



Chairman: Brandon Ganaishlal - District Manager: William Rivera

Youth & Education Committee Meeting Summary

September 9, 2021

Board Members Present: Monique Farrington, Lashei Deoleo, DM Rivera

- 1. Committee Description:** The youth & education committee represents the community's interests with regards to education and programs that target the youth and acts as a liaison between community members and the NYC Department of Education including Parent Advocates, PTA's, Educators and Principals, School Safety, the Administration for Children Services, the District Attorney's Office, NYC department of Youth & Development and local organizations and nonprofits.

- 2. Speakers/Presentations**

- A. Amy Tsai (Vice President), CEC8 and Bronx Parent Leaders Advocacy Group,**
Topic: The Need for a Remote Option- Ms. Tsai stated that full in person is not the appropriate way for children to go back to school, especially with the delta variant. Ms. Tsai stated that the Parents leader's advocacy group invited the Mayor, UFT, CSA and the Chancellor to the table and the only person that participated was the Chancellor and the CSA President. They have also met with DOE on Tuesday and legislators. Ms. Tsai stated that children's lives are important and remote should be an option for everyone. DM Rivera stated that a letter can be sent to find out what are the protocols if a child has COVID, ask if there's a fact sheet, etc.

Amy Tsai shared the following links:

- Social Media Handles: Like / Follow/ Subscribe to us on all platforms and comment on our posts: Facebook: @bxparentleaders Twitter: @bxparentleaders Instagram: @bxparentleaders YouTube: Bronx Parent Leaders Advocacy Group Email: advocate@bxparentleaders.org
- https://docs.google.com/document/d/1HgHiooFn605MQPF_UuPwqTmdm2X117nh4gdproRtpU/edit
- Strike Toolkit!!https://docs.google.com/document/d/1HgHiooFn605MQPF_UuPwqTmdm2X117nh4gdproRtpU/edit
- <https://www.schools.nyc.gov/school-year/school-year-2021-22>

- B. Margia Shiriti-BAFA, Bangladesh Academy of Fine Arts, Artistic Director-**

Margia Shiriti gave a beautiful presentation on BAFA that showed dancing, different performances and the teachings that BAFA does. Ms. Shiriti shared how to join www.bafausa.org/register

- 3. DM Update**

- The new office payments for CB9 are finally going through with the Comptroller's Office and DCAS. By the end of the year the office should be moved.

- Meetings will be remote for September and probably until the end of the year. The open meetings law was suspended.
- CB9 has done book bag drives, food drives and there will be a small book bag giveaway with Lafayette and Boynton Estates tomorrow, only for the residents in buildings. The event will be 1pm-3pm
- BAFA will be having a 50th anniversary event
- DM Rivera attended a candlelight vigil for 2 people who were shot at Monroe houses. DM Rivera stated that Monroe houses will be getting cameras.
- There will be a 20th anniversary event for 9/11 at Unionport on Saturday

Meeting Adjourned: 8:00 PM

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