BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD 6 YOUTH/HUMAN SERVICES/EDUCATION COMMITTEE APRIL 24, 2013

PRESENT:		
D. ABRAHAM	P. BELLENBAUM	J. BERNARD
E. CAUSIL-RODRIGUEZ	R. CERVONE	E. FELDER
M. KOLMAN	C. RYAN	M. SCOTT
B. SOLOTAIRE	S. TURET	
EXCUSED:		
L. HILL	D. SCOTTO	R. UNDERWOOD
ABSENT:		
A. DAVILA	E. ECHEVARRIA	M. RUIZ
GUESTS:		
R. DEL CUADRO	A. ZIMMERMAN	L. ALBRECHT

MINUTES

Discussion with representatives for our area's public elementary schools on school-based needs.

PUBLIC SCHOOL 15 – RED HOOK

- Severe Hurricane Sandy damage (25 feet of water).
- Department of Education facilities did a great job.
- Unsure if FEMA or DOE will handle basement restoration (out/closed for 2 weeks).
- Lost all basement storage area.
- Needed capital funding for air conditioning for several rooms (auditorium, etc.).
- Hazard for students with asthma.
- City Council Member, Sara Gonzalez and State Assembly Member, Felix Ortiz are working with them to secure funding.
- Applied for funding this year but waiting for word.
- Population of 390 students with large population of students with special needs.
- Dental, health clinic, mental health services makes a huge impact for students.
- Issues with transportation landlocked but have met with many groups (MTA, Parks Department) to look at various transportation options.
- Core Curriculum challenge to determine resources for schools to utilize (due to DOE working out specifics with new stndards).
- Applied for Magnet Grant to increase enrollment room for more students.
- Concern about Charter Schools moving into areas What is the process for moving in?
- PS 15 top 3 or 4 schools in the district.
- Heating system damaged lost furniture and books during the storm.

 \underline{Ask} - is to get air conditioning installed into the 3 main spaces. Felix Ortiz's office working on it but still not sure of the process.

NYSERDA – might check in to see if there is a green solution for the cooling system.

<u>Ask</u> – Record room was destroyed and need shelving to store records.

<u>Ask</u> – Transportation options for students in Red Hook (can't do city bus to subway) MTA rejected request to get coding for city bus use.

LEE CHURCH – PS282, Jessica Collins – Community Coordinator, Kathleen Larkins – Parent Coordinator.

- E-MAIL sent from Magalie Alexis to CB6 with concerns.
- Pre-K to $8^{th} 1100$ students in District 13.
- Take trips theater camp, camping trips often times funded through principal's own pocket.
- School is close to capacity.
- Core curriculum students have the biggest adjustment especially preparing for a big exam. We test them a lot.
- No longer a Title 1 school at this moment.
- ASK within Park Slope but doesn't fall in District 15 represent well but there needs to be more of a relationship with community want to feel like they belong to Park Slope.
- Invite to CB[^] members to come to staff/teacher basketball game this Friday at 6:00pm.
- Kitchen issue no hot water unless boiler and heat come on (not good during the summer).
- Lee Church or other representatives will come to CB6 meetings.
- Students aren't neighborhood kids and the neighborhood regards them as such.
- Most students are from Bed-Stuy, Crown Heights.

The minutes of the last meeting held on February 27, 2013 were approved.

JOB FAIR UPDATE

Craig Hammerman sent e-mail about Career Fair:

- May 23 from 4-6:30pm
- Looking for professionals to come and talk about their jobs.
- We offered to co-sponsor the event.
- Looking for raffle items
- Location of the fair 199 14th Street between 4th and 5th Avenues.

TOPICS FOR MAY MEETING

- Ask other principals
- District 15 Superintendent Anita
- Core curriculum update
- Reach out to District 13

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned.