## **BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8**

## MINUTES OF THE YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2012 AT THE BOARD OFFICE

**Attendees:** Andrew Cohen, Rita Pochter-Lowe, Robert Press, Georgia Santiago, Nicole Stent, Assemblyman Jeffrey Dinowitz, Randi Martos- office of Assemblyman Dinowitz, Kim Cerbone, Kathy Gilson- Riverdale Community Center, Karen Green, Jerome Harris – Riverdale Neighborhood House, Dolores Lessner

- 1) Sylvia Alexander named Vice Chair of Youth Committee.
- 2) We need to begin work on budget priorities.
- Guest Speaker Assemblyman Jeffrey Dinowitz spoke about youth funding on the state level as well as the prospects for the return of member item money. He further reported that education funding on the state level will increase by 4% and the implementation of a new tax credit for youth employers.
- 4) It was agreed that the Youth Committee would send a letter, to the legislative budget committee overseeing youth funding as well as the Office of Children Services, expressing the importance of funding for Bronx Community Board 8 youth.
- 5) There will be no February Youth Committee meeting.

Submitted by,

Andrew Cohen Chair Youth Committee