

## BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8

### MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

HELD ON October 10, 2019

AT AMALGAMATED HOUSES, 74 VAN CORTLANDT PARK SOUTH, VLADECK HALL

- PRESENT:** S. Alexander, B. Bender, L. Daub, M. Della, E. Dinowitz, P. Ellis, R. Fanuzzi, N. Fazio, E. Garcia, D. Gellman, R. Ginty, J. Gomez, E. Green, R. Jacklosky, D. B. Jackson, M. Joyce, R. Pochter Lowe, T. Moran, O. Murray, D. Padernacht, T. Pardo, J. M. Reyes, G. Santiago, L. Spalter, I. W. Stone, C. Tepelus, D. Travis, S. Villaverde, M. Wolpoff (29)
- ABSENT:** E. Bell, M. Donato, D. Escano, S. Froot, D. Fuchs, M. Gluck, M. Goodman, D. Leverett, L. Lopez, C. G. Moerdler, S. Paige, K. Pesce, J. Townes, C. Wilcox, R. Zavras (15)
- STAFF:** C. Gannon – District Manager
- GUESTS:** Councilmember Cohen, Assemblyman Dinowitz, D. Ojeda-Tiru – rep. Congressman Engel, P. Lewicki – office of Assemblyman Dinowitz, A. Toledo – rep. Bronx Borough President Ruben Diaz, P. Hill – office of Councilmember Cohen, M. Javier – rep. Congressman Espaillat, M. Gelman – rep. Senator Biaggi, E. Oliff – rep. Congressman Espaillat, O. Ovalles – rep. Assemblywoman De La Rosa, Crystal Rodriguez, Herb Barret, Steven Sachs, Lew Wunderlich, Nancy Benignus

### **PUBLIC HEARING: Capital & Expense Budget Requests for Fiscal Year 2021**

Budget Chair D. Gellman opened the hearing. Chair Ginty asked committee chairs to first note updates to distributed budget listings. T&T added school crossing guards to expense item 29, EduL expanded language to capital item 7, HHSS added funding for Crime Victims Unit to expense item 30 and P&R removed capital item 11 that is now fully funded.

D. Gellman called for comments from the public. One question regarding ranking format was answered. Not hearing comments from the public, D. Gellman called for a vote to adopt the 2021 capital budget and the 2021 expense budget as amended:

Vote: In favor – 24    Opposed – 0    Abstentions: 0

In favor: S. Alexander, B. Bender, L. Daub, M. Della, E. Dinowitz, P. Ellis, N. Fazio, E. Garcia, D. Gellman, R. Ginty, J. Gomez, E. Green, R. Jacklosky, M. Joyce, R. Pochter Lowe, T. Moran, O. Murray, D. Padernacht, J. M. Reyes, G. Santiago, L. Spalter, IC. Tepelus, D. Travis, M. Wolpoff

Chair Ginty convened the meeting at 7:30 P.M and welcomed all.

### **Chair Ginty welcomed Councilmember Cohen to address the board**

- Councilmember Cohen shared news that he wrote to the Department of City Planning on Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> stating that he did not see a way forward with proposed changes to the Special Natural Area District and today received a letter confirming DCP's withdrawal of the proposal. [applause]. Chair Ginty expressed her sincere thanks and as relayed by M. Wolpoff for the Land Use chair.
- Suggested that CB8 review preliminary budget requests with him since some items could already be funded.

