



## **Community Board 12 September 25, 2025, General Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Beatriz Coronal.

### **I. Public Gallery Session**

#### **Darnell Lockwood/Darnell Cares**

Mr. Lockwood informed everyone that his organization was hosting their annual end of the year clothing drive. They have been hosting this drive for the past seven (7) years. Darnell Cares is in partnership with the Bowery Mission. He travels across all five (5) boroughs to get donations. He invited everyone to donate. You can reach him on Instagram at [darnelcares](#) or [darnelcares@gmail.com](mailto:darnelcares@gmail.com). There are three (3) drop-off locations in the Bronx. You can drop office at both of Councilman Riley's office and at 3535 Holland Avenue.

A brief question and answer period ensued.

#### **Mr. Guy Loving/Uptown Family Enrichment Center.**

Mr. Loving informed everyone that their office is located at 3535 Holland Avenue between East 211<sup>th</sup> and East 212<sup>th</sup> Streets. They have been hosting open houses, meeting with parents, community members and the 47<sup>th</sup> Precinct Community Council. They will be inviting the Community Board members to have a tour of the facility. The Uptown Family Enrichment Center is reaching out to everyone to co-design programs. They have already met with P.S. 21.





**Juliana Copeland/Mind Builders Creative Arts Center**

Ms. Copeland informed everyone that it is now fall enrollment. They are offering classes i.e., Zumba, Soca etc., for 16 years and above. They also offer tuition assistance. Mind Builders offers martial arts, private and group music and dance classes.

They are looking for people interested in playing wired instruments.

You can rent their space for \$5 for dance rehearsal space but not for a group.

**Carol Singleton/Educator**

Ms. Singleton informed everyone that she has spent some time working with Board Member Ms. Tollyne Dickerson in the school system. She is currently working with foster care children trying to assist them with intern programs, encouraging them to finish high school and continue onto college. She encouraged everyone to reach out if they know of any internship possibilities.

**Mr. Mosses Deese/Resident**

Mr. Deese expressed his displeasure with not receiving the proper response and actions to his complaints regarding auto repair being done on the street. It is his opinion that everyone is passing the buck.

Mr. Torres responded that he has responded to the complaints and sent the response in an email. The agency that is responsible for this type of complaints is the Department of Workers and Consumer Protection (DWCP).

A brief discussion ensued.





**Mr. Don Sibblies/Resident**

Mr. Sibblies expressed his concern regarding the traffic on Carpenter Avenue between East 232<sup>nd</sup> and East 233<sup>rd</sup> Streets. He stated that although there are “No Parking Anytime” signs people continue to park at this location, and no one attempts to move the food truck.

A brief discussion ensued. The Chairperson informed everyone that Community Board 12 has and will continue to advocate for enforcement.

**Mr. Juan Saldana/New York City Department of Sanitation (DSNY)**

Mr. Saldana gave an overview and provided flyers regarding the new system for commercial waste disposal.

A brief discussion was held on illegal dumping.

**Ms. Renee Patterson/Baychester Council**

Ms. Patterson informed everyone of the ongoing problem with a food truck and mobile car wash located on Boston Road and Marolla Place. She stated that this location is often dirty because of these two illegal businesses.

Ms. Patterson is also very concerned about group homes opening in the district without proper notification. It is her opinion that they out price private people wanting to purchase a home.

It was noted that this issue will be taken up at a committee 1 meeting.

**II. Presentation**

A presentation was made by Kristen Roach, Brenna Hemmings, Joslyn Schafer and Paul Philps from the New York City Department of City Planning (DCP) regarding the White Plains Road Neighborhood Plan.





A discussion ensued regarding the pros and cons of the plan.

**III. Elected Official's Updates:**

**Kimberly McNabb** gave the Report of the Bronx Borough Presidents' Office. The report is available in its entirety at the Community Board office.

**Ms. Alina Dowe**, Mayors Office encouraged everyone to use 311 to file complaints. By using this data, she was able to show that abandoned/illegally parked cars are an issue in the district which allowed for a tow operation.

The Mayor's Office will be hosing Breaking Bread Building Bonds event on October 1, 2025 here at Town Hall.

**Kelly Sanders**, Congressman George Latimer's Office provided her contact information and encourage anyone with a federal issue to reach out. She stated that the Congressman's office was able to assist people with IRS issues and has been able to get \$1.9 million returned.

She further stated that anyone in middle and high school who is interested in STEM can apply for a contest to create an App. The App can be about anything but there can't be more than four (4) people involved in the development.

**Andy Turcios**, Councilman Kevin Riley's Office informed everyone that \$280,000 has been secure by the Councilman to assist with sanitation. The Councilman hosted Summer Sounds last week and will be hosting their monthly community conversation regarding Public Safety on September 17, 2025, from Noon until 3:00 P.M. at Ramadan Christian Church located at 3650 Fish Avenue. He also informed everyone that at the Co-Op City office they hold New York State Unclaimed Funds event and Veterans Advocacy. Please contact the office to see if you qualify.





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The Councilman's office is also providing Health Bucks to use at Farmers Markets.

Javad Malik requested a meeting with the Councilman's office to discuss the elderly and disabled people using their EBT card at restaurants.

**Ranell Ogilvie**, Senator Jamaal Bailey, provided everyone with contact information. He informed everyone that the Senator along with Assemblyman Heastie, Councilman Riley, Congressman Torres and Bronx Borough President Gibson they will be hosting a Baby Shower at the YMCA on October 2, 2025, from 11:00 to 1:00 P.M. Please contact the office to register.

**Raishiel Muniz**, Congressman Richie Torres Office, informed everyone that the Congressman is continuing to fight for the people regarding expanding the Affordable Care Act. And other major issues.

