



COMMUNITY BOARD 11
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COMMITTEES

- Leadership*
- Community Development & Budget Priorities*
- Economic Development*
- Education, Culture & Youth Services*
- Ethics & Disciplinary*
- Health & Social Services*
- Housing*
- Land Use*
- Parks & Recreation*
- Public Safety*
- Sanitation & Environmental Protection*
- Transportation*

Full Board Meeting
 Thursday, February 23, 2023
 7:00 p.m.
 Maestro’s Caterers
 1703 Bronxdale Avenue
 Webex Meetings
 YouTube [Live](#)

MINUTES

Meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Moment of silence for our fallen first responders and medical and military service personnel, and for those suffering throughout the world
3. Gallery Session: *Speakers receive an initial, two (2) minutes of uninterrupted speaking time; only those registered will be called upon*
 - a. Robert Press, CB11 (Community Board 11) constituent, spoke about the Mayor’s five-year development plan, among other items
 - b. Diana Finch, CB11 constituent, spoke about meetings being canceled, the day before the meeting is scheduled, among other items
 - c. Efrain Gonzalez, CB11 constituent, spoke about the need for more Latinos on the board, among other items
 - d. Roxanne Delgado, CB11 constituent, spoke about the proposed rezoning and its effect on the community
 - e. Manual Martinez, Allerton Library Manager, spoke about upcoming events at the three New York Public Library branches in our district, among other items
 - f. Jenny Lopez, CB11 constituent, ceded her time to R. Delgado, who asked the Board to request more PEP (Parks Enforcement Patrol) officers, among other items
4. Chair’s Report

B. Ferrara reported that she will be asking committee chairs to send items brought up in committee to the District Manager. She also asked that this include follow ups to what has and what has not been resolved. She stated that the proposed bylaw amendments will be brought up at the next Bylaws

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Committee meeting. She also spoke about anyone in arrears with their ConEd bill should call the general ConEd phone number to get it resolved.

- a. Proposed bylaw amendments
 - i. No ceding of time for gallery session speakers
 - ii. Change the two-year restriction for officer positions from two years of membership to six months or one-year.
 - iii. Chair or co-chair positions on committees, excluding Leadership, are voted on and decided by members of the respective committees.
 - iv. Conduct statement
 - v. Members, excluding the ex officio status of the chairperson, cannot be appointed to more than three committees, excluding the Leadership Committee, nor can they be appointed to chair more than two committees at any given time.
 - vi. Board members should be appointed to a minimum of three committees but not more than four at any given time, excluding the Leadership Committee

5. Treasurer's Report

V. Castro stated that her report has been submitted to the Board Office. Anyone with questions should contact her.

6. Secretary's Report

- a. Review of the DRAFT January 2023 Full Board Meeting Minutes Motion by H. Miura, seconded by P. Nastasio, to approve the minutes, as amended.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

7. District Manager's Report

- a. Gallery session order of speakers
- b. See something, say something.
- c. Last month's Full Board recording
- d. ConEd work in [Van Nest](#) and on Muliner Avenue

8. Committee Reports

- a. Bylaws
 - i. Motion to AMEND the CB11 Bylaws regarding newly appointed members
 - (1) 90-day introductory period, during which time the Board Chair will circulate a survey, in which new members can rank their three top committee preferences. Upon completion of the survey, the Board Chair and new members will have a dialogue to determine final assignments
 - (2) An electronic certificate is generated for members who complete the introductory period
 - (3) A guide welcoming new members should be created and distributed as a PDF

PASSED with 2 ABSTENTIONS (M. Gray and S. Muñiz).

b. Leadership

- i. Motion that only once per meeting, gallery session speakers can be given more speaking time by one other gallery session speaker, provided that the ceder of time is present at the meeting and that they cede their entire allotment of time
PASSED with 1 ABSTENTION (L. Soto).

c. Economic Development

- i. Motion that Community Board 11 send an email of NO OBJECTION to the NYSLA (New York State Liquor Authority) regarding the renewal liquor license applications for:

- (1) Pasta Pasta, 2023 Williamsbridge Road: [full license](#)
- (2) Marriott Residence Inn, 1776 Eastchester Road: [full license](#)

UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.

- ii. Motion that Community Board 11 send an email of NO OBJECTION to the NYSLA regarding the NEW liquor license application for: Edge Lounge LLC (Edge Restaurant & Lounge), 2040-2044 Eastchester Road: [full license](#)

UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.

- iii. Motion that Community Board 11 send an email of NO OBJECTION to the NYSLA regarding the NEW liquor license application for: Absolutto Cuisine & Bar Corp., 900 Morris Park Avenue: [full license](#)

UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.

d. Parks & Recreation

- i. Motion to REQUEST an increase in PEP officers for our district

UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.

- ii. Lisa stepping down as Parks Chair
Janice Walcott was announced as the new Chair of the Committee.

e. Land Use

- i. 2560 Boston Road Rezoning [Proposal](#)
K. Gelnick stated that the Borough President has recommended approval of the project and we are beyond the normal timeframe for recommendations, but City Planning will still allow accept a recommendation from us.
A great deal of discussion took place.
Motion that CB11 RECOMMEND DISAPPROVAL of the project.

PASSED with 1 AGAINST (O. Selkridge) and 3 RECUSALS (C. Culpepper, A. D'Angelo and H. Miura).

Motion that if the project is approved, the AMI be geared toward lower income earning individuals.

PASSED with 3 RECUSALS (C. Culpepper, A. D'Angelo and H. Miura).

Motion that if the project is approved, paid parking is made available to all the residents within the building.

