# **Executive Committee Meeting**

**September 10, 2015** 

#### **Community Board 9 Manhattan**

16-18 Old Broadway

New York, New York 10027

The meeting was called to order at 6:45PM.

### Board members present:

Padmore John, Rev. Morgan-Thomas, Brad Taylor, Anthony Fletc Joel Mentor, Feruze Zeko, Joyce Adewumi, Carolyn Thompson, James Archer, Judith Insell, Victor Edwards and Arnold Boatner.

# **Guests:**

Marva Wade, Owner of 33 Hamilton Terrace, Block 2050 Lot 105, New York NY 10031, asked that the board provides her with a letter of recommendation to legalize work done before 1999, when she purchased the property. Ms Wade shared that the building has been issued 2 violations from Landmarks and 6 from the Department of Buildings and she hasn't been able to get them dismisses. A vote took place with 10 members in favor and 1 abstention.

#### Chair's report:

The Chair welcomed everyone back from summer.

- 1. 6th Annual Multicultural festival that took place on May 30, 2015 was a success.
- 2. The NYPD National Night Out took place on August 4, 2015.
- 3. Back to School Event organized by the CB9 had a great turn out.
- 4. Carol Singleton reached out to Alicia Barksdale to help with donations during the fire on 333 Broadway.
- 5. More Board members need to be certified for CERT. The Health Committee should follow up on this.
- 6. Committee members have been assigned.
- 7. Borough President's meetings take place once a month, board members should alternate attending.
- 8. There are two open spots for board members ( Clarence Jackson needs to be removed from the Youth and Education Committee due to non-attendance and Shawn Abreu resigned returning back to school.)
- 9. Waterfront Edge Design Guidelines should be invited to present with ideas for the community.

# Treasurer's report was in the packet.

# The District Managers report is in the packet:

- 1. Back to School event was very successful. Reverend Morgan-Thomas spearhead the event. Book bags, haircuts and screenings were given.
- 2. Ms Ernestine Welch has returned home.

### Committee Reports:

- 1. Uniform Services/Transportation: Issue of accidents around St. Luke's hospital was discussed.
- 2. Youth and Education: Teacher's College 3rd grade students have no standardized tests due to allegations of falsified tests by previous deceased Principal. Nancy Streim will present in October regarding the issue of co-location of grades with another building. Committee is asking for members to provide options so they can be forwarded to DOE. The School at Columbia gave a presentation and issues with transparency of their admission process is apparant.
- 3. <u>Economic Development:</u> A handout of answers was provided from Columbia with questions regarding the Jerome L.Greene Science Center.
- 4. <u>Landmarks & Parks:</u> Upkeep at St. Nick's Park an issue. Time Warner is expanding around Morningside Park and hasn't reached out to CB9.
- 5. Strategic Planning: Disappointing meeting with Appointment Center.

Old business: No outreach to East Harlem Talent Network

New business: Construction on the bridge on 153th street has began.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:33PM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Feruze Zeko

Secretary