The Congressman and 94 others wrote a letter to ICE demanding an explanation regarding the illegal deportation.

The Congressman gave away 3,000 bookbags. Ms. Muniz informed everyone that the Department of Motor Vehicle office on Fordham Road will be closing on September 26, 2025. They will be moving to the Bronx Terminal Market as of October 1, 2025.

**Fatama Kamara**, Bronx District Attorney, reminded everyone that the Youth Advisory Council application deadline is tomorrow. At these meeting the youth discuss gun violence, youth safety, etc.

The District Attorney will be hosting a Reentry event on September 30, 2025, from 10:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M. The Department of Motor Vehicle will be participating at this event.





She encouraged clergy people to sign up for the District Attorney date base.

The District Attorney will be hosting her 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Domestic Violence 5K Run/Walk to end domestic violence. This event will take place on October 18, from 9:30 A.M until 12:30 P.M. and it is being done in conjunction with the Bronx Borough President and the Yankees. She provided brochures for everything including recruitment for the office.

#### **IV. Chairperson's Report**

The Chairperson informed everyone that during the summer she got accepted into a graduate program with a full scholarship and this will be her last meeting. She encouraged everyone to keep fighting. She further stated that she was very proud of the things accomplished during the last four (4) years under her leadership especially the Legislative Breakfast.

Mr. Karl Stricker explained that Mr. Clinton Myke will become the Acting Chairperson and the procedure for electing a new Chairperson.

#### **V. Approval of Board Minutes**

**Motion made by Mr. Karl Stricker seconded by Mr. Robert Hall to accept the minutes as printed with any necessary corrections. Motion passed unanimously.**

#### **VI. Committee Report**

##### **Committee One**

**Motion made by Mr. John Isaac seconded by Mr. Robert Hall to write a letter of support to DOT. Motion passed 31 Ayes and 1 Recusal.**

##### **Committee Two**





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Mr. Luke Szabados informed everyone that PS 21 had attended a committee meeting regarding Renzi Playground. He informed everyone that Councilman Riley has been able to secure funding due to the City of Yes for a Capital Project. He further stated that New Yorkers for Parks have been doing tabling events and to ask what people would like to see in the playground. He encouraged everyone to reach out to him if they had any ideas.

### **Committee 3**

Dr. Sherri Samels gave a presentation on Suicide Prevention.

Meeting duly adjourned at 9:34 P.M.





# COMMUNITY BOARD 12, THE BRONX

## VOTING SHEET

Date 9/25/25

MOTION NUMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
BENITEZ, JUDITH	A	A					
BERKLEY, CARLTON		Excused					
BORSOTTI, CARLA	A	NP					
BOSWELL, PATRICIA	A	A					
BROMFIELD-ARMSTRONG, MICHELLE	Abs	A					
CLODD, JOAN	Abs	A					
COTTON, TERRI	Abs	A					
DAVIS, EATONIA	NP	NP					
DICKERSON, TOLLYNE	A	A					
DONALDSON, TIERRA		Excused					
ECHAVARRIA, DENISE		Excused					
FARMER, JAZLYN	A	A					
FIGUEROA, ALFREDO	A	A					
FISHER, SABRINA	A	A	Excused				
GOFF, JOHNNIE		Excused					
GRIERSON, SHEILA	A	A					
HALL, ROBERT	A	A					
ISAAC, JOHN	A	A					
KAMARA, ALPHA	A	A					
LINK, ROBERT	A	A					
MALIK, JAVAD	A	A					
MARK, UDUAKOBONG	NP	NP					
MARTIN, LUCILLE	Abs	A					



# COMMUNITY BOARD 12, THE BRONX ATTENDANCE SHEET

Date *9/25/25*

BOARD MEMBER	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED	VIRTUAL
BENITEZ, JUDITH	✓			
BERKLEY, CARLTON			X	
BORSOTTI, CARLA				X
BOSWELL, PATRICIA	✓			
BROMFIELD-ARMSTRONG, MICHELLE	✓			
CLODD, JOAN				X
CORONEL, BEATRIZ	✓			
COTTON, TERRI	✓			
DAVIS, EATONIA		X		
DICKERSON, TOLLYNE	✓			
DONALDSON, TIERRA			X	
ECHEVARRIA, DENISE			X	
FARMER, JAZLYN	✓			
FIGUEROA, ALFREDO	✓			
FISHER, SABRINA			X	
GOFF, JOHNNIE			X	
GRIERSON, SHEILA	✓			
HALL, ROBERT	✓			
ISAAC, JOHN	✓			
KAMARA, ALPHA	✓			
LINK, ROBERT	✓			
MALIK, JAVAD	✓			

BOARD MEMBER	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED	VIRTUAL
MARK, UDUAKOBONG		X		
MARTIN, KEMONE	✓			
MARTIN, LUCILLE	✓			
MENSAH, MAAME		X		just showed up 8:28 pm
MITCHELL, ANTOINETTE		X		
MOSS, PHILOMENA	✓			
MURRAY, ELYSE ANDREA	✓			
MYKE, CLINTON	✓			
NNANI, DARYL				X
ORTIZ, CARMEN		X		
PALMA, WAYNE	✓			
PARIS, REGINALD		X		
PETERS, ARIELLE	✓			
PHINN, DOMINIQUE	✓			
REID, ANTHONY		X		X
ROSA, NICHOLAS	left 8:25 pm ✓			
SAMUELS, SHERRY, Dr.	✓			
SKINNER PARKES, KAREN	✓			
STRICKER, KARL	✓			
SUBAIR, GBENGA	✓			
SZABADOS, LUKE	✓			
TIRADO, DEBRA	✓			
THOMAS, TROY	✓			
TUTEIN, DAMON		X		

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