

Youth Education & Libraries Committee Meeting
Wednesday April 8, 2008 - 6:30 P.M.
Dorothy Day Broadway Houses
583 Riverside Drive @West 135th Street Corner on Riverside Drive
Co- Chairs Barbara Marshall & Winston Majette

Committee Attendees: Vernon Ballard, Barbara Marshall, Winston Majette,
CB9 Member attendee: Donitra Clemons

1. Call to order
 - a. 6:43pm
2. Adopt agenda
3. Adopt minutes
4. Reports
 - a. DYCD-SYEP Program
 - Contractors: Nilsa Orama - East Harlem Council of Community Employment (expect 400 slots); April Bland - Strive (expect 150 slots)
 - Federal Program – 7 weeks, new stimulus monies have allowed the program to expand to include 14-24 (21 was old age limit).
 - New application has not been released yet because program has been opened to older age range requiring suitable changes to work conditions and requirements for more challenging work; draft copies have been inadvertently circulated
 - \$7.25 up to 25 hours a week, 2.5 hours of educational programming per week
 - Work criteria subject to Workforce Investment Act – homeless, disabled have special categories, also subject to income requirements
 - Explained the process by which agencies become sponsor/ vendors and youth/parents can apply to become workers
 - www.nyc.gov/dycd
 - b. Columbia School Roxie Smith, Vice Provost and Victoria Roxie-Ailey
 - Presented annual report (6th year of school) for K-8 School for Children at Columbia University

- Lottery for 50% unaffiliated students: 2009: 627 applicants for 28 slots. Lottery opens day after labor day for 2010 cycle.
 - Enrollment: 60 students per grade; 54% from north of 110th Street (CB9), 46% from south of 110th (CB7); catchment districts 3 and 5.
 - Application: www.columbia.edu z-z index, s for school.
 - Claxons go off when community v. Columbia ratio hits 60:40
 - Turnover approximately 5%
 - Columbia School for Math Engineering and Science gets some bleed over @ 6th grade.
 - Graduated 2 classes
 - Need blind admission process (\$27,725), financial aid assessment conducted by independent agency 84% received financial aid averaging \$25,309—minimum payment \$250 per year.
 - Outreach: open houses, advertising in local papers, website applications, school open
 - Last year, Appointed oversight council as “Board of Trustees”: does not include admissions or financial aid
 - NYSAIS accreditation 100% unanimous
- c. Gifted and Talented Program
 - d. Mayoral Control of School System
5. UFT- Charter Schools and Upcoming Events – Anthony Harmon
 - a. Harlem School Pride –Parade and Fair;
 - b. Contact Borough President’s office to participate.
 - April 25th @ PS 92:
 - Parade: 126th & 7th Ave to 134th Street beginning at 12:30
 - Fair: PS92 222 W. 134th (btw 7th & 8th) Street- 2-4:30
 - 42 participating schools
 6. Report on Mayoral Control and the Parent Commission by Vernon Ballard
 7. City College – Update
 - a. Juri Job – no new updates
 8. Old Business
 9. New Business