

**CHAIR'S REPORT
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
MAY 14, 2009**

Saturday Special Session – April 18, 2009

- Well attended
- CB9 “team norms” developed (attached)

New Committees Recommendations

- Housing, Land Use and Zoning (recombined)
- Budget/Finance Committee
- Columbia Expansion Committee (first meeting to scheduled for September)

Committees of CB9

- Surveys – 32 out of 50 surveys returned
- Assignments are attached for Executive Committee review

Columbia University Expansion

- WHLDC approved Community Benefits Agreement by a vote of 15-2-3
- Vote by Public Authorities Control Board on Columbia Plan currently scheduled for May 20, 2009

Terrence Tolbert Academy

- Renaming of IS 195 to take place Friday, May 15, 2009 (West 134th Street)

CB9 Elections

- Candidates for office must submit Intent to Run Statements and signatures to DM no later than 5:00 PM on May 18th
- Candidates Night scheduled for June 3, 2009 at 8:00 PM at Broadway Housing

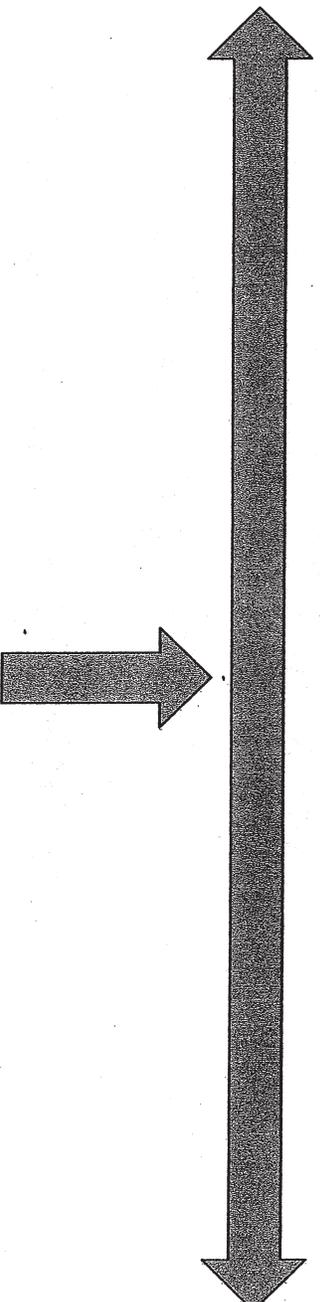
Special Session Outcomes

**NOTES FROM SPECIAL
SESSION HELD ON 4/25/09**

Groups vs. Teams

Groups

Teams



CB9

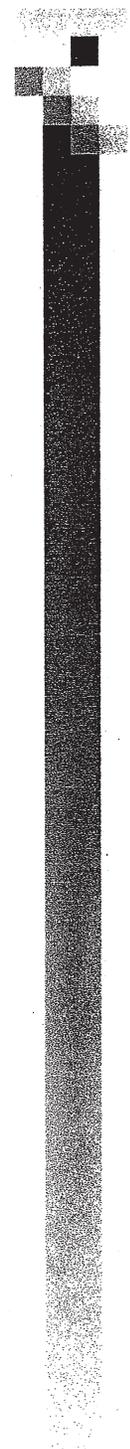
Participants indicated that CB9 falls in the middle between Teams and Groups. Participants agreed that in order to be more effective in the future, they will need to display more Team behaviors rather than Group behaviors.



Brainstorming..... **New Team**

Norms

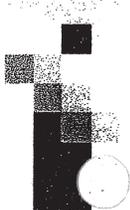
1. **Respect**
2. **Pro-active Communication**
3. **Embracing the Mission**
4. **Know Your Subject Matter**



New Team Norms

Respect means CB 9 members....

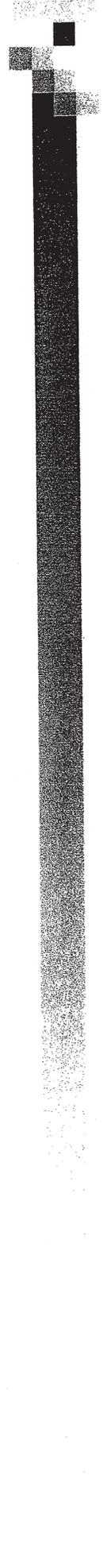
1. can agree to disagree
2. do not judge others based on their opinions or beliefs
3. do not yell, scream or use profanity
4. allow whoever has the "floor" to complete their thought without interruption



New Team Norms

Respect means CB 9 members.....

5. use welcoming not judging language
6. are mindful of others individuality and ethnicity
7. do not use body language to convey their anger or disagreement with others, i.e. rolling of eyes, sucking of teeth



New Team Norms

Respect means CB 9 members....

8. do not draw conclusions about others intentions, they ask or speak up
9. consistently practice respectful behavior in all interactions
10. take out personality from interactions



New Team Norms

Communication means CB 9 members
will...

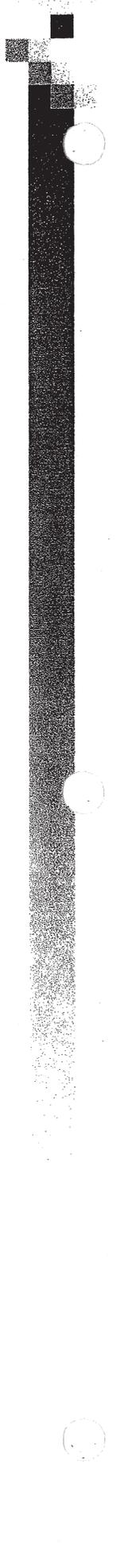
1. practice proactive information sharing across committees
2. say what you mean and mean what you say
3. have more clarity in meeting minutes
4. formulate thoughts before speaking



New Team Norms

Embracing the Mission means CB 9 members will

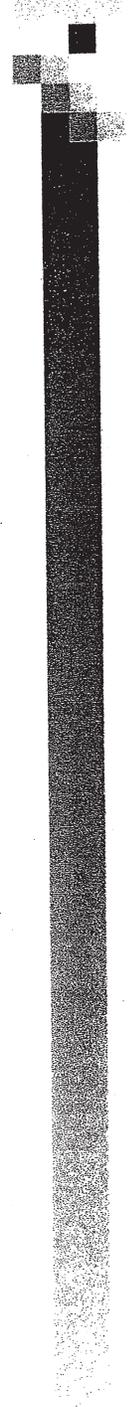
1. put aside personal gain to do what is in the best interest of the community they serve
2. know their role and pro – actively practice the responsibilities associated with it



New Team Norms

Knowing your Subject Matter means CB 9 members will

1. read board packets sent in advance of the meetings – will not take time up in meetings to get an update when information was provided in board packet
2. be familiar with the work other CB 9 committees are doing – so that you can look for opportunities to collaborate



Brainstorming – Process Improvement Areas

- 1. Improve and update website**
- 2. Allow more time at meetings for discussion amongst Board, i.e. maybe change the order of the Board Meeting**
- 3. Enforce 3 minute rule at Board Meeting**
- 4. Establish annual goals**

Brainstorming – Process

Improvement Areas

5. Do more community outreach
6. Find a way to hold politicians accountable to answering questions and concerns at meeting, i.e. follow up letters
7. Equality in access to information
8. Use forums, social gatherings and a variety of other interactions for conducting Board business