

Bronx Community Board #2

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FULL BOARD MEETING AGENDA

DATE: Wednesday, February 26, 2025

TIME: 6:00 PM

VENUE: NYPL Hunt's Point Branch, 877 Southern Blvd. , Bronx NY 10459

I. COMMANDING OFFICER REPORT: (41st Precinct) (10 Minutes)

II. BUSINESS SESSION: (BOARD MEMBERS)

A. Roll Call Julia Cruz (2 Minutes)

B. Adoption of Minutes Roberto Crespo, Chair (2 Minutes)

C. Chairperson's Report Roberto Crespo, Chair (5 Minutes)

Resignation of Chrishenna Turner

D. District Manager's Report Ralph Acevedo, District Manager (5 Minutes)

E. Borough President's Report Alexis Ruiz, BP Representative (5 Minutes)

F. Elected Officials Report **Not to exceed 10 minutes - 2 minutes per Rep** (10 Minutes)

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III. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Executive Committee Robert Crespo, Chair

Review of Renewal Application for B M B Randall Restaurant located at 1328 Randall Avenue Bronx NY 10474. They are applying for a Beer Wine and Cider License. They will have a jukebox. There will be a Full Food menu; full kitchen run by a chef or cook. There is no outdoor permit for this location. The licensee serial number is 1261771.

A motion was made by Maria Torres and seconded by Clifford Muniz, carried by all to approve.

B. Special Events Vee Taveras, Chair

FEBRUARY 5TH 2025 MINUTES

1. February and March Events that were discussed at the meeting

Event	Date	Location	Contact/ permit
Valentine	Feb 12, 2025	Bronx zoo	Maritza Wiggins
Senior Valentine	Feb 13, 2025		PO Feliz
Black history month	Feb 27, 2025	Bronx zoo	Maritza Wiggins
Rat Academy	March 5, 2025	830 Fox street	Lisa Delancey
<i>Animal Studies</i> by Maria P Vila, Exhibition Closing Celebration,	Ends Thurs. March 6, 5:30-8pm	Gallery Casita Maria	
<i>You CAN Sit Here</i> by Tiff McFierce, Exhibition	Thursday, March 20 from 5:30-8pm:- through August 2025	Casita Maria Gallery	

C. Franchise, Licensing and Permits Clifford Muniz, Chair

No meeting for the month of February

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D. Health & Human Services
Luis Marrero, Chair
Julia Cruz, Chaired the meeting

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
February 4, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 6:01pm

- 1 – Representatives for The Fortune Society were not present. They will be invited to a future meeting.
- 2 – Representatives, Rebecca Green, LMSW, Carlos Garcia and Erin Verrier gave a presentation for Community Healthcare Network.
 - CHN is currently located at 975 Westchester Ave. They will be relocating to 1002 Westchester Ave. The new site will have 12 exam rooms-they currently have 7. They will also have 3 dental operatories.
 - Individuals are seen regardless of their income. They will assist in applying for Health insurance if needed.
 - CHN has a total of 14 clinics throughout the city. 2 are located in the Bronx.
 - Key services they offer are Prep and PEP services for individuals that believe they were exposed to HIV and/or individuals that are HIV positive.
 - They also have addiction care services. These services are offered in the MD offices – making it more discrete.
 - Maternal Health services.
- 3 – Representatives for Bronx Independent Living services were not present.
- 4 – Announcements – all the upcoming announcement for the community were reviewed. These have also been sent to all board members and available to all the request it.
- 5 – Adjournment at 6:45pm by Laticia Thompson and second by Sha-Toria McCoy Greg

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E. Youth and Education
Larry Robinson, Youth Chair
Thelvis Alston, Jr. Education Chair

Education Committee & Youth Services Committee Dual Meeting

February 13th, 2025 (Thursday)

Time: 6:00 PM

Our first presenter was Nipa Royees, the representative to Congress member Alexandra Ocasio-Cortez. Nipa Royees basically informed the audience and guests that the Congress member Alexandra Ocasio-Cortez would be following up with the Board of Education pertaining to the school system regarding to ICE and what rights all people in the Bronx has to protect them from illegal deportation. She promised to keep the board updated again at our next meeting. Nipa Royees can be reach at 718-991-3161 or via Nipa.Royees@mail.house.gov.

