

STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

September 15, 2015
Broadway Housing, 583 Riverside Drive

Attending Committee Members: Victor Edwards – Chair, Arnold Boatner, LaQuita Henry, Linda Walton,

Community Members: Mary Caldwell – Morningside Gardens

Meeting called to attention at 6:45

Agenda adopted / Minutes not available for prior meeting

DISCUSSION

- **Potential CB9 Retreat:**
 - Discussion was held around the idea of a “day time” retreat for all Board Members. Possible Goals included:
 - Strengthening relationships between Board members
 - Encouraging more participation by Board members
 - Increasing awareness of community issues
 - Increasing awareness of each committee goals/activities
 - Developing an overall 2016 plan for the Board

Potential retreat locations:

- River Bank State Park, Columbia University, City College

Dates/ time frame

- Early November / Saturday/ 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

REPORTS

Teacher’s College Community School

- A plan to co-locate the upper grades of the school has been mentioned by Teacher’s College. Chair Padmore, YEL Chair and SPC Chair met with parents during the summer to hear their concerns. CB 9 pledged their support to the parents in assisting with this issue.

CBA In-Kind Benefits

- Discussions are being held between the WHDC and Columbia regarding the University charging for additional services (i.e. security, tech support etc.) when utilizing university space through In-Kind benefits. As of the meeting date a resolution had not been reported by the WHDC.

I.T. Sub-committee

- A review of some of the goals presented at the 6/15 meeting were discussed:
 - Improve navigation of CB 9 site, including links to external sites

- Twitter / Face book / instagram
 - Ability to pole community residents
 - Analytics to better determine the Board audience
 - Determine boundaries under DOITT
- A suggestion was made to have the I. T. sub-committee meet prior to the main SPC meeting to encourage participation. SPC Chair stated that this appeared to be a good idea and he would discuss this with the Board Chair.

Columbia Employment Information Center (CEIC)

- SPC Chair suggested that the Economic Development Committee follow-up on the report submitted by the CEIC, particularly around the low percentage (10 %) of CB9 residents be served at the center. It was also suggested to invite the staff of the CEIC to a Economic Development Committee meeting as well as a General Board meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.