

Brooklyn Community Board 9
890 Nostrand Avenue
Brooklyn, New York 11225

Economic Development Committee Meeting Minutes
June 11, 2025

Attendance (Board Members): Vanessa Raptopoulos, Committee Chair; Jolee Cobb; Lisa Etienne; Volney Joseph

Attendance (Community Resident Members): Shalisha Johnson

Absent (Board Members): Volney Joseph

Absent (Community Resident Members): Anthony Gay; Louisa Higgins; Wendy Thompson

Guests: None

CB9 Staff: Khalid J. Jemmott, Community Associate

1. Call to Order
 - a. Meeting was called to order at 7:12pm
2. Approved May minutes
3. Community Fair Plan
 - a. Due to the change in date and the late June new date many of our committee members will not be able to be present. We decided that Shalisha and Jolee will go by the fair and report back.
 - b. We would like the office to please bring a business owner sign in sheet for people we can add to our list of contacts for events. We were also hoping to have a stack of our flyers that show the QR code for the Business Directory.
4. Business Directory work for over the summer and next year.
 - a. We are hoping that interns at the office will be able to assist us in finishing some of the missing information in the Business Directory.
 - i. We still need to complete a list for these avenues: Albany, Rogers, Franklin and Troy.
 - ii. If there are any interns that are creative, we would also love a more creative image for the landing page to make it look a little less "govt"
5. Ideas for Fall and next year.
 - a. We need more ways to push the business directory
 - i. We want to do more events

1. Early Fall - late October another mixer but maybe with more direction / a "thing to do" like speed dating. Definitely need a greeter and someone to check people in at the event.
2. Early spring - Scavenger Hunt. We need to work towards this and find some partners.

6. Adjournment

- a. Meeting adjourned 7:42pm