

# Executive Committee Meeting

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**10 November 2022 / 6:30 PM / ZOOM**

## ATTENDEES

Eutha Prince, Victor Edwards, Joyce Adewumi, Carolyn Thompson, LaQuita Henry, Monique Hardin-Cordero, T. Kovaleff, D. Mcintosh-Brown, H. Jason, Lydia Gerson, J. Sinagub, Lydia Gerson, Patricia Watler Johnson, Shaneeka Wilson, Maritta Dunn, Walter Alexander, Barry Weinberg, Daria Hardeman, Solomon Prophete

## AGENDA

- **Call to Order**
- **Review and Adopt Minutes from the 10/13/22 meeting;**
- **Treasurer's Report [included]**
- **District Manager's Report [included]**
- **Action Item(s)**
- **Committee Minutes & Updates: Please see the attached;**
- **November/December - 2022 Calendar;**
- **Flyers**

## NOTES

- Quorum reached at 6:40 PM. The meeting called to order by B. Weinberg
- S. Wilson and B. Weinberg asked to make amendments to the agenda. The order of the agenda was modified. New agenda was adopted.
- Minutes from 10/13/22 were adopted. Moved by L. Henry and Seconded by W. Alexander
- Presentation by Victor Edwards
  - Breakdown of finances given to WHDC by Columbia via Community Benefits Agreement (CBA)
  - Review ESD Reporting (10/2021 to 9/2022) - items in RED have been completed and the University has claimed that was completed
  - Reinstate programs and opportunities that were previously given to members of the community
  - Re-establish Youth internships

- New Public High School needed in the community
- Use of Columbia Shuttle
- Use of Public Wi-Fi
- Community funding and money should be utilized
- Medical technician training program
- Asked questions of Columbia - may have a meeting with Community affairs and general counsel
- Chair's report (B. Weinberg)
  - Met with Columbia about Red Balloon closure
    - <https://www.ny1.com/nyc/all-boroughs/education/2022/11/02/decades-old-childcare-center-faces-shutdown-from-columbia-university>
  - Fewer people in the workforce due to illness, disability, and cost of childcare
  - No resolution to the daycare issue yet. But at least Columbia and Red Balloon have finally sat down to talk to each other.
  - Trying to fill open positions in District Office by end of the year.
  - Governor asked the NYS Office of Medicaid for funds to go directly to Mental Health needs and resources needed in the community
  - Increased talk of a “tridemic” - Covid, RSV, and Influenza
  - Harlem Lights/CB9 Float on Tuesday November 15th
  - Liz Waytkus has been reappointed to CB9 and is back on HLUZ
- District Manager's Report (E. Prince)
  - CB9 office closed tomorrow for Veteran's Day
  - Great meeting with the President of Grant Houses
  - MBPO - leadership training starts the week of November 14. CB9 members are required to take EOO training.
    - [www.manhattanbp.nyc.gov/communityboards/](http://www.manhattanbp.nyc.gov/communityboards/)
  - Treasurer's report was included in the packet. The position is currently vacant.
- Arts & Culture Committee (D. Hardeman)
  - Victor Edwards presented to the committee re: CBA
  - RKO Task Force Update
  - Visited by 3 grantees

- Economic Development (J. Adewumi / M. Dunn)
  - Members of the committee not attending meetings
  - UMEZ presented about microloans. Most people that benefit are not in our district
  - Yuien Chen came to talk about tax credits for owners
  - Awards ceremony on April 26, looking for a venue
  - Updated the district statement
  - Looked at the Empire State Development report
- Parks & Landmarks (H. Jason)
  - Needs status on Jonathan Thomas
  - Carolina Ramirez is on the committee but has not attended or followed up
  - Dog Run in the process of being repaired. The small dog run is still open.
  - The staircase in St. Nicholas Park needs renovation
  - Bathrooms at 142nd St. playground are still closed. No electricity and lighting available per Con Edison
  - Holiday on the Hudson on December 3rd.
  - Preservation of Harlem Culture at the Ford Foundation
  - Survey for Riverbank State Park due by tomorrow
- Youth Education (S. Wilson & D. McIntosh-Brown)
  - The next meeting is Tue. November 15th
  - <https://sps.columbia.edu/academics/auditing-programs/manhattanville-course-auditing-community-members>
- Uniformed Services (C. Thompson & P. Watler Johnson)
  - DoT proposal to add more rideshare spaces in our district
  - We intended to respond to DOT.
- Senior Committee (W. Alexander)
  - Robert Jackson is no longer part of our district

- Senior Centers at ARC have reopened. Giving out meals but arts and crafts on hold.
- Marty Cummings and Victoria Benitez resigned in October
- Health (L. Henry)
  - Needs update on committee members
  - The last meeting was well attended.
  - A Doula made a presentation about services available in the community
  - Heritage Health made a presentation
  - More community representation needed
- Housing and Land Use (S. Mortensen)
  - Not present
- Cannabis Task Force (M. Harden-Cordero)
  - Miriam and Monique are busy attending meetings in the community
  - Spoke to Tiffany Brown (Mayor Adams Office - Community Affairs)
  - Informed her of the issues that are being seen with the illicit shops
  - Need to work with the office of cannabis management on the upcoming campaign
  - Sherriff's office is supposed to enforce fines
  - Next meeting TBD
- Resolution for 125th Street Elevator (P. Watler Johnson)
  - Ted wrote the resolution. Shared in the packet.
  - D. Hardeman moves for Unanimous consent. S. Wilson seconded. No objections.
  - Adding to the general board meeting agenda
- Letter to DOT Commissioner - Angled Parking on 120th Street (P. Watler Johnson)
  - Ted wrote the resolution. Shared in the packet.
  - On the docket for over a decade. DOT refuses to deal with it.
  - DOT wants to eliminate as many parking spaces as possible

- V. Edwards moves for unanimous consent. D. Hardeman seconded. No objections.
- Adding to the general board meeting agenda
- Letter of Support for Red Balloon (S. Wilson)
  - Draft was written by Deidre and Shaneeka
  - Can CBA money help support the school?
  - CU is concerned about other liabilities not the money
  - M. Hardin-Cordero moves for unanimous consent. T. Kovaleff seconded. No objections.
  - Adding to the general board meeting

## ACTION ITEMS

1. Honeywell, 3604 Bway, NYC 10031 (Liquor License Renewal)
2. DS Morningside Residents, 30 Morningside Drive, NYC 10031 (New Application for Liquor License)
3. Bar 314/A Modo Nostro, 3143 Bway, NYC 10031 (Temp Retail Permit)
4. Shake Shack, 2957 Broadway, NYC 10025 (Corporate Change)
  - T. Kovaleff has moved for unanimous consent. D. Hardeman seconded. No objections.
  - Adding to the general board meeting

## NEW BUSINESS

- Addressing recording bots on Zoom meetings with MBPOs office

## NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA

- TBD

Respectfully submitted by Solomon Prophete