

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

May 2009 General Board Meeting Minutes

Date: May 21, 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 30 were present.

Many: To adopt the agenda UNAM

W South [WS] / D Wilson [DW] Many: To adopt the minutes with any subsequent emendations – UNAM

Elections Committee

The Following presented petitions to run

P Jones: Chair

C Thompson 1st Vice Chair

Y Stennett: 2nd Vice Chair

A Fletcher: Treasurer

D Wilson: Asst Treasurer

T Kovaleff: Secretary

Nominations

B Marshall/D Wilson: J Arrendell for Asst Secretary

S Bailey McClain nominated herself for Second Vice Chair

TK/BM: To accept the report of the Elections Comm – UNAM

Presentations

NY Blood Center

Wants a CB partnership

Many types of blood are slightly different in the Afro American Communities

5% do not fit matches And donations are low in the Afro American and Hispanic Communities

Will be having a Drive at the State Office Bldg

Call 800.933.BLOOD to Sked a donation

Tamara Rowe and S Crawford CD3 Representing the Parent Commission
Want shared decision making with the Mayor—not his control
Wants parents on the Bd of Ed

Reports

Chair's Report: P Jones

Written report in packet

The Chair had left as she was not feeling well. In her place, the 1st Vice Chair C Thompson presided

Drew attention to the Special Session and the notes from that meeting

Drew attention to the new committee structure

E Welsh/TK to accept the new Committee structure

G Morgan Thompson/B Taylor: To table til June mtg so there could be more discussion
19-3-8

Drew attention to the new committee assignments

Copy of the Community Benefits Agreement précis included in handout

Treasurers Report: A Fletcher

Report in the packet

Noted that the DM was helping DW and himself in cutting costs

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

Spoke further of the budget cuts

June 10 at noon at city Hall to protest the cuts

5/30 Piers ribbon cutting

Cutoff for Afro American Cultural Scholarship program

SYEP deadline moved to 5/22

TK was requested to report on the LDC

Noted that the CBA had been approved by a 15-3-2 vote.

TK/Many: To accept reports – UNAM

For the BP: Antionne Pierre

Highlighted the fliers distrib to the community

The office got the citywide DN's together to strategize re the budget cuts

Has law clinics every Friday for constituents

Working on the food quality/safety in neighborhoods To measure healthy v unhealthy

To participate call 212.531.1609

For Councilperson I Dickins: Qiqani Brea

Noted legislative involvements

No smoking outside City Hospitals

A Cosponsor of Intro 995 to protect tenants re screening

A Cosponsor of Intro 1976 to compensate those falsely accused in the Central Park Jogger case

Public Session:

Minutes taken by Asst Secy J Arrendell

Tom Kappner – CPC - update of the Community Benefits Agreement and the process involved.

Traciaya Graves-Robinson – Educator – Founder of Songs for Life and Change, an arts based, service program housed in West Side H.S. on 102nd Street and Amsterdam would like to expand the program throughout NYC.

Katina Williams – Supports parking on Edgecombe Ave. Parking on alternate side is a privilege. Everyone in the community that lives across from Jackie Robinson Park has the option to park on the park side. We should have same options. We wait sometimes 2-3 hours after working 8-12 hour shifts. Not saying we expect a parking spot immediately, but more options are preferred by all drivers.

Sonya Rogers-Simmons – Supports parking on Edgecombe Ave. alternate side double parking. The signs on Edgecombe Ave. from 145th-150th St. have caused a great quality of life issue. Delivery trucks, oil, FedEx, even the seniors Access-A-Ride are unable to pass down the street without horn blowing & confusion. The Farmers Market begins in July and the trucks will not be able to pull over & drop off. This market serves our community for the last 4 years. We also have tree pits that we plant & maintain with the parks Dept. Watering & planting is almost impossible. Please remove the signs back to No Parking.

Stuart Spencer – Supports parking on Edgecombe Ave. Support the new regulations that allow parking on both sides of the street.

Chris Solga & Yoyo – Community Health Fair- On Saturday, May 30th from noon to 4pm. Health Corps will be hosting a free community health fair at George Washington Educational Campus (191 Audubon).

Robert Herrmann– Discussion about Broadway Mall Association – Summary of work of the Broadway Mall Association on the mall on Broadway, with particular reference to work in Community Board 9.

Elizabeth Ewell – Green Keepers- Introducing Green Keepers – A social enterprise business under Goddard Riverside Community Center. Work in Community Board 9 over the past 5 years and serviced.

Margaret McDonald – Concerned with finding a park area for dogs in the CB9 area.

Resolutions [For text of resos see appended sheets]

**Letter for Manhattanville Pharmacy
32-1-3**

**Opposition to Library Cuts
35-0-0-1**

**Perez Place
24-3-8**

**Edgecombe Av parking
Paragraph 3 deleted in a friendly amendment
34-0-4**

**Old Business
None**

**New Business
None**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:55.

Respectfully submitted

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