Executive committee Minutes

October 9, 2014

16-18 Old Broadway

New York, New York 10027

The minutes and agenda were moved and seconded.

District Managers Report was not in the package, it will be available at the General Board Meeting in October. The budget review is in your packets and the review is needed by October 24, 2014.

The Parks Department has 5 million available for green projects, such as clean air and environmental protection projects. There will be a green landscape workshop on Monday, October 22nd at 6:00PM.

Columbia University will have a session on Alzheimer and Dementia illnesses on October 30th 2014.

The Public Library has a project “Old Harlem”. They are asking people to do oral histories of Harlem the way it used to be. They will be supplying recorders for those who wish to record memories of the old Harlem. The dates for these sessions are 11/3 from 5-7PM and 11/8 at the Hamilton Grange Library on 145th street and on October 31st from 11-1:30PM and 11/8 from 2-4PM at the Bruce Library on 125th street.

October is Domestic Violence month and sessions will be held on the subject on 10/21at 5PM at the 26th, 28th and 32nd precincts. The stats from the 26th precinct are not that high.

Treasurers Report. Anthony Fletcher is recuperating at home. He is expected back to the board in several months. BM informed the Board that Councilman Mark Levine has allocated 2k for Community Board 9 from his discretionary funding. AT suggested that we look at discretionary funding for next year. She stated that we are his district and we should be allocated more funding from the Councilman. He funded more for Inwood than this district. WS stated money is going elsewhere that should be given to this district. Board members should write their displeasure with discretionary funding to the Councilman. The Chair stated that much is discussed at the meetings about this matter and nothing is done after the meetings. We should write these things down. EP stated the process will begin again in February. TK stated Mark Levine has a program where people can testify for some of the 1million in grant money. If we don’t request this funding then it is a done deal. AT stated that we should thank him for his contribution and that we recognize that he has funded out of the district projects and none in our/his district.

The Chairs report will be given out at General Board and at that time attendance of committee chairs will be reviewed. She stated that Chairs have to honor their responsibilities. If we don’t take it seriously
then none of our members will. They can have a representative of the committee attend meetings for the Chairs. She stated let’s become a pro-active board,

AT stated that A. Gordon-Browner was not at the last meeting. The Chair stated that there is a process, e-mails and letters were sent to Ms. Gordon-Browner and she has not responded. This matter will be taken to the General Board. Economic Development Committee needs more members. The Chair can appoint members to committees where they are needed. There will be some re-assignments. CT has reached out to A. Gordon-Browner and has received no answers. As per the by-laws, we will take it up at the next General Board meeting. A vote was taken by the Executive Committee and it was unanimously voted to terminate for cause. It will be brought up at the General Board.

Strategic Planning: Victor presented a chart of the 197A Community Benefits Agreement and the different aspects such as Arts and Culture. Chairs of committees were asked to comment on parts of the agreement that pertain to their committees and if they are receiving the support from Columbia for their needs. Victoria Mason-Allen has not responded to his report given to her in March. He advocated “Growing Together”.

SJ Principals were invited to the Education Meeting. BM stated the principals were supposed to attend monthly meetings with the Education committee or at least every two months. CS thanked Victor for his charting of community benefits agreement. BM stated the job center for the community was not usable.

JP stated that the Dental Van usage was questioned and the answer was no community use. He asked who should be held to the fire for services we need. We need a person to go to for a variety of services.

Victor stated the Chair of the Board is who we should go to and then She hopes to get those answers.SJ We need to work together with Victoria Mason Allen. What are the next steps because of violations to the Community Benefits Agreement. SJ stated that all committee chairs should put together a list of things are included in the CBA that we are not getting. We are not getting the representation from Columbia via Victoria Mason-Allen. Maxello Griffin – Direct to Victor and Victor will address the Chair and then the Chair will direct a letter to Maxello Griffin to bring the issues to the strategic planning committee meeting on October 23, 2014.

WS Housing committee reso not voted on due to compromises of committee members. AT the reso was made to the Board. WS Housing could not vote on the issue. TK since Housing Committee could not vote it will have to be brought up to the Board under new business. BT a special meeting CT responded the meeting with DOT. BT said every meeting of the Board has to be public, TK all members are welcome. BT this is out of order to have a meeting where the public cannot attend. CT This is just a committee meeting of members. BM We do not need to continue this practice. AT IF Joe Schmo appears at the meeting will he be barred? BM Send out a public notice.

The meeting was then adjourned.