

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



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EDUCATION, YOUTH & LIBRARIES COMMITTEE

Chair:	Jhenelle Robinson
Meeting Date:	Wednesday, January 6, 2021
Meeting Time:	6:30 PM
Meeting Location:	Via Zoom Video/Teleconference
Members	✓ Jhenelle Robinson ✓ Jomar Quintana ✓ Nora Feury
(Check Those	
In Attendance)	Yeny MedinaCarmen Miranda ✓ Sasha Mejia
	Akilah Young
Minutes done by:	Jhenelle Robinson

Minutes:

- I) Introductions
 - a) Meeting called to order at 6:38 PM.
 - b) Establishment of best practices and house rules (ZOOM)
- II) Review of previous minutes
 - a) motion to accept by Nora Feury; seconded by Jomar Quintana
 - b) Quorum
- III) Follow-up from previous month (If applicable)
- IV) New Business
 - a) Update on NYPL services limited services, limited hours, adhere to CDC guidelines.
 - b) Yankee Scholarship- Other community boards have been contacted by Yankees, however we haven't. Once there is more information it will be readily available.
 - c) Fordham Public Library- DCAS Department of City Administrative Services trying to allocate space in the library as well. New location can have double the amount of people, rather than 20 like the Belmont location; it can accommodate 40 people. We're trying to push for a co-located Youth Center. Nora asked-



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how much space is there? Can we claim it before someone else? Hugo Gonzalez answered there is 27,000 Sq Ft available.

- d) We discussed Covid rates have spiking, as well as, went over Covid protocol.
- e) Catherine Garcia of the Cardinal McClosky Community Services, serving over 1,000 Pre-K students ages 3-4 in the Bronx (lost 50% of their students due to Covid-19, now have 500 students). They've been battling with Covid, opening and closing, however there are still resources available. There is a center located on 204th St and Hull Avenue. They are having open enrollment for 3&4 year olds. There's also a virtual program and remote services offered from 8:30AM-2:30PM, with alternative hours and software that can be used at other times. They do provide tablets if a family can't afford one, as well as backpacks with supplies. They also offer grab and go meals and mental health support service. Their website is CMCS.org. They're located at Tolentine and Msgr. Boyle. They also have provider homes for children 0-3 year olds
- V) Next meeting date Wednesday, February 3rd, 2021 at 6:30 PM
- VI) Discussion on next agenda
- VII) Adjournment Meeting Adjourned at 7:11 PM; seconded by Nora Feury