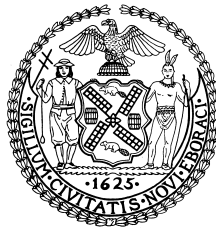


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**The City of New York  
Community Board 8 Manhattan  
Youth, Education & Libraries Committee  
Monday, October 28, 2019 - 6:30PM  
The Ramaz School  
125 East 85th Street**

**CB8 Committee Members in Attendance:** Alexandria Abenshon (Co-Chair), Ed Hartzog, Debra Teitelbaum, Dorothea Newman, Alida Camp, Michael Hoffman (Public Member)

**CB8 Committee Members Absent (Excused):** Peter Patch (Co-Chair)

**CB8 Committee Members Absent:** Lori Ann Bores, Sarah Chu, Sophia James, Lorraine Johnson, Cece King, David Menegon

**Minutes:**

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM by co-chair Alexandria Abenshon.

**Item 1: Discussion and planning of educational panel.**

The committee's singular agenda item consisted of a discussion of the topic of a forthcoming panel put on by YEL. Initially the idea began as a conversation around specialized high school testing and admissions, but the ideas soon blossomed.

Ideas included:

- Gifted & Talented (& Tracking)
- Charter Schools
- Consent & Sexual Harassment
  - Hallways
  - Holla Back
- Informed Trauma
- What Makes a Good Teacher
- Navigating Fake News
- Tough Topics
  - Sex, drinking, drugs, hate crimes
  - Illness, death
- Social Media Safety
  - Common Sense Media
- Elementary School Exploration
  - Each time meeting features a principal from a different school
- Literacy Education, particularly for elementary school aged children
  - How to get your kids to engage with books

- Modeling, how do parents engage with a book
- Book Swap, take a book & leave a book
- Devices, media education
- “Starting Earlier”
  - Speakers: Teachers talking about G&T, SHSAT

The committee developed a lot of great ideas to use in the forthcoming months.

The committee plan to host the panel in January, potentially before the session begins in Albany. The committee plans to market directly to the schools and use our various connections to conduct the correct outreach and build a big crowd.

Ultimately the general direction the committee will be taking the panel is a focus on sexual assault, followed by a panel on talking to your kids about tough topics. Next steps include brainstorming speakers, pinning them down (as well as a date!).

With next steps in place, the meeting adjourned at 7:28 PM.

Lex Abenshon Peter Patch, Co-Chairs