Community Board 9M
16-18- Old Broadway
New York City, NY 10027
January 12, 2017 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: Jan. 12, 2017
Time: 6:30 PM
Place: Broadway Houses 583 RSD

The roll was taken and 6 were present thus not constituting a quorum
The meeting was called to attention by Vice Chair VE

Reports:

Chair: PJ: To be submitted to Gen Bd [he is excused due to sickness]

Treasurer: JM: Provided spreadsheet

DM: E Prince: Provided report

Noted the passing of Martin Smith

Called to attention the fact that Police are hiring. Additionally Health Dept has a shot to treat and overdose of drugs. GMT decried the lack of training

6:59, there was a quorum so the meeting was called to order

Agenda: BW: add BSD Reform reso for Gen Bd mtg. There is a City Council hearing 1/26 – UNAM

Minutes with any subsequent emendations: CT/VE: UNAM

Committee Goals and accomplishments:

Uniformed Svs /Transportation Committee

CT: We have been working with DOT on their traffic flow initiatives and expect to spend a good amount of time on this in 2017. We are working for Bike share to go north of 130th St and enhancing safety for bike riders throughout the district. The MTA has changed the route of the M-5 to end at 31th Street. [It will meet up with an extension which will continue the routing.
Arts and Culture

JA: We have worked on increasing access to public arts programming through the NYC Multicultural We have created and Arts Expo to connect our Teaching Artists to the schools and cultural organizations in our community while creating a pathway for more CB9 artists to become Teaching Artists. We have partnered with the libraries to create a platform for the exhibitions of art by CB9 artists. Furthermore, we have completed an online artist directory making it easier for people to contact CB9 artists. In addition to continuing our present work we plan to organize an auction to enable our artists sell their works.

Health/Human Services

MD: We hosted a seminar on K-2 needs and also a Town Hall on Violence epidemic

Parks and Recreation/Landmarks

JM: We organized cleanup events and we hope to expand community involvement in 2017. Oversaw the renovation of the playground in Montefiore Park. Hopes that monies can be used for improvements. Re Landmarks: Working to expand the Morningside Hist District to Riverside Drive.

Seniors

GMT: We got improvements to the 10027 PO. Now there are seats for the seniors and respect for them; we will be writing a letter to thank the new manager. We will continue to monitor and turn our attention to the Hamilton Grange Station... Re Senior Housing: We will be hosting a forum in April to develop a plan that not only works for CB9 but the whole city as well. There is space as many of the churches have air rights that can be utilized. We also want to change the way income is calculated. We will be working with the Wilson Major Morris Center on their development plans.

Economic Development

JT: Accomplishments: got Columbia info to the community; the successful West Harlem Restaurant Week; the explorers. There was talk of creating a Merchant Association, but GMT stated that there had been an alliance which should be rejuvenated.

Youth and Libraries

AB: Have worked on CU school expansion; may be co-located in PS 36. Need to work with all the stakeholders

Housing / Land Use

BW: We hosted HDFC forums and meetings. We got changes to the city plans. We helped a number of distressed HDFCs. For 2017, we will continue to try to fix the HDFC regulatory
agreement; we will continue to try to identify city land on which affordable housing can be built. We also will be working on the rezoning of Morningside Heights. Our goal is to be proactive

**Strategic Planning**

VE: Accomplishments: The web site; work with Columbia to hold them accountable—jobs and the Employment Center. For 2017: Outreach to Manhattanville and Grant tenants; work with 3333 Bway. We want the WHDC grant awardees to come to CB9 committees and the General Meeting to provide updates

**LBTGQ**

BW: Working with the DA’s Office to outreach

**Reports**

**Parks and Recreation: JM**

Distrib a packet on a proposed concession / arcade at 151 and Riverside Drive on the lines of 105th street and the Boat Basin. And there are plans for it to have public rest rooms. Asked for feedback from EcoDev. Issue to come before full Board.

**NYC Multicultural Festival: BW**

Letter of support will be brought before Gen Bd.

**Other Issues**

JY: The community room in the Hamilton Grange Library is in bad shape and the temperature controls need to be fixed. [It was noted that they are included in our Budget Priorities request.]

VE: Requested that all committee chairs send in a listing of accomplishments and goals for inclusion in the website.

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**

None

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:27

Respectfully Submitted

*Theodore Kovaleff*

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Executive Committee January 12, 2017

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NOTE: JT AND AB ARE NOT MEMBERS OF THE EXEC COMMITTEE, BUT REPRESENTED THEIR COMMITTEES