

BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8

**MINUTES OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON MAY 28TH, 2013 AT THE
RIVERDALE MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION**

Present

Sylvia Alexander
Marvin Goodman
Robert Press
A. S. Ben-Merre

Affiliation

Chair, Education Committee
CB8-Committee Member
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Guests:

Robert Fanuzzi
Amy Hibshoosh
Cliff Stanton
Alicia Stewart

CB8, Chair
Kinneret Day School
Community Resident-PS24 PA
Community Resident

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 PM.

The minutes of the meeting of April 23, 2013 could not be approved for lack of quorum.

The SAPO application of Kinneret Day School's street fair to take place on October 6, 2013 on West 235 Street between Douglas Avenue and Independence Avenue was presented by Amy Hibshoosh but could not be approved because of the lack of a quorum. The Chair will present a resolution at the general meeting on June 11th to be voted on by the full board.

Discussion of legislation regarding cameras in schools being mandatory was presented by Cliff Stanton, PS 24's Chair of the Safety Team. No conclusion was determined but the Principal and the Safety Team will address it within the school.

Discussion regarding the Community Service Forum which took place on May 28th at 10:00 AM at the Kingsbridge Library. The Forum was well attended by 5 schools and 21 students with advisors, parents and members of the Education Committee. The students presented their Community Service projects which were very impressive and everyone was caught up in the enthusiasm with which they were delivered. All participants were given a certificate of appreciation for taking the time to share their projects. It went so well that the students are looking forward to next year's forum and hopefully there will be more schools involved.

The Chair announced that Chancellor Walcott and City Council Speaker Quinn have reached an agreement to accelerate the replacement of light fixtures in 645 school buildings to prevent PCB contamination. The new timeline will expedite the work of the remaining replacements to be finished in approximately 3 ½ years.

Budget priorities were laid over.

The next meeting will be held on June 25TH, at the Board Office.

Respectfully submitted,

Sylvia Alexander, Chair
Education Committee