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**Executive Committee Minutes**

**May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024**

**Clarisa Alayeto, Chairperson**

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**LGBTQIA committee events and outreach for pride run.**

- Committee Chair Audrey Dejesus discusses LGBTQIA committee updates, including pride run events and outreach.
- Committee Chair Audrey Dejesus seeks input from LGBTQIA community on how to get involved in planning and execution of events.

**Co-naming streets & Setting standards for nominations,**

- Committee Chair Ngande Ambroise discusses process for naming streets after individuals, emphasizing importance of community input and consensus.
- Committee Chair Ngande Ambroise raises concerns about naming streets after people with problematic pasts, advocating for thorough investigation and community input.
- Chairperson Clarisa Alayeto discusses standardizing naming protocols for community spaces.

**Healthcare access and outcomes for marginalized communities.**

- Committee Chair Marilyn Pena discusses Urban Health Plan presenting at committee.
- Chairperson Clarisa Alayeto discuss potential Health Day Fair. Collaboration should happen between LGBTQIA, Health & Human Services committees.

**Immigration services and community engagement.**

- The Committee Chair gave an overview of the Mayor's Office for Immigrant Affairs – MOIA – Know Your Rights Presentation to over 45 African new arrivals who attended the meeting with Board & Committee Members

### **Improving accessibility for seniors at banks.**

- Committee Chair Josephine Fernandez-Byrne provided updates from the Seniors & Aging committee
- Committee Chair Josephine Fernandez-Byrne and District Manager Anthony Jordan had a discussion with Chase Bank in terms of accessibility.
- Committee Chair Josephine Fernandez-Byrne discusses issues with Access-A-Ride and Chase Bank, seeking to improve resource allocation and community involvement.
- Committee Chair Josephine Fernandez-Byrne plans to meet with senior centers to understand their needs and offer supplemental activities, with a focus on accessibility and inclusivity.

### **Improving financial access in the Bronx through a new credit union.**

- Committee Chair Sonyi Lopez commented that Bronx Financial Access Coalition aims to establish a federal credit union in the Bronx, providing affordable banking options for residents.
- Committee Chair Sonyi Lopez discusses coalition's efforts to address seniors' financial security issues with banks and post offices.

### **Education leadership and committee initiatives.**

- Committee Chair Zion Baldwin to chair Education & Youth Services committee, discusses continuing legacy and new leadership.

### **Education inequities and engaging families in schools.**

- Committee Chair Zion Baldwin discusses education in the district, highlighting failing schools and lack of resources, while also mentioning successful charter schools.
- Committee Chair Zion Baldwin emphasizes the importance of engaging families in education and activating them to be more involved in lifting education.
- Committee Chair Zion Baldwin discusses complexities of foster care and parental involvement in education.

### **Environmental justice, waterfront development, and funding for cleanup projects.**

- Committee Chair Cesar Yoc discusses environmental justice issues in a coastal area, including flooding and waterfront remediation.
- Committee Chair Cesar Yoc provided an synopsis of what transpired in the committee. Department of Environmental Protection made a presentation about a Lead Pipe changing program. South Bronx Unite provided an update on HeARTS center and waterfront.

### **Providing interpretation services and finding meeting spaces for the community board.**

- Chairperson Clarisa Alayeto encourages community members to submit events for posting on the community board's website and newsletter.
- Chairperson Clarisa Alayeto mentions the need for interpretation services at General Board meetings to make them accessible to a wider audience.

### **Board member removal procedures and ethics violations.**

- Committee Chair Dalourny Nemorin expressed that committee members can be removed for missing meetings or ethics violations.

### **Board member removal process and quorum requirements.**

- The board may remove a member through a majority vote at a scheduled meeting, with the final decision made by the board.

### **Updating bylaws, committees, and licensing procedures.**

- Committee Chair Dalourny Nemorin discusses changes to the board's bylaws, including merging committees and creating a new licensing and permits committee.
- Chairperson Clarisa Alayeto emphasizes the importance of having a dedicated committee for licensing and permits to streamline processes and make meetings more efficient.

### **Committee chair roles and evaluations for September.**

- Committee chairs to be evaluated annually, with chair and vice chair roles up for re-appointment.

### **Conflicts of interest.**

- Committee members should object before allowing a vote if they believe someone has a conflict of interest.

### **Committee rules and procedures.**

- Committee Chair Evelyn Alvarez discusses committee conflicts of interest and voting procedures.
- Committee Chair Evelyn Alvarez mentions need for clarification on eligibility to vote and public hearing rules.

### **Conflict resolution training and committee meeting dates.**

- Committee Chair Evelyn Alvarez will be reaching out to finalize core group for conflict resolution training.

**Action Items**

Finalize committee structures and definitions for September implementation.

Schedule one-on-one exit interviews with current committee chairs to discuss future plans.

Develop final protocol for street renaming process.

Research fair share housing laws and caps on supportive/transitional housing.

Improve HPD housing data quality.