

Motions to be presented at the January 10, 2017 Board meeting

**YOUTH MOTIONS TABLED FROM DECEMBER 2016 BOARD MEETING
AND NEW MOTION**

**LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR TRULY ORGANIC PROJECT ON CLEVELAND
STREET (Block 51 lot 1)**

**COMMUNITY BOARD #1 ADOPT THE YOUTH STATEN ISLAND NORTH
SHORE YOUTH AGENDA**

**NEW MOTION FROM THE JANUARY 3, 2017 YOUTH COMMITTEE
MEETING**

**LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE SOCCER INITIATIVES PROPOSED BY THE
MAYRO'S FUND WHICH WAS PRESENTED AT THE JANUARY 3, 2017
YOUTH COMMITTEE.**

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 AGENDA TUESDAY – JANUARY 10, 2017–7:30 P.M.
ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 2329 VICTORY BLVD.

SESSION OPENING

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Call to Order
- Roll Call Attendance
- Acceptance of Minutes
- Public Session

Kheaton Scott, Big Brothers and Big Sisters NYC will give a brief presentation.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

- First Vice-Chairman, Anthony Cosentino
- Second Vice-Chairman, Christopher Rooney
- Third Vice-Chairman, Friday Ogbewe
- Treasurer, Larry Beslow
- Secretary, Anjail Ameen Rice
- Chairman, Nicholas Siclari
- District Manager, Joseph Carroll

FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Land Use, Vincent Accornero
- Budget & Finance, Anthony Cosentino
- Transportation, Nicholas Zvegintzov
- Health/Human Services, Catherine Paradiso
- Waterfront, Loretta Cauldwell
- Public Services, Sunny Jain
- Youth Services, Kelly Vilar
- Rules & Legislative Affairs, Christopher Bradford Greene

AD HOC COMMITTEE

- Labor, Jeffrey Mohlenbrok
- Parks & Recreation, Megan Delmar
- Civic – Victoria Gillen
- Cultural Affairs, Pearl Minsky

AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Mariners Harbor/Port Richmond
- Clifton/Concord/Stapleton, Larry Beslow
- West Brighton/St. George, Vickie Fossella/Jeffrey Mohlenbrok
- Silver Lake/Sunnyside/Westerleigh/Willowbrook, Camille Zarrelli/Timothy Forsyth
- Rosebank/Ft. Wadsworth, John Guzzo

Old Business
New Business
Adjournment

If you are unable to attend the meeting please call or e-mail Anjail Ameen-Rice or the Board Office **prior** to the meeting 1-718-981-6900 lcrosby@cb.nyc.gov.

COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 1
TREASURER'S REPORT – FY'17

January 2017

<u>CODE</u>	<u>ALLOCATED TO 06/30/16</u>	<u>USED TO DATE</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
100 – Supplies	\$ 1,595.00	\$ 1,210.93	\$ 384.07
101 - Printing Expense	200.00	0	200.00
110 - Food & Forage	1,150.00	1,045.00	105.00
117 Postage	200.00	0	200.00
199 - Data Processing Supplies	450.00	0	450.00
314 - Office Furniture	10,140.00	8,340.30	1,799.70
315 - Office Equipment	250.00	145.80	104.20
332 Data Processing Equipment	294.00	0	294.00
337 - Books/Subscriptions	100.00	89.95	10.05
400 - Contractual Services	2,000.00*	800.00*	1,200.00
40B – Communication	3,013.00*	0*	3,013.00
403 – Office Services	150.00	56.56	93.44
412 - Equipment Rental	3,470.00*	646.68*	2,823.32
451 – Carfare	1,800.00	1,180.60	619.40
700 - Chase Imprest Fund A/C	700.00	0	700.00
622 – Contractor	5,000.00	1,120.00	3,880.00
TOTAL:	\$30,512.00	\$ 14,635.82	\$ 15,876.18

Please Note: Each Code is transferable to other codes as long as the total allocation is

Larry Beslow, CB1 Treasurer

*Encumbered for FY'17 Contracts

Staten Island Community Board 1

Transportation Committee

Chair: Nicholas Zvegintzov

Report of January 10, 2017

1. Future meetings

2017's 'regular' Transportation Committee meetings will be 7:30, 3rd Tuesday.