### 1. Gallery Session

- Crystal Rodriguez & Deputy Chief Stern of CERT / OEM. Explained the emergency training provided to CERT volunteers and their various roles helping with community preparedness and response to emergencies. Shared information packets. CERT volunteer and CB member R. Pochter Lowe, followed by D. Gellman, noted the importance of CERT and the excellent training.
- Herb Barret noted that this is his thirteenth year hosting a ceremony for veterans at Memorial Grove in Van Cortlandt Park. This year's ceremony will be held on November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 246<sup>th</sup> street and Broadway. Encourages all to attend.
- Steven Sachs expressed safety concerns with DOT's street changes on Palisades Avenue at Kappock. Besides being an overbuilt eyesore, narrowed road increases hazards for cars exiting garage. Alternative safety measures are preferred. He did not receive notification of DOT proposal; Chair Ginty confirmed that each nearby building was given a notice to post, as is our practice, and is troubled that buildings may not share it with residents. D. Padernacht stated that committee's request was for a green space to be used to shorten crosswalks.
- Lew Wonderlich, also at 2727 Palisades, reiterated safety concern with shortened space for cars to enter street from driveway and noted that the massive concrete bump-outs add to storm water runoff. Chair Ginty noted that DOT did not speak with DEP and this issue will be raised again at next T&T meeting. D. Gellman stated that it is DOT's intent to make crosswalks safer.
- Nancy Benignus introduced We Engage in Prevention Activity, an organization that concentrates on substance abuse prevention. They are conducting a neighborhood-focused risk factor assessment.

## 2. Report from the Office of the Bronx Borough President – A. Toledo

- Reminded board members to complete sexual harassment training by December 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Announced a college fair on October 16<sup>th</sup> at SUNY Bronx EOC. See flyers and website.
- Noted requirement that community boards need a process to form a disciplinary committee
- Announced that his last day with BP is next Friday; He will join the Mayor's Civic Engagement Commission. He thanked the board. CB8 expressed our congratulations and best wishes.

## 3. Report from the 50<sup>th</sup> Police Precinct – No report - Scheduled 50<sup>th</sup> Precinct Community Council meeting conflicted with rescheduled board meeting.

## 4. Chair's Report – R. Ginty

- Welcomed Debra Travis to the Board. D. Travis started Jerome Parks Fans, received our Community Service Award for her parks work and was part of the P&R committee's forum on setting up friends of parks groups.
- Next board meeting is on Tuesday November 12<sup>th</sup> at Riverdale Presbyterian Church.
- See Executive Committee minutes for other items.

## 5. District Manager's Report – C. Gannon

- Diane Bay is retiring tomorrow after 15 years. DM stated that she is fortunate to have worked with her and owes much of her success as DM to Diane.
- Provided update on search for new Community Associate and Coordinator: Received over 50 applications with resumes due by tomorrow. To date, interviewed 12 candidates with L. Daub. Second interviews will be set up soon and plan to present at November meeting.
- Due to heavy work load and staff shortage, DM is speaking with approved agencies and following procurement guidelines to secure temporary office coverage. See budget modification.
- Contact office to schedule online sexual harassment training in the office, due December 13<sup>th</sup>. City employees should send their training certificate to office.
- The office is increasing community notifications by posting on website, FB and sending emails. Suggests that residents sign up for email list to stay informed.

## 6. Treasurer's Report – C. Gannon for R. Zavras

- Very few expenses at the start of the fiscal year. Last month's budget modifications were sent to OMB. No special funding expenditures were spent this fiscal year.
- Treasurer prepared the following resolution for a FY2020 budget modification:

WHEREAS, the Treasurer and the District Manager of Bronx Community Board 8 prepared an operating budget and modification for the Board's expenses for Fiscal Year 2020,

WHEREAS, in support of the office to manage this budget and to accommodate the short-term staffing shortages within the office, budget modification has been prepared and is attached to the October Treasurer's Report.

BE IT RESOLVED, Bronx Community Board 8 approves the operating budget and a modification of up to \$10,000 to support it.