The 2nd presenter was Lymarie Francisco of the Oyate Group who unfortunately could not make the meeting at this particular time and will be rescheduling for a future visit for their presentation with Community Board No. 2 in the near future. The Oyate Group is located at 276 Grand Concourse, (The Luxury Apartments) Bronx, NY 10451- Telephone No. N/A. Website: www.oyategroup.org

Our 3rd presenter was that of Common Point is a community-based organization operating in the greater New York City area to bring community program and support to all residents. Some of their programs are:

- Early Childhood Programs
- Youth & Family Programs
- Aquatics – Swim Classes
- Adult Tennis Classes
- End of Summer Mini Camps (Ages 6-17)
- After School Programs
- Summer Pool Clubs
- Vocational Training Program for New Careers
- Programs at the Youth Opportunity Hub
- Children's Sports and Dance Classes
- CAPE Mental Health Care
- Summer Youth Employment (SYEP)

Their website is that of: www.commonpoint.org

Telephone No. 1-800-662-1220 (Toll Free)

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Telephone No. 1-718-225-6750 (Little Neck Office)

Our 4th Presenter was that of:

PS 75 School of Research and Discovery

984 Faile Street, Bronx, NY 10459.

Telephone: 718-860-1630

Website: schools.nyc.gov

This school offers their students grant access to all DOE applications for assistance and guidance via TeachHub, Google, iLearnNYC, Microsoft Office, Zoom, and more.

They also offer easy access to the following:

SupportHub – Technical Support

NYC Schools Account – NYCSA – Learn how to view your child's academic progress, update your parent's contact information and more.

Parent University – Seeks to educate and empower families through free courses, resources, events, and activities.

MySchools – Apply to grades 3-K – 12 explore and compare schools, and more.

Our 5th Presenter was that of:

Hunts Point Alliance for Children (HPAC)

Their presenter today was that of Ms. Britney Ron, the Director of the HPAC Community Partnership. She basically spoke of the services that they offer the community like:

- Early Childhood Education
- Youth Development and College Readiness
- Supportive Family Services
- Literacy Through Science
- Theatre Programs Like Shakespeare Ensemble
- Community Partnerships Programs

The Hunts Point Alliance for Children (HPAC) contact information is the following:

1231 Lafayette Avenue – Tel # (718) 620-2824 – info@hpac10474.org

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Announcements:

Next Full Board Meeting Will Be At:

The Hunts Point Library

877 Southern Blvd.

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F. Economic Development

Maria Torres, Chair

Economic & Municipal Services Subcommittee Wednesday February 12, 2025 6PM

In attendance: Maria Torres - Chair, LaShawn Lindsey, Miguel Calderone, Albin Infante

- Darry Saldana representative from the Bronx Chamber of Commerce introduced his organization and the services and resources they provide regarding small business resources and development. They are member based but provide services for free. They work with SBS, NYC Fund Finder and councilmembers to provide services. They also work with Jay Medina at the SB BID.
- NYC DEP provided an update of the construction at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. They will be replacing a drainage line and will have to limit curbside parking near Ryawa Street February -July. They anticipate the construction to last through 2027.
- Representatives from WorkForce 1 provided an update on their Hunts Point Demographic Study. There is a high percentage of residents without HS diplomas. They currently provide Security Training and have some retail jobs for the community.
- Old Business – Flyers and Announcements
- The meeting adjourned at 7:08PM.

G. Housing and Land Use

Pastor John Udo Okon, Chair

Housing and Land Use Committee Meeting Rev. John Udo Okon, Chairperson Wednesday, February 5, 2025

All Board Members were in attendance besides Cindy (excused - sick), including NYPD and various community members.

Khalina Posha (Harm Reduction Specialist for Community Access) came to answer questions regarding the excessive number of 911 calls last year (581) from 985 Bruckner Blvd.

Many issues were discussed including Mcdonald's traffic, trespassers, parking issues and overall number of complaints. Community Access will report back with an update on progress in May.

Respectfully submitted by Paul Coverdale

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IV Old Business	(7 Minutes)
V. New Business	(7 Minutes)
VI. Announcements	(7 Minutes)
VII. Roll Call –	(2 Minutes)

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