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EDUCATION & LIBRARIES MEETING MINUTES Thursday, January 5th, 2012 @ 6:30 PM

- I. Meeting commenced at 6:30pm.
 - A. Members in attendance: Bree Brown-Rosa, Committee Chair, Adaline Walker, and John Harris.
 - B. Members excused: Joe Lee, Yvette Page
 - C. Guests: Jane Addison-Amoyaw, Mosholu Library branch managing librarian, Alec Diacou, head of "Yes! The Bronx", Mary-Ann Rosa, Senator Gustavo Rivera liaison, Anthony Perez, and Mayor Bloomberg's liaison.
- II. Discussed Webster Avenue rezoning and what everyone would like to see developed there. Some suggestions were:
 - A. Chain restaurant
 - B. Coffee shop
 - C. Hotel
 - D. Satellite library
 - E. Fresh food market
- III. Adaline suggested Anthony Perez and Jane Addison-Amoyaw coordinate a community survey to be distributed at the library to find out what the community wants for Webster Avenue. Mary-Ann Rosa offered help from Senator Gustavo Rivera's office.
- IV. Introduction of Alec Diacou from "Yes! The Bronx" organization and his presentation for a new charter school, The Rosalyn Yallow Charter School.
 - A. The school will offer a classical education integrated with chess and fencing and will be on a ten hour a day, six day a week schedule.
 - B. The letter of intent to the D.O.E. will be submitted by January 17th, 2012.
- V. Discussed the need for a beginner and intermediate level ESL program at the Mosholu Library branch.
 - A. <u>Action</u> a letter will be sent to the New York Public Library and New York Cares, a volunteer organization, to recruit volunteers to help expand the ESL program.
- VI. Meeting adjourned