc Co-Op City Committee will be suspended and reinstated on an as needed basis.

The Chairman reminded the Board that if someone wants to discuss an item that the Board has already voted on, it must be tabled and placed on the agenda of a future meeting. Board Members were also warned that any Board Business discussed on a Board member's personal email could be subjected to a FOIL request. The District Manager will investigate the availability of official government e-mail accounts for Executive Board members to use for Board communications.

The annual 45<sup>th</sup> Precinct Community Breakfast will be held on May 8<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Sementilli announced that he is our community's representative on the Five Borough Coalition, an organization that has been established to oppose the Mayor's plan to open additional homeless shelters and to lend support to the "Home Stability" program proposed by Assembly Member Hevesi. Mr.

Sementilli is also concerned that Community Board Members are voicing their opinions on issues without first stating that this is their personal opinion and not that of the Community Board.

Chairman Sullivan announced that he will not be seeking a third term in the upcoming election.

That meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.