Motions to add to calendar and to approve: Votes: In favor: 29    Opposed: 0    Abstentions: 0

In favor: S. Alexander, B. Bender, L. Daub, M. Della, E. Dinowitz, P. Ellis, R. Fanuzzi, N. Fazio, E. Garcia, D. Gellman, R. Ginty, J. Gomez, E. Green, R. Jacklosky, D. B. Jackson, M. Joyce, R. Pochter Lowe, T. Moran, O. Murray, D. Padernacht, T. Pardo, J. M. Reyes, G. Santiago, L. Spalter, I. W. Stone, C. Tepelus, D. Travis, S. Villaverde, M. Wolpoff                      Opposed: none                      Abstentions: none

## 7. Department of City Planning – No City Planning representative was present

## 8. Election to fill the position of Youth Committee Chair Vacancy Pursuant to Bylaws, Article V, Sec. 3

- Chair opened nominations from the floor. S. Villaverde nominated Julia Gomez, currently Vice Chair of HHSS committee. Nomination was seconded. J. Gomez presented her extensive educational and professional qualifications for the position of youth chair. No other nominations. Closed nominations.

Motion to approve the nomination: Vote: In favor: 29    Opposed: 0    Abstentions: 0

In favor: S. Alexander, B. Bender, L. Daub, M. Della, E. Dinowitz, P. Ellis, R. Fanuzzi, N. Fazio, E. Garcia, D. Gellman, R. Ginty, J. Gomez, E. Green, R. Jacklosky, D. B. Jackson, M. Joyce, R. Pochter Lowe, T. Moran, O. Murray, D. Padernacht, T. Pardo, J. M. Reyes, G. Santiago, L. Spalter, I. W. Stone, C. Tepelus, D. Travis, S. Villaverde, M. Wolpoff                      Opposed: none                      Abstentions: none

**Chair Ginty welcomed Assemblyman Dinowitz to address the board**

- Expressed thanks to participants of shred event which took in over 4,000 pounds of paper.
- Reminder to vote on November 5<sup>th</sup> election and to pay attention to five important ballot proposals.
- Noted the unintended consequences of crosswalk proposals that impact parking spaces which is very important to residents.
- Pleased with the approval of two elevators in the district, at 242<sup>nd</sup> & Broadway and Mosholu & Jerome. He is trying to accelerate accessibility to all subway and railroad stations.

## 9. Committee Reports

## A. Parks &amp; Recreation – B. Bender

- Provided the background on efforts to reunite east and west portions of Van Cortlandt Park, going back to 1999 filtration plant. A preliminary design was presented by DDC following additional funding for the

bridge, which includes huge ramps to ensure ADA accessibility on difficult topography. The resolution to approve the preliminary design includes six conditions to be considered in final design to address concerns. B. Bender strongly supports approval of the resolution to keep the momentum. Opened up floor for comments. Members commented on projected usage, presence of tunnel, the completeness of the presentation, meeting of conditions in final plan and hard work of Councilmember Cohen to secure funding. DDC asked for a formal response to the preliminary design. The following resolution was presented:

Whereas Van Cortlandt Park is divided by three highways, the Henry Hudson Parkway, Mosholu Parkway and the Major Deegan Expressway (I-87); and

Whereas pedestrian access throughout the park, especially east-west access, is difficult due to the obstacle presented by the highways; and

Whereas, the City Council of the City of New York made the construction of a pedestrian bridge in Van Cortlandt Park, if feasible, among its conditions for its 1999 ULURP resolution allowing the construction of the Croton Filtration Plant in Van Cortlandt Park; and

Whereas the Van Cortlandt Park Master Plan 2034, endorsed by Community Board 8 at its May 2014 meeting, proposes three pedestrian bridges over the highways to improve access to all parts of the park; and

Whereas the Croton Filtration Monitoring Committee (CFMC), comprised of representatives of community boards 7, 8, and 12, and representatives of local elected officials, called for a pedestrian bridge to be built over the Major Deegan Expressway when the feasibility of such construction was determined, which was done in 2009; and

Whereas Community Board 8 endorsed the construction of this pedestrian bridge recommended by CFMC at its June 2010 meeting; and

Whereas local community organizations, environmental advocates, and trail and hiking associations have endorsed the building of this pedestrian bridge and supported the position of the CFMC and Community Board 8; and

