

**COMMUNITY BOARD 9M**  
**16-18 Old Broadway**  
**New York City, NY 10027**

**April 2009 General Board Meeting Minutes**

**Date: April 16, 2009**

**Time: 6:30 PM**

**Location: Fortune Society**

As a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order by Chair Pat Jones at 6:50 PM

The roll was taken and 36 were present.

Councilperson R Jackson gave update on issues  
Provided written report and distrib press release  
Stressed that given the environment class size will grow

State Senator E Schneiderman:  
Is Chair pf Codes Comm  
Working on the repeal of the Rockefeller Drug Laws  
Wants all to be able to apply for Stimulus monies

Many: To adopt the agenda UNAM

Diane Wilson [DW]/Many: To adopt the minutes with any subsequent emendations –  
UNAM

**Presentations**

**Linda Saffron: Broadway Malls Assoc**  
Spoke of plan to exhibit work by Carol Eisner on the Malls  
All materials are found and recycled  
In CB 9 area they are planned to be at 114, 137 and 145 Streets in mid mall except for  
137<sup>th</sup>  
Will be put up in F 09 for three months with removal before winter lighting turned on.  
Will present at Parks Comm

**Alexandro Ajedo, Signe Nelson: Plans for relevel of Waterfront and 125<sup>th</sup> River to Bway**  
It is a Streetscape and intermodal project  
Wants as many trees as possible  
Wants to link streetscape with Piers Park  
Have received approval to illuminate the Riverside viaduct and are working on lighting  
the IRT Viaduct

**Josh Herron Committee of School Governance**

Concerned over "who should control our schools."

"Mayoral control was an experiment that did not work, therefore end it."

Referred to Youth and Education Comm

**Reports**

As the meeting was running behind schedule repartees kept remarks to a minimum

**Chair's Report: P Jones**

Written report in packet

Included new membership listing

Provided procedures for election of officers

4/25 from 9-1 at Bway House there will be an orientation boot camp for new members, all should attend

**Treasurers Report: A Fletcher**

Report in the packet

It appears as if there will be a small surplus, we should use this to provide for the coming cutbacks

**DM Report: E Prince**

Provided written report

TK/Many: To accept reports – UNAM

**For the BP: Antionne Pierre**

Highlighted the fliers distrib to the community

**Corey ? For Assemblyperson K Wright**

Will try again to get free tspt for seniors during off hours

Pub Assistance Prog has been raised

SYEP has not been cut

4/30 at 8:30 at Manhattanville Community Center a Program on the Stimulus and Housing.

**Quiani Breaton for Councilperson I Dickins**

Wants uniform procedures for charter schools

Also a full day program for Pre-K

**Tom Linn for Pub Advocate B Gottbaum**

Introduce d self and left flier

**The body then nominated members of the Election Committee** Note that those names with strikeouts declined nomination

W Simkins

~~E Weleh~~

P Lewis

~~A Fletcher~~

T Buckelew

~~T Jackson~~

C Cooper

N Monegro

P Jones charged the group to elect a chairperson, collect petitions, and report back for next month's meeting

### **Public Session:**

#### **Bernadette Jentsch: MTY Services Inc**

297 Bway – 4<sup>th</sup> Floor

With the BP will be conducting an employment clinic at 163 W 125 – 5<sup>th</sup> Fl

Will have programs on every Friday till end of June

*One should schedule appointment*

#### **Acousa Albritton: IPBO's Wellness diabetes clinics**

To close the gap between Hispanic/Blacks with Whites

Will provide free workshops

718 783 5744

#### **Rosemary Murray: NYPL Budget cuts**

Will result in reduction in hours from 52 to 32 per week

This in the face of an increase in usage of 14% [particularly from job seekers using the computer facilities] and those seeking help in job hunting

#### **Josh Ankerberg: West Harlem CSA**

Offers an opoty to purchase organic products from Windflower Farm

If one works with the group prices are cut and they take food stamps

#### **Ann Arlen: Impact of Hydraulic fracturing for Nat Gas Upstate**

Wants a ban on this type of drilling as it may endanger the watershed

Referred to the Health Committee

#### **Tom DeMott**

Spoke on three items

The only legible topic was that Columbia Univ should not get stimulus monies for its W Harlem Expansion Project –

The roll was called and there 38 members present

**Resolutions [For text of resos see appended sheets]**

Supt of the W 125<sup>th</sup> Streetscape Design  
35-1-1

Supt of Heritage Heights Revitalization Initiative  
34-1-3

Opposition to Use of DEP property beneath H Hudson Pkwy for parking  
39-0-0

Consistent standards for H Hudson signage  
39-0-0

Prohibition of Hydraulic Fracturing  
37-0-0-1

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**

W South announced that he would be submitting a reso to request the CB9 delegates to the LDC vote no in ratifying a Benefits agreement if it contains eminent domain

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:15.

Respectfully submitted

***Theodore P Kovaleff***

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