

Community Board 9MN

16-18 Old Broadway

New York, New York 10027

General Board Meeting

March 21, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 6:45PM. The agenda was adopted and by CT and seconded by WM. There was no Chairs Report; it will be included in the General Board Package next month. A quorum was established. A motion to adopt the minutes was seconded and so moved. We welcomed back our District Manager, Ms. Eutha Prince. Ms. Prince read a statement for the Community Board at the WHLDC meeting earlier this morning. MS. Adewumi was honored at a breakfast earlier this week. The Boys and Girls Club Project is moving ahead with their project. They will continue to meet with the Land Use Committee. The committee chairs should give adequate time when cancelling a meeting. The Chairs of the committees should reach out to the members when a meeting is cancelled. Please check your addresses and e-mails with the office. Please be considerate that the office staff has to deal with 50 members. Please be conscious of that fact. The Environmental Benefits proposals were due March 18. They extended the time limit. There will be another round of workshops for these applications. Twenty applications were received. The budget hearings were attended by some members and we should continue to be heard when the budgets are being prepared. We held the last budget meeting at the Community Board office.

The Treasurers report is included in the package. BM asked for comments concerning the committee needs. She will let us know when the next meeting will be. EP, gave the District Managers report. Columbia University's Community Scholars program is accepting nominations for projects. The deadline is April 18.

Kofi Boteng gave an update on the WHLDC award presentations and the selection process. The next awards will be given in June. Their website lists the next meeting and other information. WS. I think it would be helpful if you list the organizations that received grants. Award grantees will be on the website tomorrow. Ji How often are you going to be releasing reports to the strategic planning committee? How often are you going to be ahead of the game to release the funds in the future? How often will you be meeting with the committee? RGMT The committee will be making that schedule and releasing the information so it is not up to the WHLDC but the committee will inform the Board. Columbia, the ESDC and the monitor are working on protocols. AB raised the question of Electricians and Construction and Columbia. The Board has issues about community minorities working on their construction site. RGMT We have asked for a proprietary report on the companies working with Columbia. The monitor has not issued a report yet. TK has included a summary of the public officials and their presentations.

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The next presenter was Kips Prep Star Charter School. (They were not present) LE informed the Board of Columbia University's obligation to West Harlem under the Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions. He informed us about the contractual agreement and the ESDC's obligation to enforce the agreement or their lack of. He explained the Memorandum of understanding, concerning this agreement. LE urged us to hold ESDC and the City and Columbia accountable for the millions of dollars in contracts and scholarships and jobs in the agreement for our community that as yet are unrealized.

There was discussion concerning St. John The Devine and RGMT made it clear that St. John has been told by our Board that they must come to the table to discuss their proposed development and other related matters. VG state the community board should address safety issues with at River Bank State Park. RGMT stated this matter should be given to the Parks committee for further action. RGMT state that members should be in attendance on time. When a member enters a meeting after ¼ of the meeting is done will be marked absent as per the by-laws.

Action Items: Reso re: St. Agnes Apartments 41 Convent avenue

Passed Unanimous 34 Y 0 No

Enforcement of the Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions

Passed 30 Y 3 Not entitled 0 No 1 Abstain

Letter of Support re: Take Wing and Soar's Harlem Shakespeare Festival

Passed 33 Y 1 Not entitled 0 No

By laws committee asked if you have submission please do it now. Confirmation of the next meeting will be conveyed via e-mail. Votes will be taken at the General Board meeting April 18th.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Carole L. Singleton