



**THE CITY OF NEW YORK
BOROUGH OF THE BRONX
COMMUNITY BOARD 7**



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YAJAIRA ARIAS, CHAIRPERSON

ISCHIA BRAVO,

DISTRICT MANAGER

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Chair:	Barbara Stronczer
Meeting Date:	December 12, 2022
Meeting Time:	6:30pm
Meeting Location:	Via Zoom Video/Teleconference
Meeting Recording:	https://youtu.be/yfbFO9kEjL8
Members In Attendance:	<p>✓ Erick Ascensio ✓ Myrna Calderon ✓ Andrew Laiosa</p> <p>✓ Edgar Ramos ✓ Barbara Stronczer ✓ Chad Royer</p> <p>✓ Yahaira Arias ✓ Betty Arce ✓ Michelle Avila</p> <p>✓ Victor Saldana ✓ Leurys Acosta</p>
Minutes done by:	Yajaira Arias

Minutes:

Chairs welcoming remarks

Reading of Guidelines and Meeting Code of Ethics

Attendance taken - Quorum met

Motion to accept minutes presented by Eric Ascensio

Motion second by Michelle Avila

Motion Passes

District Manager’s Report: <https://bit.ly/3QYc1jR>

Briana Sanchez – Intern

Will be with us until March 2023



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Special thank you to all board members and elected officials who attended CB7 Annual Tree Lighting. Pictures are being uploaded as received.

Together for Kingsbridge Hosted a Vision Discussion for the Kingsbridge Armory - 1/22/23 will be the next workshop

Events are posted to our social media

Question presented by Lowell Green as to Executive Session

Question answered by Andrew Laiosa (exception only when a conflict of interest)

Chair's Report:

New email address for CB7 Business will be circulated

Meeting and training with the BP's office

Assembled Screening for hiring of DM - 12/14/22 in person at Bronx Library Center (if member is interested in applying for DM position – it must be disclosed and member cannot attend any of the meetings nor vote)

Thank you to all of the members who participated to all of the event that happened

Motions:

Motions presented by Education Committee Chair Leurys Acosta

Motion is to provide a letter of support Council Member Erick Dinowitz IEP Bill N0660-2022

<https://legistar.council.nyc.gov/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=5839358&GUID=F5A6D836-0370-4C19-B0B8-8D3C1B2B1558>

This bill would require the Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities (MOPD) or any other office designated by the mayor, to establish a program to help high school students with disabilities who are going on to institutions of higher education to obtain accommodations. As part of such a program, the designated office would (i) develop and implement a system to facilitate the sharing of information about students' special

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education services and (ii) provide students with student advocates to access related support. This bill would also require the designated office to conduct outreach on the program and to annually submit a report on the program and the outreach conducted to the Mayor and the Speaker of the Council and post it on its website.

Discussion:

Chad Royer - would this apply to state approved non-public schools? Any language that separates the type of high schools included?

Answer: LA – understanding of NYC Public Schools and Private Schools.

Eric Ascensio – is the program intended for higher education – colleges and universities?

Answer: LA – institutions have these programs – this bill is a way to provide them. Bill is worded “any institution of higher education”

Andrew Laiosa – confused and not understanding the rationale of the motion. Maybe need to look over the bill

Bill read by Eric Ascensio

Betty Arce – not understanding - background as to why this is necessary?
Expectations?

Answer LA – will obtain more information to respond to members' questions.

Michelle Avila – not mandating/asking city offices that already exist to create a system to share information – students will need to opt into the program. The program will provide information in adding these students.

Vote taken – Motion Passes



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New Business:

Betty Arce - Cannabis Shop that opened on 204th Street. Not newly registered
Unknown as to where it stands in our district/NY Times Article shared
Recreational use of Marijuana - Concern as to shops popping up

Michelle Avila – Verilife’s presentation to the board – they were not considering providing recreational Marijuana

The concerns are medicinal v. recreational in our district

Committee Reports:

Budget & Personnel – Andrew Laisoa

Committee met earlier tonight – adjourned due to time constraints

Education, Youth & Libraries – Leurys Acosta

See Minutes Report and Motion Discussed.

Health & Human Services – Michelle Avila

Committee did not meet. Next Meeting will be in January.

Traffic & Transportation – Edgar Ramos

Committee did not meet. Next Meeting will be in January.

Public Safety - Victor Saldana

Committee did not meet. Next Meeting will be in April.

Veteran’s – Chad Royer

Committee met after the November General Board Meeting - Union Health Center – provided information free services for veterans through their (medical/dental and mental) screening vans and expansion.



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Discussed Fraud/Imposter calls to veterans – warning the public of these scams.
Reportfraud.ftc.gov

Environment & Sanitation – Betty Arce

Committee did not meet. Next Meeting will be in January.

Parks – Barbara Stronczer

Thank you to all members and staff who made the Tree Lighting one of our best. Next meeting will be hosted by the Amateur Astronomers Association – looking to host a public observatory at Jerome Park – Everyone is invited - more details to follow in January.

Housing, Land Use, & Economic Development – Erick Ascensio

Hosted EDC – Kingsbridge Armory and discussed workshops
Next workshop will be January 22, 2023

By Laws – Myrna Calderon

Committee did not meet. Next Meeting will be in January.

Other Items:

Awaiting to hear from the Mayor's office/Governor's office as to whether meetings will resume virtually or in person.

Nominations for the Secretary Position will take place at tomorrow's General Board Meeting.

Snow Removal in January (Sidewalks and Parks)

Next Executive Committee Meeting will be January 19, 2023



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Motion to adjourn – Michelle Avila

Motion second by Chad Royer

All members in favor

Meeting ended at 7:53 p.m.