Building a Relationship with Your Community Board
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NEW YORK CITY CHARTER SCHOOL CENTER
Agenda

✔ The Role of the Community Board
✔ Committees vs General Meetings
✔ Presenting to the Community Board
✔ Joining the Community Board
The Role of the Community Board

To consider the needs of the local community it serves, and advise city officials on new proposals and policies.

*Community Boards are advisory only. They make recommendations.*
The Mandate

1. Dealing with land use and zoning issues
2. Assessing the needs of their own neighborhoods
3. Addressing other community concerns
When should you meet with the Community Board?

- Attend meetings as a member of the community
- Your first meeting should not be an ask
Presenting to the Community Board

- State the mission of your organization
- Highlights from the previous academic year
- Updates from the current school year
- Extend an invite to a school event
- Q & A
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<td>Liaison between educational institutions and local residents</td>
<td>Full agenda, large crowd, extended meetings</td>
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<td>Some members also serve on the <a href="#">Community Education Council</a></td>
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<td>Easier to get on the agenda and to build relationships with the members</td>
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AGENDA

I. CHAIR INTRODUCTION

II. PRESENTATIONS
   A. Esther Lelievre, Co-Founder - Cultivated Community Foundation

III. DISCUSSION
   A. Capital Funding, Dr. Dawn Brooks Decosta, Deputy Superintendent - Community District 5
   B. Mayor's Proposed Cuts to Libraries Will Hurt New Yorkers, Leaders Say

IV. OLD BUSINESS

V. NEW BUSINESS

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

VII. ADJOURNMENT

1. Introductions

2. Presentations
   • Dr. Roberto Padilla, Superintendent
     Community School District 7
     Re: #believein07
     Questions and Answers
   • Ms. Naomi Pena, LAC Co-Founder
     Literacy Academy Collective
     Re: To present the new school the South Bronx Literacy Academy (Voting Item)
     Questions and Answers

3. Adjournment
Public Safety Committee

The purpose of the safety committee is to increase public safety by working with local and citywide stakeholders.
- law enforcement
- social service agencies
- education
Joining the Community Board
Structure of the Community Board

**Maximum number of members**: 50

**No residency requirement**: Members do not need to live in the community.

**Terms**:
- Half of the membership is appointed every year.
- Not more than 25% of the appointed members shall be City employees.
Board Member vs Public Member

You can join a committee (e.g., Youth and Education Committee) as a Public member.

→ Public members can vote only in committees.
Application

**Bronx** - Deadline was March 15.

**Brooklyn** - Deadline was February 23.

**Queens** - Deadline was February 16.

**Manhattan** - Deadline was March 31.

**Staten Island** - Applications are accepted year-round.

*Members are appointed by the Borough President*
Tips for Joining a Community Board

Attend a few board meetings before applying

Your application is subject to the Freedom of Information Law

Is there an issue that you’re passionate about that is fueling your desire to join the Community Board and/or participate in a committee?

CBs seek to boost diversity
Additional Resources

Find your Community Board using the NYC Department of Planning’s Community District Profiles.

Community Board Contact List
Questions?