



Bronx Community Board 12 General Meeting Minutes

January 22nd 2026

Meeting commenced at 7:17pm Est.

➤ **Public Gallery:**

- **Uptown Family Enrichment Center (Mr. Guy Loving):** Invitation to the launch of Uptown FEC's community group; W.O.W. (Women of Williamsbridge, Woodlawn and Wakefield) which will be held on January 27th, 2026, at 6:30pm est at the Uptown Family Enrichment Center located on 3535 Holland Avenue, Bronx New York 10467.
- **Nicole Taylor:** Requested that the Community Board contact the NYPD and Sanitation Department; so that they may investigate and look for solutions to address the poor lighting, cars camping, prostitution and illegal garbage dumping around Adele Towers located at 3000 Bronx River PkE, Bronx NY 10467. CB 12 chair (Clinton Myke) then requested for the district manager to follow up with Ms. Taylor to address her concerns regarding the quality of life and public safety issues in the neighborhood.
- **B.R.A.G (Brittney Davis):** Introduction and invitation to the community board to attend B.R.A. G's Hat & Scarf giveaway on January 30th at 3pm at MS 113 The Richard R. Green Campus.
- **Mr. Leon Campbell:** General safety concerns around the lack of NYPD presence. The community board as instructed by the chair and the community liaison from the Bronx District's Attorney's office are following up with Mr. Campbell about his concerns regarding local policing and environmental concerns regarding fallen trees.

➤ **Elected Officials/Representatives Report:**

- **Councilman Kevin Riley's Office (Andy Turcios):** Event updates- NYC Council Discretionary Funding Virtual Workshop on January 27th 2026, at 6:30pm. Control the bleed training in association with the FDNY on January 28th 2026 at 2:00pm at the R.A.I.N. Gun Hill Senior Center located at 3377 White Plains Road, Bronx NY 10467. Dr. MLK Jr. Day of Service Voter Registration Drive on January 31st 2026 from 12pm-5pm at the Northeast Bronx YMCA, Mind-Builders Creative Arts Center and The Mall at Bay Plaza. Council District 12 Free Tax Prep at the councilman's Co-op City District office located at 135 Einstein Loop, Room 44 (2nd Fl.), Bronx NY 10475 on Wednesday's from 10am-4pm. Free Tax Prep will also be available at the councilman's Gun Hill Road District Office located at 940 East Gun Hill Road, Bronx, NY 10469 on Fridays from 10am-3pm. Unclaimed Funds Clinic on February 5th 2026 at 12pm at the councilman's Co-op city district office located at 135 Einstein Loop, Room 44 Bronx NY, 10475. Announcement of Simone Jones's departure from the



councilman's office. Simone Jones is now the Deputy Chief of staff & Chief Equity Officer for the NYC City Council Speaker Julie Menin's office. Jahmal Yapp has been promoted to her former position as the chief of staff for Councilman Riley's office.

- **Bronx Borough President Vanessa Gibson's Office (Bianca Stevenson):**
Event Updates-The Community Board member application portal will become active as of January 23rd 2026- February 25th 2026. BRONX SWAB is looking for volunteers to assist them during their 2026 community events. The borough president has sent an open invitation via email to all The Bronx community board members to attend the borough president's inauguration ceremony which will be held on February 1st 2026 at the Lehman Center for the performing arts located at 250 Bedford Park Boulevard West, Bronx NY, 10468.
 - **Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark's Office (Carlos Torres):**
Introduction & Event Updates: January 27th 2026 Re-entry Employment Resource Fair from 10am-2pm at the Justice Sonia Sotomayor Community Center located at 1000 Rosedale Avenue, Bronx NY. March 25th 2026 Youth Summit & Child Safety Fair at the Dreiser Loop Community Center located at 145 Dreiser Loop, Bronx NY 10475.
 - **Congressman Richie Torres's Office (Raishiel Muniz):** Congressman Torres office has joined the picket line in support of the Montefiore nurse's strike.
 - **Senator Jamaal Bailey's Office (Ranell Ogilvie):** Re-Introduction and event updates- Food pantry every 4th Wednesday of the month at the Senator's office located at 959 East 233rd Street, Bronx NY 10466.
- **Election of the Community Board 12's 1st Vice-Chairperson:** Bronx Community Board 12's parliamentarian Karl Stricker explained the rules of engagement regarding the election process of a new 1st Vice-Chairperson. Denise Echevarria nominated Robert Link. Her nomination was 2nd by Robert Hall. Terri Cotton nominated Eatonia Davis. The nomination was 2nd by Clinton Myke. Denise Echevarria then requested to hear from the candidates about why they were running. Robert Link went first followed by Eatonia Davis. The chair (Clinton Myke) then called for a continuation of the meeting to allot time for the district manager to prepare the paper ballots.
- **Bronx Community Board 12 Chairman's Report (Clinton Myke):** Following the chairman's report. Alfredo Figueroa conducted the roll call and requested a motion to accept the community board's general meeting minutes from September & October of 2025. Karl Stricker called for a motion to accept the minutes from the September and October 2025 General Meetings. The motion was 2nd by Alfredo Figuerrro.



