

# Bronx Community Board #2

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Roberto Crespo  
Chairperson



Ralph Acevedo  
District Manager

## Full Board Minutes

Date: December 18th, 2019

Time: 6:00 pm

Place: The Point CDC: 940 Garrison Ave, Bronx, NY

### Members present

Thelvis Alston Jr.  
Evelyn Arauz  
Paula Fields-Conyers  
Luis Castillo  
Roberto Crespo  
Altagracia Cruz  
Julia Cruz, LMSW  
Sandra De Jesus  
Alexandra Guadalupe  
Yvonne Guillen  
Thalia Simone Lindquist  
Barbara Lopez  
Roland Lopez  
Luis Marrero  
Edwin Martinez  
Monique Minis  
Rev Moses Oladosu  
Lynette Olmo  
Maggie Ortiz  
Stephanie Portillo  
Larry Robinson  
Sylvia Sanchez  
Richard Sherman  
Viancey Taveras  
Maria Torres  
Marylean Wrotten  
John Udo Okun

### Members absent

Kevin Ellison  
Jeffrey Korn  
Mary Lean Wrotten  
Sonya Ferguson  
Jesse Harris  
Shaquan Huntt  
Nicholas Madio  
Cedric McClester

### Excused

Stephanie Cordero

### Staff Present:

### Community Board #2 Officers

Roberto Crespo, Chairperson  
Julia Cruz, 1st Vice Chair  
Larry Robinson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair  
Paula Fields- Conyers, Treasurer  
Yvonne Guillen, Secretary

# FULL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** Wednesday, December 18th, 2019

**TIME:** 6:00 PM

**PLACE:** The Point CDC: 940 Garrison Ave, Bronx, NY

## Agenda

### **MTA- Jackie Carter, Assistant Director of transit for the Bronx**

- Bronx Bus Network redesign final plan-over 300 pages changing routes for the buses in the Bronx. A copy of the plan will be sent to the Community Board 2's office .
- If you want to learn more about the plan please check out the website at [new.mta.info/bronxbusredesign](http://new.mta.info/bronxbusredesign)
- Public hearing happening February 20<sup>th</sup> and plan is not expected to be implemented until next fall

**Correction to November's minutes by Alexis from BP Ruben Diaz' Jr. office, the deadline for anyone to apply to become a community board member is February 7 instead of February 27.**

### **I. PUBLIC SESSION: (Not to exceed 15 minutes - 3 minutes per item; A maximum of 2 presenters per item)**

- **Kamad Marby-** Kids Arthur and has his own YouTube channel with his daughter teaching responsibility through slime making. He is extending his craft and is reaching out to local community.
- **Jennifer(Open arms)-**Open arms is located in the corner of 161 street and Westchester avenue. They service anyone who is 21 year and over & seniors, but you must qualify for the program. They have a socialization program where they serve meals, go on trip and do many different activities.

### • COMMANDING OFFICER REPORT – (41<sup>st</sup> Precinct)

Captain Schublin from the 41<sup>st</sup>, gave the report– discussed 28 day totals for crime stats. The captain thanked the board for honoring his auxiliary and explorers.

### **II. BUSINESS SESSION: (BOARD MEMBERS)**

**A. Roll Call** **Ms. Yvonne Guillen, Secretary**

Quorum was met - 27present, 8absent, 1excused

**B. Adoption of Minutes** **Roberto Crespo, Board Chair**

Sandra De Jesus made a motion to adopt the minutes. Edwin voted nay for the adoption of the minutes and

Rev Moses abstain from voting due to an absence. Motion passed

**C. Chairperson's Report**                      **Roberto Crespo, Board Chair**

**District Manager's Report**                      **Rafael Acevedo**

Ralph handed out the recognitions to the explorers and auxiliary cops of the 41<sup>st</sup> precinct.

### **Elected Officials Report**

**Council Member Salamanca-** Wished everyone a happy holidays . Council Member Salamanca spoke about the turkey giveaway over 2,000 turkeys were given away to the community, over 1,000 coats were given away at the Coat drive and he mention the toy drive with the 41<sup>st</sup> precinct. CM Salamanca Acknowledged Mr. Quinones as being a pillar of the community and an advocate for 52 playground. CM Salamanca is sponsoring the Annual Abrazos Holiday Party at Maestros. He was able to get a bill passed in which it requires developers to set aside 15% of units for homeless families.

**Assembly member Marcos Crespo-** Thanked 41<sup>st</sup> precinct for all their work in the community. He mentioned the greenlight bill , the bill to protect your online history, film studio initiative, and the carwash industry.

**Senator Luis Sepulveda** – Senator Sepulveda thank the 41<sup>st</sup> precinct and CB2 for the toy donation. He mentioned that ever since he took over the office they have received over 10,200 visits and they have been able to stop 200 evictions. He was one of the representatives that sponsored the greenlight bill.

**Bronx Borough President Ruben Diaz(Alexis)-** Mentioned the Reso A information session happening on December 18<sup>th</sup> at Lehman college. Alexis spoke about an event happening on January 27<sup>th</sup> , 2020 from 6-9pm at Metropolitan College. BP wishes everyone a happy holiday

## **III. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **A. Franchise, Licensing, & Permit Committee**

Ms. Stephanie Portillo, Chairperson

1. A motion to write a letter of objection to New York State for club W's name change. Club W is located at 673 Hunts Points Ave, Bronx, NY. The motion was second by Alexandra Guadalupe. Motion passed
2. Write a letter of support to New York State to rename playground 52 park second by Thalia Simone. Motion Passed
3. Write a letter of support to New York State to rename Kelly & St John Ave after Al Quinones second by Maggie Ortiz. Motion Passed

**A. Housing and Land Use Committee**  
Mr. Nicholas Madio, Chairperson

**B. Health & Human Services Committee**  
Mr. Luis Marrero, Chairperson

- C. Youth Services Committee  
Mr. Larry Robinson, Chairperson
- D. Education Committee  
Mr. Cedric McClester, Co-chairperson & Yvonne Guillen Co-chairperson
- E. Economic Development and Municipal Services  
Ms. Maria Torres, Chairperson
- F. Environmental Committee  
Mr. Roland Lopez, Chairperson
- G. Veterans Committee  
Mr. Dondi McKellar, Chairperson
- H. Special Events Committee

**Old Business**

Edwin Martinez has to submit the request to amend by laws in writing to chairperson Crespo.

**New Business**

**VIII. Roll Call - Ms. Yvonne Guillen, Secretary**

- Roll Call was conducted; 27present, 8absent, 1excused
- The meeting adjourned at 8:00PM