Whereas \$25.5 million in funding for this pedestrian bridge was secured from the Department of Parks & Recreation (DPR), the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), our councilman and our state representatives; and

Whereas the Department of Design and Construction (DDC) has proposed a preliminary design of the bridge over the Major Deegan Expressway to enable easier east-west access in Van Cortlandt Park and connect the eastern and western portions of the trail on the Old Croton Aqueduct, which is on the New York State and national historic registers; and

Whereas DDC presented its conceptual bridge design to the Parks & Recreation committee at its March 28, 2018 meeting, which the committee approved, and presented its preliminary design for the bridge to the committee at its September 25, 2019 meeting;

Therefore, Be It Resolved that Bronx Community Board 8 approves the preliminary design with the following conditions:

that DDC will provide an accounting of the trees that will have to be removed in the course of building the bridge and ramps, and will make every effort to minimize the number of trees to be removed, and that all tree restitution required by the construction of the bridge, whether in the form of tree replanting

or financial compensation, will take place in Van Cortlandt Park, as close as possible to the construction site;

that DDC will provide the committee with more information about the materials to be used in constructing the ramps, including what sort of materials might be used to minimize the impact of the ramps on the park, the total number of square feet of impervious material to be used and what permeable alternatives might be available, and that DDC will consider using natural materials for that portion of the ramps that are on the surface of the park, in every instance explaining to the committee its choice of materials;

that DDC will coordinate with DPR to determine whether the project will require a SWPPP (Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan) and will report back to the committee on its decision and the reasons for its decision if negative, and if a SWPPP is required will consult with the committee on planning the SWPPP;

that DDC and DPR will contact the State Historical Preservation Office (SHPO) to determine whether the project requires SHPO review because of existing historic designations;  
that DDC and DPR together with any other relevant agencies will determine whether the project will require a negative declaration of environmental impacts and will advise the committee before declaring a negative declaration;

that DDC will return to the committee with a final design and will address these conditions prior to presenting the final design to the committee and at that final design presentation will note all substantive changes to the design since the preliminary design presentation.

Motion to approve the resolution: Vote: In favor: 23 Opposed: 2 Abstentions: 4

In favor: S. Alexander, B. Bender, L. Daub, M. Della, E. Dinowitz, P. Ellis, N. Fazio, E. Garcia, R. Ginty, J. Gomez, E. Green, R. Jacklosky, D. B. Jackson, M. Joyce, R. Pochter Lowe, O. Murray, D. Padernacht, J. M. Reyes, G. Santiago, I. W. Stone, C. Tepelus, D. Travis, M. Wolpoff

Opposed: R. Fanuzzi, T. Moran, Abstentions: D. Gellman, T. Pardo, L. Spalter, S. Villaverde,

- Next meeting is October 23<sup>rd</sup> at Kelly Commons. The entire meeting is focused on the Enslaved Peoples Project and will include several speakers. This is an important part of NW Bronx history.

#### B. Public Safety – M. Joyce for M. Donato

The following two resolutions were approved unanimously by the committee and presented:

1. WHEREAS, Khalle Bar & Grill located at 3638 Bailey Avenue, appeared before the Public Safety Committee on September 17, 2019, in relation to approval of their application to renew an on-premise alcoholic beverage license.

2. WHEREAS, Palace of Japan, 3505 Johnson Avenue, appeared before the Public Safety Committee on September 17, 2019, in relation to approval of their application to renew an on-premise alcoholic beverage license.

BE IT RESOLVED, that Bronx Community Board 8 approves the renewal licenses

Motion to approve the resolutions: Vote: In favor: 28 Opposed: 0 Abstentions: 1 for cause

In favor: S. Alexander, B. Bender, L. Daub, M. Della, E. Dinowitz, P. Ellis, R. Fanuzzi, N. Fazio, E. Garcia, D. Gellman, R. Ginty, J. Gomez, E. Green, R. Jacklosky, M. Joyce, R. Pochter Lowe, T. Moran, O. Murray, D. Padernacht, T. Pardo, J. M. Reyes, G. Santiago, L. Spalter, I. W. Stone, C. Tepelus, D. Travis, S.

