

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

Youth & Education Committee Meeting
September 9, 2025

Attendance: (**Board Members**): Soul Creary; Letwin Mavima

Attendance: (**Resident Members**) Brian Allaway; Ainslie Binder; T. Billi Martin

Absent: (**Board Members**) Dawn Welters-Dumpson

Absent: (**Resident Members**) John Beckles Jr.; Demetria Farrow; Yvonne Lowe; Cynthia Rose

Guests: Felice Robertson

CB9 Staff: Mia N. Hilton, Assistant District Manager

1. Call to Order
2. Introduction
3. Notetaker
 - a. Shania Smith, Soul2Soulz Intern
4. Youth committee 16-21yrs old
 - a. Conducts district wide youth services
 - b. Filling in gaps within young people
5. Education committee K-12 graders focus
 - a. Advocating for educational needs for the district
6. Last year's major events and what we plan to continue this year:
 - a. Job and Internship fair - for youth and young adults where vendors come in for connections and job positions, interviewing, resume creation etc. spring 2025 last year
 - b. 2025-2026 New Goals: Ideal date: February 2026 make it earlier as the SYEP applications have been moved up yearly
 - c. Educators Town Hall Panel discussion
 - d. Last year Spring 2025
 - e. (Ideal date: April/early May 2026)
 - f. New Goals: Involve the youth in the discussion and the chancellor
 - i. Get News12 to show up and record
 - ii. Get schools to give kids credit for showing up
7. Holiday family potluck and politician meet and greet (Ideal date December2026)
 - a. Feed the community- Initiated by Soul2Soulz, feeds approximately 230 people partners with CB9 and The Campaign Against Hunger to provide food for the community

8. We would like to continue providing the aforementioned events this year, however we will focus on how to get people to show up for better turnout
 - a. Help of interns - calling schools
 - b. Better time management and planning – start earlier with planning and commit to a planned date
 - c. Spreading the word, phone calls, networking
 - i. Additional ideas:
 1. Merge family fun day and feed the community on Juneteenth two events on the same day
 2. Possible locations: Outdoor Park, Medgar Evers College, Jackie Robinson
 - d. Next steps
 - i. Put out save the dates early
 - ii. Begin to call schools for space availability
9. Adjournment