

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

Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Committee Meeting Minutes
January 15, 2024

Attendance (Board Members): Khurshid Abdul-Mutakabbir (Vice Chair); Denzel Oduro (Secretary); Courtenay Loiselle; Lillian Swain

Attendance (Community Residents): David Romeo

Absent (Board Members): Nicolas Almonor, Committee Chair – (Appeared online)

Absent (Community Resident Members): Brenda Pagan

Guests: N/A

Agency Representatives: None

CB9 Staff: Khalid J. Jemmott, Community Associate

I. Call to Order

- Khurshid Abdul-Mustakabbir Committee Co-Chair called the committee meeting to order at 7:24 PM

II. Parks and Cultural Institutions Liaison Assignments

- Courtenay Loiselle: The next meeting for the Prospect Park Alliance is next week
- Brooklyn museum liaison can no longer attend meetings; committee to find a replacement
- Lillian Swain: The BRCC presentation was rescheduled from December 2024 to February 2025 due to the cancellation of the December 2024 meeting.

III. Roll Call

- Conducted by Denzel Oduro

IV. Minutes

- No meeting in December, not enough quorum to approve November's minutes

V. Public Comment:

- N/A

VI. Recruitment and appointment of new Community Resident members

- The committee is looking for new dedicated members who can attend committee meetings.
- Members are encouraged to invite people who are interested in working in this space to attend meetings
- Applications for Board Members for 2025 are active

VII. Biennial Conference updates and planning

- Upcoming meeting with community board 17 to plan biennial parks and recreation community conference.
- There will be additional meeting times for the sub-committee to help plan the conference
- The idea has been submitted to the Borough President's office, which has expressed interest.
- People interested in sub-committee to see Denzel to sign up

VIII. Calendar of activities setting and development for this fiscal year

- Denzel Oduro is working on a project that increases visibility engagement between live music venues in community 9 and community members.
- Patrick Steakhouse at 227 Rogers was suggested by Lillian Swain as an example of a live music venue in the community that could benefit from visibility and engagement.

IX. Resolutions & Voting Items

- The sports facilities assessment project is seeking the support of the community board at large in accessing the Department of Education's inventory of indoor and outdoor sports spaces. This will improve the utilization of sports facilities by community sports groups.
- Khurshid Abdul-Mutakabbir will attend the executive board meeting on January 21, 2024, to add the sports facilities assessment project to the agenda for the next board meeting.
- If there is a quorum at the next board meeting, a vote will be passed on this project.

X. Old Business

- N/A

XI. New Business

- Live music venue project begins with Denzel Oduro conducting outreach

XII. Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn moved and seconded. The meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm

Minutes Submitted by: Denzel Oduro

Minutes Reviewed and Approved by: Nicolas Almonor Member-at-Large - Chair of CB9 Parks, Recreation, and Culture Committee