The minutes were accepted by all those present virtually and in person with only one abstention from Lucie Martin.

- **Mayor Zohran Mamdani's Office (Alina Dowe):** Alina Dowe has been retained as The Bronx's Borough Director for the office of mass engagement formerly known as the mayor's office of community affairs.
- **Bronx Community Board 12's Standing Committee Reports:**
 - **Committee#2 Report (Chair-Luke Szabados)-**Request to accept committee#2's minutes from October & November 2025 as well as letters of support for the following: The Oneida Dog Run in Van Courtlandt Park to be re-named for Kathleen Corrigan and local elected official funding to support the dog park, to improve the safety and address the illegal dumping at Ujama Garden, a letter to the elected officials in support of Beyond Plastics, repurposing of paper streets Mickle Avenue & Chester Street, a letter to the NYPD/DOT/Highway 1 to address the traffic safety concern around Bronx River Pkwy entrance. Carl Stricker called for a motion to accept the report. 1st. Pastor Paris. 2nd by Eaton Davis. Carl Stricker called for a motion for the community board to vote on all 5 letters of recommendation, with a friendly amendment to the Bronx River Pkwy letter to also include the 47th precinct. The amendment was accepted by the committee's co-chair Luke Szabados. The amended motion was then 2nd by Robert Link. The motion carried with a unanimous vote in favor of sending all 5 of the requested letters of support to their perspective elected officials and city agencies.
- **Election of the Community Board 12's 1st Vice-Chairperson resumed:** The results were 10 votes for Robert Hill and 23 votes for Eaton Davis. Declaring Eaton Davis as Community Board 12's new 1st Vice-Chairperson.
- **Bronx Community Board 12's Standing Committee Reports continued:**
 - **Committee#1 Report (Chair-Karl Stricker):** Free zoning extensions have passed the committee for the gas station located on Baychester and 233rd street. While the extension to 1225 Gun Hill Road is pending. Mr. Robert Hall added that there is still a need for LED lighting throughout the district.
 - **Committee#3 Report (Chair-Tollyne Dickerson, Javad Malik, Alpha Kamara, Dr. Dominique Phinn, Dr. Daryl Nnani):** Committee#3 is continuing to work with councilman Riley's office to identify restaurants within the district that are eligible to allot purchases of food with SNAP/EBT benefits standing committee structure of community board 12 will be discussed. Alpha Kamara & Dr. Dominique Phinn gave the social media sub-committee report. The BXCB12Connect Instagram page has risen to over 3,040 views. The sub-committee is requesting for the community board members to submit pictures from local events that they attend and to sign up to be interviewed by the sub-



committee. Karl Stricker, who has longest tenure, with 52 years of service as a community board member was the 1st CB 12 member to be interviewed. Dr. Daryl Nnani re-capped the committee's group discussion around the "big beautiful bill" the 80 hour a month work requirement, budget cuts that have taken place as of December 26th 2025 that will affect Medicaid/Medicare recipients. The report for committee#2 hasn't been submitted.

- **Bronx Community Board 12 District Manager's Report:** The next executive board meeting for CB 12 will be conducted on February 2nd 2026 at CB12. Where the current standing committee structure will be discussed in addition to outlining other duties pertinent to the community board's Chair and District Manager respectively.
- **Bronx Community Board 12's Standing Committee Reports continued:**
 - **Committee#1:** Request to accept the committee's report and vote for the letter of recommendation for B.S.A. calendar# 52-55 BZ 1255 Gun Hill Road. Alfredo Figueroa took the vote. The motion carried with only one vote in opposition from Luke Szabados. With the new business concluded. The chair (Clinton Myke) called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was 1st by Karen Skinner-Parks and 2nd by Luke Szabados.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:02pm est.