ARTS AND CULTURE COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, March 3rd, 2014. 6:30pm, Broadway Housing Communities, 583 Riverside Drive, 7th Floor

Committee Members:
Joyce Adewumi, Chair (present), Harriet Rosebud (present), Signe Mortensen (present), Sabrina Francis (present), Barry Weinberg (present)

Public Member
Guy Bisserette (absent), Jo Johnson (excused)

Others in Attendance
Jully from Columbia Office of Government and Community Affairs

I. Meeting called to order at 6:41 pm

II. Motion to except agenda made by Sabrina Francis and seconded by Signe Mortensen.

III. Motion to adopt minutes made by Harriet Rosebud and seconded by Signe Mortensen.

IV. Introduction/Presentation/Announcements

V. Announcements
Jully announced an “Open House sponsored by the Columbia’s Office of Gov’t and Community Affairs”. Will be held on Thursday, March 6th, 2014 at Nash Building on 96 Old Broadway, 133rd and Broadway

VI. Subcommittee Reports

1. Artist Directory Subcommittee, Barry Weinberg, Chair
   Nothing new to report since last meeting

2. Events Sub Committee, Signe Mortensen, Chair
   Spoke about NYC’s Multicultural Festival-Celebrate Diversity Celebrate You of Saturday, May 31st, 2014 from 12 noon to 6 pm. The map will designate the different areas planned for the various activities and opportunities for anyone in community to participate.
   All are able to register on line. Signe also mentioned that there will be or has been a request for discretionary funds to use for outreach purpose. Signe also shared what happened at the meeting held at Tanillo where we discussed the multicultural fair and what each person will be responsible for carrying out. Multicultural Festival – All registration is online and link should be ready in next couple of days. (March 3rd to 6th) Link: www.celebratediversitycelebrateyou.org

3. Marketing Subcommittee, Harriet Rosebud, Chair
   Stated that she is in charge of creating the festival map that will designate where villages, vendors and other areas will be placed. Also shared her ideas to get artist involved in their perspective villages when not performing on stage.

4. Archives Sub Committee, Jo Johnson, Chair
   No report due to excused absence of Jo Johnson
5. Resolutions Sub Committee, Sabrina Francis, Chair
   Letter of support for the “Multicultural Festival: Celebrate Diversity, Celebrate You” was
   approved at the last general board meeting.

6. Strategic Planning Committee, Harriet Rosebud and Signe Mortensen
   HR and SM reported that there was discussion of codes to be serviced (31, 27, and 25, and/plus
   24) and to see a breakdown of how many people were being serviced in the mentioned zip
   codes. These areas are being targeted so that Columbia University would allow community
   members to have access to the following:
   There was discussion of the need to reserve space in building for artist, auditing of classés, also
   where and to whom the scholarship are given, nonprofits, facilities for community access etc.
   All to make sure that CB9 is being serviced in a fair proportion compared to the other areas
   mentioned and then some.
   Due to the nature of the agreement with Columbia there is a need to find out what is the
   monetary value of the in-kind services offered by Columbia. Signe will research this and will
   report her findings at the next meeting and how it can benefits artist. Will also speak with Kofi
   for clarification.
   It is also decided who will contact the venues on St. Nicholas between 141st and 145th to request
   collaboration or participation in the festival. Will send letters and “Save the date” cards.

VII. Old Business
   - Signe stated that DTH (Dance Theater of Harlem) needed a performing artist due to the
     cancellation of the previous scheduled. Need someone from 3 – 4 pm for an 8-10 minute
     performance time. It is also decided who will contact the venues on St. Nicholas between 141th
     and 145th to request collaboration or participation in the festival. Will send letters and “Save the
     date” cards.

VIII. New Business

IX. Adjourn – 8:23 pm.

Submitted by Sabrina Francis