Villaverde, M. Wolpoff Opposed: none Abstentions: D. B. Jackson – for cause

- The next meeting is changed to November 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm

#### C. Traffic & Transportation – D. Padernacht

- Presented and discussed the following resolution of support for city benches:

WHEREAS, a representative from the Kingsbridge Business Improvement District (“Kingsbridge BID”) appeared at the Traffic and Transportation Committee seeking a letter of support for its request to the New York City Department of Transportation (“NYC DOT”) to add two City Benches at 190 West 231<sup>st</sup> Street and 184 West 231<sup>st</sup> Street;

WHEREAS, the Kingsbridge BID representative stated that benches are needed in the proposed locations because people need to sit while waiting for the bus;

WHEREAS, the Kingsbridge BID representative stated that she has spoken to merchants from Bravo Market, Star Furniture and Rainbow about this issue and they feel benches are needed in the proposed location.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, Bronx Community Board 8 supports the request from the Kingsbridge BID to place a City Bench at 184 West 231<sup>st</sup> Street and 190 West 231<sup>st</sup> Street.

Motion to approve the resolutions: Vote: In favor: 28    Opposed: 0    Abstentions: 1  
In favor: S. Alexander, B. Bender, L. Daub, M. Della, E. Dinowitz, P. Ellis, R. Fanuzzi, N. Fazio, D. Gellman, R. Ginty, J. Gomez, E. Green, R. Jacklosky, D. B. Jackson, M. Joyce, R. Pochter Lowe, T. Moran, O. Murray, D. Padernacht, T. Pardo, J. M. Reyes, G. Santiago, L. Spalter, I. W. Stone, C. Tepelus, D. Travis, S. Villaverde, M. Wolpoff                      Opposed: none                      Abstentions: E. Garcia

- Presented and discussed the following resolution to oppose DOT’s Better Bus plan in Marble Hill that is being pushed forward as a mayoral priority. At their meeting, the Economic Development committee voted to support the following Traffic & Transportation resolution:

WHEREAS, the New York City Department of Transportation (NYC DOT) has presented the “Better Buses Broadway Improvements Plan” (the “Proposal”) to the Traffic and Transportation Committee of Bronx Community Board 8 which proposes to make changes to Broadway between West 230<sup>th</sup> Street and West 225<sup>th</sup> Street.

WHEREAS, NYC DOT proposes to create a Bus Only lane in one of the southbound travel lanes under the elevated train on Broadway between West 230<sup>th</sup> Street and West 225<sup>th</sup> Street between 7:00am and 7:00pm from Monday through Saturday;

WHEREAS, NYC DOT proposes to restrict parking to create a Truck Loading & Unloading Zone of approximately 140 feet on the southbound service lane of Broadway between West 228<sup>th</sup> Street and West 225<sup>th</sup> Street from 8am-4pm on Monday through Saturday;

WHEREAS, NYC DOT proposes to permanently prohibit rights turns onto Exterior Street by vehicles traveling northbound on Broadway to assist a “Queue Jump” for buses

WHEREAS, NYC DOT proposes to change approximately 120 feet of parking on West 228<sup>th</sup> Street from alternate side to metered parking spots;

WHEREAS, the Marble Hill Merchants Association strongly opposes the proposal by NYC DOT;

WHEREAS, serious safety issues for pedestrians and students have been raised about the proposal;

WHEREAS, serious questions about the effectiveness of the proposal have been raised by members of the Traffic and Transportation Committee and members of the public that suggest the Proposal may not produce the result of faster bus service as suggested by NYCDOT;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, Bronx Community Board 8 opposes the Better Buses Broadway Improvements Plan presented by NYC DOT.

