

BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD 9
890 Nostrand Avenue
Brooklyn, New York 11225

Parks, Recreation & Culture Committee Meeting Minutes
February 12, 2026

Attendance (Board Members): Nicolas Almonor; Abigail Timm

Absent (Board Members): Denzel Oduro

Attendance (Resident Members): Courtenay Loisel; Lillian Swain

Absent (Resident Members): Brenda Pagan; Yoni Ronn; David Romeo; Gloria Briggs; Shomari Ramsay; McAlexander; Dave Walters

Guests: Hayley Gorenberg, Friends of Mount Prospect Park; Deborah Kirschner, Prospect Park Alliance; Tameka Johnson, Journalism student; T. Billi Martin

CB9 Staff: Mia N. Hilton, Assistant District Manager

1. Call to Order

- Abigail Timm called the meeting to order at 7:17 PM.

2. Roll Call / Attendance

3. Approval of Previous Minutes

- No quorum was present; therefore, the minutes from the previous meeting could not be formally approved.

4. Welcome, Greetings, and Introductions

- Committee members and guests introduced themselves.

5. Presentation by Prospect Park Alliance

- Lakeshore renovation: \$20 million city capital investment to address flooding, stormwater management, and algae remediation.
- Repairs to restrooms at the Carousel.
- Parkside Avenue redesign and improvements.
- Shirley Chisholm area improvements are scheduled to begin next spring.
- Improvements to five nature trails.
- Installation of new barbecue grills.

- Pinkster Day celebration at the Lefferts House and restoration work for the building.
- Second-shift cleanup initiative sponsored by the Mayor's Office.
- Health and Wellness Mobile Clinic in partnership with Presbyterian Hospital.

6. Public Commentary

- No public comments were received.

7. Parks and Cultural Institutions Liaison Reports

- BRIC presentation scheduled for the General Board meeting.
- Coach Shomari collaborating with NYCFC to unite Community Boards through sports.
- Planning inter-community board sports tournaments.
- Major Owens Health and Wellness Community Center: working with the developer to address community needs and access.

8. Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Planning

- Scheduling visits and presentations from cultural institutions and the Parks Department.
- Biennial Conference Resolution: No quorum; item will be sent to the Executive Committee for consideration.
- Traffic Islands and Tree Guards Planting and Maintenance Project: selection of project leader pending.
- Interfaith Luncheon planning.
- Music and Art Summit planning.
- Sports Summit and Historical Markers Project planning.
- Community Resource Fair planning.

9. Resolutions

- Friends of Mount Prospect Park Request to NYC Comptroller:

- No quorum: resolution will be sent to the Executive Committee for consideration.
- CB9 Support for Soccer Fest:
 - Tabled until next month.

10. Old Business

- No items discussed.

11. New Business

- No items discussed.

12. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned by Abigail Timm.

Minutes submitted by: Abigail Timm

Minutes approved by: Chair, Nicolas Almonor