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YOUTH SERVICES / PUBLIC SAFETY & QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES Friday, May, 17th 2013 @ 6:30 PM

- I. Introduction of guest and committee members
- II. Tracer Methodology:
 - A. The topic of Bullying and Youth Violence from many participants in the meeting has led to having a more in-depth discussion and public forum to address the need for Non Violence especially in our school system.
 - B. The Professor from Columbia University defined Bullying as anything physical, mental or social that imposes itself on a person in a negative way.
 - C. Tayahana 11 year old rapper expressed the need for more equality towards the youth and to listen to what they are saying.
 - D. District Attorney's Ms. Calderon and Mr. Spencer identified the consequences and adverse effects Bullying has on the community and family as a whole.
 - E. Principle Emmanuel Polanco related to the victims of Bullying and the need for teachers/educators to be trained in Anti-Bullying.
- III. Stop and Frisk:

The laws regarding Stop and Frisk continue to be monitored and case studies evaluated for improvement. It is uncertain whether U.S. District Judge Shira Scheindlin will declare stop-and-frisk unconstitutional -- and whether she will impose changes on NYPD procedures -- were questions that lingered over the closing arguments in her Manhattan courtroom. Civil rights attorneys led by the non-profit Center for Constitutional Rights are suing the city on behalf of black and Latino residents.
- IV. NYPD:
 - A. Block Watch Program continues to be explored to strengthen Police and Community relationships
 - B. Community representative have proposed to use mobile units to help with the Block Watch initiative
 - C. The Brothers Uniform supply store has NYPD Plaques and a letter of Commendation will be presented to Officers for their outstanding service in our community.
- V. "Tony Tone of the World Famous Cold Crush Brothers will be the DJ at the Father's Day event "HIP HOP against Gun Violence"
 - A. The rebirth of positive conscious rap coming from the Bronx community and the need for a movement to call for "HIP HOP against Gun Violence" identifying the need for safety changes in the Music Industry



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- B. Al Pizarro President of the International Hip HOP Parade committed to present to CB7 the route of the parade and request the support needed for the parade. The International Hip Hop Parade is to be held in the Bronx which the Bronx is identified as the Birthplace of HIP Hop and Borough of Creativity. The HIP HOP Parade is designed role model positive self-images and come back into the Bronx community to do positive things contributing to improving the quality of life
- VI. Public Hearing Planning:
- A. Continue to plan for a Public Hearing on the preparedness for a disaster "Natural or Not"
- B. What to do during a Hurricane; Post Sandy CERT, FEMA and other agencies are able to receive government funding and grants to for cleanup projects
- VII. Street Renaming:
- A. Public "Street Re-Naming" on Fordham Rd in District 7 at Bainbridge Avenue. Planning to honor Carmen Lozada Ahmed ("TI TI"), who resided in our District and worked for 19 years at St. Barnabas Hospital helping the undocumented and unrepresented people of the Bronx to receive health care
- VIII. Father's Day Event:
- A. The anticipated event for Father's Day is June 16th, 2013
- B. Teaming up with Columbia University Professor Chris Emdin, Ph. D. to support our community with the idea of using HIP HOP's scientific and therapeutic formulas as resolutions to the problems that surround our Youth. There will be a contest to all Public Schools in our District. The contest will be to recite the Periodic Table of Elements
- IX. WESDA:
- A. Committed to be part of the next Panel for Anti-Bullying and Youth Non Violence Forum and identified the need for Youth Empowerment to foster change in the community
- X. Chaplains Workers Federation:
- A. Chief Chaplain Reverend Carlos Baez will be the keynote speaker for the next Anti-Bullying Youth Forum held at MS 80 on 6/14/13. In light of the increase in suicide attempts and deaths the clergy and other organizations have joined to address the need to be compassionate, forgiving and instill respect for all in wake of the 12 year old from Queens who committed suicide and the recent attempt suicide by Michael Jackson's daughter.

The Public Safety Committee would like to thank all attendees and the press for their concerns in the community