Motion to approve the resolutions: Vote: In favor: 27 Opposed: 0 Abstentions: 2 (1 for cause)

In favor: S. Alexander, B. Bender, L. Daub, M. Della, E. Dinowitz, P. Ellis, R. Fanuzzi, N. Fazio, E. Garcia, D. Gellman, R. Ginty, J. Gomez, E. Green, R. Jacklosky, M. Joyce, R. Pochter Lowe, T. Moran, O. Murray, D. Padernacht, T. Pardo, J. M. Reyes, G. Santiago, L. Spalter, I. W. Stone, D. Travis, S. Villaverde, M. Wolpoff Opposed: none Abstentions: D. B. Jackson – for cause, C. Tepelus

- Next meeting is October 17<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm at the Atria

D. Youth – no meeting pending chair election

E. Aging – E. Dinowitz

- Next meeting is October 24<sup>th</sup>, 4:00pm at the Atria. A representative from Bronx District Attorney's office will present on elder abuse.

F. Budget – D. Gellman

- This winter, we will start work on FY2022 capital and expense budgets. Preliminary lists are due February, with prioritized lists March. Submit to budget chair by April 15<sup>th</sup>.

G. Economic Development – S. Villaverde

- Refer to minutes for last meeting. Large portion of meeting was about the bus lane proposal's impact on merchants in Marble Hill. Also discussed a resolution for a consultant to support the Kingsbridge BID expansion. This will be deferred due to questions regarding funding to third parties.
- A working group within the committee is moving forward with a *Most Valuable Merchant Award* that will be awarded this year.
- Next meeting would fall on election day so a new date will be communicated.

H. Education – S. Alexander

- Refer to minutes for September meeting
- Discussion of budget priorities with Councilmember Cohen is a good idea; He was able to fund security cameras at PS81 when this request was brought to his attention.
- Next meeting is October 29<sup>th</sup> at the new Van Cortlandt library. Extends special invitation to J. Gomez and youth committee to attend.

I. Environment & Sanitation – R. Fanuzzi

- Provided three DEP updates: 1. Certain businesses will be required to install backflow devices to prevent contaminated water from entering sewers and waterways, 2. New grant for private properties to reuse and capture waste water, 3. Historic commitment to fund daylighting of Tibbets Brook. Several details will be discussed at October 16<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- A new program to expand composting in NYC will also be discussed at this month's meeting.

## J. Health, Hospitals and Social Services – O. Murray

- Next meeting is November 13<sup>th</sup> and includes a presentation by Montefiore on breast cancer in men, NY Cares on access to health care in the Bronx and a discussion by DOH on rat infestation remediation.
- Since there are few calls to 311, we do not get the city's attention to remediate rat problems. Residents are encouraged to call 311 when they see rats.

## K. Housing – D.B. Jackson

- Next meeting is October 28<sup>th</sup> at the board office.

## L. Land Use – M. Wolpoff for C. Moerdler

- Presented and discussed a resolution in support of request from three elected officials regarding Brust Park extension. Amended resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, Bronx Community Board 8 supports the request sent to the NYC Parks Department from Congressman Elliot Engel, Senator Alessandra Biaggi and Assemblyman Jeffrey Dinowitz which supports the application by Stewards of Brust Park, 3875 Waldo Avenue Board of Directors and the Coalition to Save Brust Park for the NYC Parks Department to take over jurisdiction of the unbuilt segment West 242nd Street between Manhattan College Parkway and Dash Place from the NYC Department of Transportation.

Motion to approve the resolution as amended: Vote: In favor: 28 Opposed: 0 Abstentions: 1 for cause  
In favor: S. Alexander, B. Bender, L. Daub, M. Della, E. Dinowitz, P. Ellis, R. Fanuzzi, N. Fazio, E. Garcia, D. Gellman, R. Ginty, J. Gomez, E. Green, R. Jacklosky, M. Joyce, R. Pochter Lowe, T. Moran, O. Murray, D. Padernacht, T. Pardo, J. M. Reyes, G. Santiago, L. Spalter, I. W. Stone, C. Tepelus, D. Travis, S. Villaverde, M. Wolpoff Opposed: none Abstentions: D. B. Jackson – for cause

- A second resolution is withdrawn pending discussion at executive committee.

