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**COMMITTEES**

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Full Board Meeting  
Thursday, February 28, 2018  
Albert Einstein College of Medicine  
Lubin Hall – 1200 Van Nest Avenue

**MINUTES**

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Those assembled recited the Pledge of Allegiance and held a moment of silence for our fallen first responders and military service personnel
3. Gallery Session
  - a. Board Member David Leavitt spoke about about the voting pollsite located at P.S. 83.
  - b. Max Resnik, Local Voices Network, spoke about a new program at the Allerton Library.
  - c. Manuel Martinez, Allerton Library, spoke about other programs at his branch.
  - d. Raphael Schweizer, Bronx Park East Community Association, spoke about the “Play Fair” Initiative and Bruxelles Lounge.
  - e. Roxanne Delgado, Friends of Pelham Parkway, spoke about lighting along Pelham Parkway.
  - f. Board Member Debby Kawalick spoke about the P.S. 83 blood drive.
4. Elected Officials
  - a. Thomas Lucania, Bronx Borough President’s Office, spoke about Camp Junior in Harriman State Park and two job fairs.
  - b. Adam Bermudez, Council Member King’s Office, spoke about the State of District Address and 3/5 Clause Awareness Day.
  - c. Mariel De La Cruz, City Comptroller’s Office, spoke about upcoming events.
  - d. Christian Amato, State Senator Biaggi’s office, spoke about the State Senator’s first bill passed providing free women’s hygiene products to young female students, the Senator’s meeting with all the community boards in the district, a Black History Month Event and First Fridays where the Senator is available to meet the public in her office.
  - e. Ranell Ogilvie, State Senator Jamaal T. Bailey’s office, spoke about an upcoming event at Monroe College.
  - f. Dylan Tragni, Assemblymember Fernandez’s office spoke about the new district office and upcoming events.

- g. Joe McManus, Council Member Torres’s Office, spoke about new legislation before the City Council.
  - h. Famod Konneh, Mayor’s Office, spoke about an upcoming event.
5. Chairman’s Report
- a. Motion by Anthony Vitaliano (seconded by Sandi Unger) to APPROVE the January 2019 Full Board Meeting Minutes, as distributed.  
**PASSED With One Abstention (Kelly Murphy)**
  - b. Motion by Anthony Vitaliano (seconded Frano Zagreda) to APPROVE of a 12 percent merit increase in salary for staff member, Chris Kirka, using John Fratta’s old salary, effective January 28, 2019.  
**PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**
6. Treasurer’s Report
- a. The report was distributed. David Leavitt asked that the report be formatted with more clarity and about a disbursement from the CB11 Friends of account to Jeremy Warneke.
7. District Manager’s Report
- a. Jeremy Warneke distributed and discussed his report.
8. Committee Reports
- a. By-Laws
    - a. Motion for February: To amend Article IV Section 3 of the bylaws to change the number of years of board membership required to be eligible for nomination as a board office from four years to two years. This bylaw change will be voted on at the February 2019 meeting and, if approved, will take effect immediately upon adoption by the board.  
**PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**
    - b. Economic Development – Motion by Dominck Schiano to send an e-mail of NO OBJECTION to the New York State Liquor Authority (NYSLA) for the following establishments:
      - a. LWB (liquor, wine & beer) license application for Williamsbridge Tavern, 1556 Williamsbridge Road
      - b. LWB license application for Applebee’s Neighborhood Grill & Bar, 1776 Eastchester Road
      - c. LWB license application for La Masa Corp., 1000 Morris Park Ave  
**PASSED WITH ONE ABSTENTION (Y. Obeid)**
    - c. Education, Culture & Youth Services
      - a. Diane Norris explained the process by which the following recipients were given Yankee Awards:
        - Salsabeel Al-Silwi, Bronx Muslim Center
        - Shanyia B. Coleman, Allerton Merchants Association
        - Daniel Flores, Pelham Parkway Neighborhood Association

- Olivia Musto, Morris Park Community Association
  - Joanna Zhao, New York Public Library
- d. Community Development & Budget Priorities
- a. It was stated that the current policy of the Committee is that budget priority requests need to be submitted to the Board Office in writing to be considered for Fiscal Year 2021.
- e. Leadership
- a. Anthony Vitaliano made a motion (seconded by Junior Campbell) to send a letter to federal elected officials to support permanent funding for the 9/11 Victims Compensation Fund.  
**PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**
- b. Anthony Vitaliano made a motion (seconded by Dominick Schiano) to send a letter to federal elected officials to support Columbus Day.  
**PASSED with three against (Daisy Rodriguez, Lisa Soto and Laura Murphy) and two abstentions (Pat Charles and Tasneem Aljayyousi)**
- c. The calendar was distributed
- f. Health & Social Services
- a. The minutes were distributed and the committee will welcome a speaker from Montefiore at their March meeting and the committee will sponsor a Health Fair in June. The committee will look into the homeless issue in the district.
- g. Parks and Recreation
- a. Joe Menta spoke about inviting elected officials to the committee. The committee would like to set goals (e.g. Bronx Park East needs attention and a Parks survey are in order).
- h. Public Safety
- i. Committee Chair Yahay Obeid spoke about holding committee meeting around the district.
- j. Sanitation & Environmental Protection
- a. Committee Chair Tony Signorile spoke about issues with a recent snow storm, the abandoned buildings at Garfield and Van Nest and racoon reports
- k. Transportation
- a. Frano Zagreda spoke of a project on Astor Avenue and making Waring Ave safer with speed bumps
- b. Frano Zagreda made a motion (seconded by Anthony Vitaliano) to approve a street activity permit for an event to take place on 3/2.  
**PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**
9. Old Business
- a. Bernadette Ferrera spoke about sites to be added to the sanitation list that require attention.

- b. Debbie Kawalick asked about the status for temporary pathway from Stillwell Ave to Pelham Parkway North
- c. Yahay Obeid asked for an update on Pelham Parkway construction – specifically PP North approaching Eastchester Road and the construction on Eastchester Road and Morris Park Ave which seems to be going over schedule and the Bronx River Parkway construction at 180<sup>th</sup> Street.
- d. Linda White spoke about Vision Zero.
- e. Dominick Schiano asked the extent of Fedcap’s work in the neighborhood.
- f. Andrea Siegel asked about street cleaning.
- g. Rabbi Moshe Fuchs comments about the meeting schedule (inaudible).
- h. David Leavitt asked if Congressperson Ocascio-Cortez would be attending one of our monthly full-board meetings.

10. New Business

- a. Shrado Pirtam asked about restaurant inspections.
- b. Veronica Castro asked about improvements to the Allerton Ave train trestle.
- c. Edth Blitzer said the next meeting of the Pelham Parkway neighborhood group is 3/12 at Bronx House and that Judge Torres is the guest speaker
- d. Bernadette Ferrera aid the Van Nest Neighborhood alliance’s next meeting is 3/4

11. Adjournment

- a. The meeting was adjourned at 9:03 p.m.