PASSED with 3 RECUSALS (C. Culpepper, A. D'Angelo and H. Miura).

Motion by M. Gray, seconded by R. Reynoso, that we add to the letter the risk of displacing existing CB11 residents.

PASSED with 3 AGAINST (K. Gelnick, O. Selkridge and S. Pirtam).

- f. Community Development & Budget Priorities
 - i. Released Register of Budget Priority Requests (PDF): [FY2024](#)
 - ii. February 28 Public [Hearing](#)
 - iii. Foreign language docs
 - iv. Site visit request form
- g. Education, Culture & Youth Services
 - i. Youth Leadership Award [nominees](#)
- h. Ethics & Disciplinary
 - V. Castro reported:
 - i. Fourth Wednesday of the month at 7p.m.
 - ii. Ethical and Professional Conduct [Manual](#)Motion by V. Castro, seconded by M. Gray, that Community Board 11 adopt the manual.
UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.
 - i. Health & Social Services
 - S. Unger reported:
 - i. BOOST3 Survey and Informational Presentation on March 14
- j. Housing
 - i. Housing and Land Use Meeting
 - H. Miura spoke about the planned meeting in March.
- k. Public Safety
 - V. Castro reported:
 - i. March 13 meeting with Transportation Committee
- l. Sanitation & Environmental Protection
 - R. McCrossan spoke about amnesty for homeowners who are having trouble paying their water bill, among other items.
- m. Transportation
 - R. Fuchs reported on upcoming March meeting.
- n. Social Media
 - J, Rubino spoke about the March meeting.

9. Elected Officials: *Elected officials receive an initial, five (5) minutes of uninterrupted speaking time, and they may respond to at most only four (4) questions or comments by board members, and only board members, without any time restrictions; surrogates are afforded the same courtesy as their principal but are limited to two (2) minutes of initial speaking time.*

a. Bronx Borough President's Office

Ciara Gannon introduced herself as the new director of community boards, among other items.

b. Council Member Velazquez's Office

Stephenie Rodriguez announced upcoming events.

c. Bronx District Attorney's Office

Erica Diaz announced upcoming events.

d. State Senator Rivera's Office

Francisco Aquino Ramirez spoke about the day of hate on social media, among other items.

Motion by C. Culpepper, seconded by J. Campbell, that Community Board 11 makes a statement that we are against hate.

UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.

e. State Senator Bailey's Office

Harmony Guo announced upcoming events.

f. Assembly Member Zaccaro's Office

R. announced upcoming events.

10. Old Business

D. Kawalick reported that the budget priorities survey online is not clickable.

11. New Business

___ reported the closing of S. Francis and. P. Nastasio said that would take it up at the next Education meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9.15: p.m.

Minutes by staff (H. Lasky and J. Warneke); approved by Secretary Miura.

	Last Name	First Name	22-Sep	27-Oct	17-Nov	22-Dec	26-Jan	23-Feb	23-Mar	27-Apr	25-May	22-Jun
1	Amato	Christian	P	P	E	P	P	A				
2	Campbell	Junior	P	P	P	E	E	P				
3	Castro	Veronica	P	P	P	P	P	P				
4	Chun	Chun	P	P	P	E	E	P				
5	Contreras	Cristina S.	A	A	A	P	P	P				
6	Culpepper De Ruiz	Christine	P	P	P	P	P	P				
7	D'Angelo	Albert	P	P	P	P	P	P				
8	Dyer	Miguel	P	P	P	P	P	P				
9	Ferrara	Bernadette	P	P	E	P	P	P				
10	Francis	Avril	E	P	E	A	P	A				
11	Fuchs	Rabbi Moshe	E	P	P	A	E	P				
12	Gelnick	Kenneth	P	P	P	P	P	P				
13	Gray	Malcom	E	P	P	P	P	P				
14	Kawalick	Debra	P	P	P	P	P	P				
15	Lahoz	Maleny	E	P	A	P	A	E				
16	Leavitt	David	P	P	P	P	P	P				
17	McCrossan	Roger	P	P	P	P	P	P				
18	Miura	Hazel	P	P	P	P	P	P				
19	Muñiz	Serena	P	P	P	P	P	P				
20	Nastasio	Phyllis	P	P	P	P	P	P				
21	Obeid	Yahay	P	P	P	P	P	E				
22	Pirtam	Shradhanand	P	E	P	P	P	P				
23	Pemberton	Naomi	P	P	P	P	P	E				
24	Ramsey	Keith	E	E	P	A	A	A				
25	Randall	Juanita	E	P	P	P	A	P				
26	Reynoso	Richard	E	P	P	P	P	P				
27	Rodriguez	Cynthia	P	P	P	P	P	P				
28	Rodriguez	Eliezer	P	P	P	P	P	P				
29	Rubino	Joanne	E	P	P	P	P	P				
30	Santaella	Harry	P	P	P	P	P	P				
31	Selkridge	Oral A.	E	P	P	E	E	P				
32	Shkreli	Edit	P	P	P	P	P	P				
33	Soto	Lisa	P	P	P	P	P	P				
34	Thompson	Joseph A.	P	P	P	P	P	P				
35	Unger	Sandra	P	P	P	P	P	P				
36	Walcott	Janice	P	P	P	A	P	A				
37	Williams	Dwayne	P	P	P	P	P	P				
38	Wilson	Jeanette	E	P	P	P	P	P				
	TOTAL Ps:		27	35	33	31	31	31	0	0	0	0

Key**A - Absent****nm - No****E - Excused****meeting****na - Not****P - Present****applicable**