## M. Law, Rules and Ethics – M. Wolpoff

- Following last month's discussion regarding a resolution to change bylaws to include a required disciplinary committee, the wording has been edited, sent to board members for comment and is presented for the first of two votes:

Whereas, the Office of the Bronx Borough President has established a "Discipline Policy & Procedure for Community Boards"; and,

Whereas, in accordance with the policy, the first level of disciplinary review will be at the community board level; and,

Whereas, Bronx Community Board 8 (CB8) must amend its By-laws to establish a process for forming a disciplinary committee to review complaints lodged by Community Board members, members of the public and non-union Community Board staff; and,

Whereas, Article VI, Section 7 C. of Community Board 8's By-laws already provides for a committee to be constituted to consider an ethics opinion; and,

Be It Resolved that Article VI, Section 7 C. of the by-laws be amended by adding the following underlined bold language:

1. Law, Rules and Ethics Committee – Membership on the Law, Rules and Ethics Committee shall consist of those Appointed Board Members who are attorneys-at-law and other interested Appointed Board Members. When an issue arises requiring an ethics opinion or disciplinary action, an ad hoc committee shall be constituted as follows: The Board Chairperson shall appoint two (2) officers of the Board; the Chairperson of the Law, Rules and Ethics Committee shall appoint a Law, Rules and Ethics Committee member as counsel to, and a voting member of, the ad hoc ethics or disciplinary committee. Nothing herein shall prevent the Board Chairperson or the Law, Rules and Ethics Chairperson from designating themselves, except that the following criteria shall be used: If issues arise requiring convening of the ad hoc ethics or disciplinary committee more than once between July 1 of any year and June 30 of the ensuing year, the appointees shall be rotated, so that no person serves twice; and the appointees shall have no interest, financial or otherwise, which would create a conflict, or the appearance of a conflict, in carrying out their function. Participation in the ethics or disciplinary committee on an ad hoc basis shall not constitute Committee membership for the purpose of fulfilling each Member's obligation to join two committees. Membership on the Law, Rules and Ethics Committee, shall constitute committee participation for the purpose of fulfilling an Appointed Member's obligation to serve on two committees.

Motion to approve: Vote: In favor: 28    Opposed: 0    Abstentions: 1

In favor: S. Alexander, B. Bender, L. Daub, M. Della, E. Dinowitz, P. Ellis, R. Fanuzzi, N. Fazio, E. Garcia, D. Gellman, R. Ginty, J. Gomez, E. Green, R. Jacklosky, D. B. Jackson, M. Joyce, R. Pochter Lowe, T. Moran, O. Murray, T. Pardo, J. M. Reyes, G. Santiago, L. Spalter, I. W. Stone, C. Tepelus, D. Travis, S. Villaverde, M. Wolpoff    Opposed: none    Abstentions: D. Padernacht

10. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes of September 10, 2019

Vote: In favor – 29    Opposed – 0    Abstentions: 0

In favor: S. Alexander, B. Bender, L. Daub, M. Della, E. Dinowitz, P. Ellis, R. Fanuzzi, N. Fazio, E. Garcia, D. Gellman, R. Ginty, J. Gomez, E. Green, R. Jacklosky, D. B. Jackson, M. Joyce, R. Pochter Lowe, T. Moran, O. Murray, D. Padernacht, T. Pardo, J. M. Reyes, G. Santiago, L. Spalter, I. W. Stone, C. Tepelus, D. Travis, S. Villaverde, M. Wolpoff    Opposed: none    Abstentions: none

11. Discussion of Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of October 2, 2019 – None

12. Miscellaneous – None

A motion was made and approved unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

Submitted by,

Lisa Daub, Secretary