

## **November 14, 2023 AGENDA**

Meeting Called to Order at 6:35pm

### **Attendees:**

In Person:

*Deirdre McIntosh -Brown*

*Francine Wearing*

*Elisa Yoo*

Virtual:

*Shaneeka Wilson*

*Sharon De La Cruz*

*Lydia Gerson*

### **Community Presentation/Discussions:**

- 1. Classical Theatre of Harlem** - Stacey Scott & Chesray Dolpha  
Summer 2023 ran a FREE intensive course at the Dream Center Ages 8-12 /13-18  
In School classes begin with Positive Affirmations & working with teachers who care  
Currently In Mott Hall
- 2. New York City Urban Debate League-** Amisha Mody Mehta & Sam Brumer  
Largest Urban Debate League in the Country!  
NYCUDL works with 2747 students in 189 schools in NYC! Grades 4<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> – 93 students in  
CB9! Hamilton Grange, CSS MS & CSS HS  
Works with teachers to turn them into coaches (vs sending in their own staff).  
Provides curriculum of debate progress to Teachers/Coaches.  
Teachers Active Listening, public speaking, Teamwork, Note taking, etc.  
\*Asking for Connection with D3, D5 & D6 Superintendent & create a west Harlem program using  
their district model
- 3. Behind the Books-** Andrew Frank (Exec Dir)  
Currently serving several schools(including PS125 & PS368) and 9 libraries  
Behind the Books facilitates 12 programs in PS125 working with teachers. Each program has its  
own facilitator. The program seeks to inspire young people to cultivate their potential through  
literacy programs centered on diverse books and authors. Children see themselves in the books  
they read.
- 4. Tayshana "Chicken" Murphy Foundation (TCMF)** -Taylonn Murphy  
Combined programs serves ages 3-32  
Re-entry programs & Substance abuse program  
Derrick Murphy - substance abuse service 6-12 months - parole and probation  
Omar Thompson - New Harlem Renaissance - Thompson Studios 125

-Majority of programs and events held here including summer program: ages 3-10 - 40 kids // Internships

Free Comedy Shows in Harlem

GOALS: River to River program - initiative to have 125th just full of programs and activities:

TCMF requests support in relocating their offices back to the old CB9 offices on Old Broadway

#### 5. **Generation Citizen** - Christina Karahisarlidis

Teaching youth about the political process // believes all students have the right to civics education that prepares them to participate in our democracy.

A Generation Citizen class models a democracy with a focus on including all student voices in leadership and decision-making. Students center their identity and lived experiences as they explore community issues and actively apply civic knowledge and tools to engage with local civic issues.

Schools in CB9: Uurban Assembly Future Leaders 5 years, Kipp Star & Kipp Infinity and SEED

#### 6. **Thomas Clement Foundation**- Sonia Clement Quick (Founder & CEO)

TCF was created meet the youth where they are and help them in whatever state they are in.

Ages 5-10 , 11-15, young adults up to 30

help young people become productive in their community

worked in domestic violence shelter.

photography

kickboxing - getting energy out

how to respond instead of reacting

teaching a trade

Afterschool Program at Democracy Prep, IS 217,Highbridge Bronx

Offers free haircuts -

colorful kings colorful queens - you are not a blank canvas

TCF is not in CB9 yet....

#### 7. **Police Athletic League, Inc** -Tonya Askins

Summer 2023 opened 5 days a week in order to help reduce violence - teens show up and did not want to leave!

Competitions - Teach Sportsmanship

Cooking classes and Gardening (hydroponics lab with Cornell)

Great relationship with 28th precinct - Police officers often come by for a quick game, or to visit.

Also keep watch on the youth - if someone is getting in trouble outside, the PD will let PAL know to keep an eye on them.

Teen internship - hair stylist hair care and beauty products, Learn hair styling skills with mannequins and teachers.

#### 8. **The Reading Team** – Charon Darris

Grades PK - 5 // 5 days a week Sept - June

Daytime programs for PK4

Afterschool 5 days/week 3pm - 5:30pm grades K-5  
serves 250 kids, sees jump in reading level by at least 2 levels by the end of the year.

**Community Updates:**

George Bruce Library will be closed until Spring 2024

Riverside Hawks – Friday Night lights – FREE drop In program