

Minutes of the Brooklyn Borough Board Meeting Tuesday, March 4, 2025; 6:00 p.m. Brooklyn Borough Hall and Via Webex Livestream Recorded Meeting

Welcome & Roll Call

Roll call was conducted at 6:13 p.m. There were 20 members present, and it was determined that quorum had been met.

Community Boards: Gina Barros, Rosemary Espinal (CB1), Anthony Buissereth (CB3), Robert Camacho (CB4), Alice Lowman (CB5), Irsa Weatherspoon (CB8), Fred Baptiste (CB9), Shirley Chin (CB10), Marnee Elias-Pavia (CB11), Jeany Hernandez (CB13), Karl-Henry Cesar (CB14), Theresa Scavo (CB 15), Genese Morgan, Margaret Brewer (CB 16), Trisha Louison (CB 17), Naomi Hopkins (CB18)

Online: Jeffrey Sanoff CB 13, Dealice Fuller CB 1

Council Members: Angela Yang (Restler-33), Victoria Peters (Gutierrez 34), Michelle Beatty (Osse-36), Matthew Malloy (Hanif-39), (Ayanna Njeri Williams (Mealy 41), Michael Lambert (Banks 42), Anna Firsova (Zhuang-43).

Borough President's Office: Corina Lozada (General Counsel), Carol-Ann Church, (Community Boards Unit), Martin Fitzpatrick (IT).

Approval of the Agenda

Motioned by Chair Scavo and seconded by Chair Baptiste, passed by consensus.

Approval of the Minutes

Meeting held on 02.04.2025, motioned by Chair Baptiste and seconded by Chair Scavo. Chair Weatherspoon requested amendment to statement regarding hybrid open meetings, Designee Hernandez wanted specific notation that Community Board 13 voted down the ULURP proposal to de-map streets in the district. There were no objections to the amendments and the minutes passed by consensus

Borough Hall & Board Member Updates

 Chair Baptiste- Downstate Advisory Board final meeting on March 13 – scheduled to give recommendation by April 1. Can offer in-person or written testimony.

- Chair Cesar annual youth conference on March 12 from 4:00 -7;00 p.m. at Flatbush
- Chair Buissereth March 6 @ 2pm, resource fair at Restoration Plaza, community room
- Michael Lambert for CM Banks: Public Safety and Transportation Forum (March 19)
 Non-profit capacity building and training, March 22 (Hope City Church) 12 pm -3pm
- Borough President's Office-Community Board Applications closed 1100 + applications received
 - State of the Borough Address at Boys and Girls High School
 - Tax preparation at Borough Hall \$63K single filers, \$95K persons with dependents
 - BP Reynoso is celebrating the legacy of former Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm at the African Art Museum in Restoration Plaza
 - Our new website launched today.
 - Communication department has agreed to create a separate landing page for the borough Board. Will announce when the page is created.
- Clarification sought on members being called to interview.
 - Members who have attended less than 50% of meetings are required to interview as a condition of being reappointed.

Unfinished Business

- Hybrid meetings law keep item on agenda
- Borough Board By-laws
 - Formed committee
 - Chair Baptiste (CB 9), Chair Scavo (CB15), Designee Rosemary Espinal (CB 1), Chair Weatherspoon (CB8), Designee Mujica-Diaz (CB 13), Designee Brewer (CB16), Designee Michelle Beatty (CD36), Borough President's designee
 - o Borough President's office will reach out to convene committee meeting

Communications & Reports

Due to miscommunication the presenter was unable to attend. Will reschedule.

Adjournment at 6:33 p.m.