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Education, Culture & Youth Services Committee Meeting Minutes
Monday, November 18, 2019
Community Board 11 Office

PRESENT: Diane Norris, Linda White, Paula Creary, Bernadette Ferrara, John Musto

EXCUSED: Shradhanand Pirtam, Marnie Rodriguez

GUEST(S): None

Meeting was called to order at 7:16 pm.

1. **Yankee Award Memorandum**

- a. Committee members who were present spent the beginning of the meeting reviewing the applications of the candidates who applied. Out of the seven applicants the committee selected the following for the award:
 - i. Sam Carello
 - ii. Cassie Knight
 - iii. Chelsea Kupasammy
 - iv. Ayia Mustafa
 - v. Labonnon Rahman
- b. References
 - i. Some members felt it was important for candidates to put references along with their resume.
 - ii. Next year we'll want to look into having candidates submit a reference letter in addition to the person nominating them for the award.

2. **New Middle School**

- a. Committee member Diane Norris brought up the possibility of a new middle school being created that's being backed by Mark Gjonaj. Location is not definite, but there is a chance this may take away space within the school yard. Committee hopes this is something

3. **P.S. 481**

- a. Committee member Bernadette Ferrara brought up wanting to reach out to CEC 11 president Cheryl Smith in regards to getting in touch with Principal Katiria Rojas of PS 481. Ferrara has been trying to get in touch with Principal Rojas since July of this year to discuss getting community events to happen at the school.

- b. Co-chair committee member Linda White suggested to reach out to Jeremy Warneke to be the facilitator to conduct a conference call between Ferrara and Principle Rojas.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:02pm.

Minutes taken by Paula Creary, formatted by staff.