2. Meeting in January

No 'regular' Transportation Committee meeting in January.

Transportation Committee will join the Clifton / Concord / Stapleton Area Committee, 7:30 Thursday, January 19, 2017, Central Family Life Center, 59 Wright St., to hear the NYC DOT's "Van Duzer Street Corridor Transportation Improvements".

3. Victory Blvd. and Clove Rd. - NYC DOT acquiring strip

Will widen Victory Blvd on east side for turn lanes.
Condemnation January 19, 2017.

4. Ferry regularizing lower level boarding for disabled, both terminals

Revising rules to authorize this (already taking place). Rules hearing February 8, 2017.

Larger project of lower level boarding still in process.

5. Problems boarding S40/S44 buses to Ferry on Richmond Terrace

Citizens report buses passing up passengers. MTA monitoring. Similar to situation handled last year with S74 buses on Van Duzer.

Some reports of MTA giving out tickets for rear door boarding under crowded conditions, making situation worse.

(See next item about MTA bus tickets.)

6. Last but not least... Citizen beats the MTA

Not primarily about CB1, but interesting nevertheless. I just won an appeal against the MTA on a fare-beating ticket!

On February 18, 2014 I boarded the S44 on Richmond Terrace and the bus's farebox rejected my Senior Metrocard, twice. Not uncommon. The bus driver made no sign yea or nay - it turned out there was a reason for that, because at the ferry terminal I was given a ticket by two plain clothes inspectors.

When I got off the ferry I used the card and it was fine.

I went to a hearing. The hearing officer ascertained that my card was valid and had money on it, and in fact I had paid for the ride at Bowling Green. But I lost and was fined.

I went to an appeal hearing, and lost again.

Then the Legal Aid Society took my case and we appealed through the courts. We lost again.

Then we appealed to the Appellate Court.

I went to that hearing before four judges, two of them from Brooklyn. They commented on the size of the fine (\$60) - "That is, let's see, 40 rides for the appellant" - and asking the MTA whether it was REALLY their opinion that a 74-year-old man who boards a bus in February and the farebox doesn't work, and it is subsequently proved that there is nothing wrong with his card and that it has money on it - is REALLY guilty of fare-beating? "Yes, your honor." "No further questions!"

We won. "Under the unique facts and circumstances of this particular case" I was not guilty.

The lawyer is unhappy that the Appeals judges did not say under *what* circumstances, but I believe it establishes an important principle: The fact that your Metrocard doesn't work does not in itself mean you are a fare-beater.

Nicholas Zvegintzov, Chair

Cultural Affairs Committee Meeting Minutes
January 4, 2017 11:30am

In attendance: Cultural Affairs Chair Pearl Minsky, Kelly Vilar

Discussion on cultural arts on the north shore and its impact on the future of youth.

Discussed the need for more arts education in schools and particularly theater arts and the use of this type of education in rehabilitation, prevention and remedial work.

The discussion led to the following the committee will work on:

The search for opportunities that create permanent markers throughout the north shore depicting important figures in local history, grassroots activism, music, art, human experience that contributed to the community pride, well being, and/or quality of life of community board no. 1 area. This could be in the form of art, signage or naming opportunities.

The search for more hands on theater opportunities for youth (particularly teens) as a delinquency prevention strategy. Use of drama and theater technologies to help with a multitude of personal development issues and skill building.... ie. working on a team, learning to be a leader, writing, reading, comprehension, and a myriad of other life skills.

We are scheduling a meeting in February at the Community Board office. Exact date and time to be confirmed.

Minutes of the CB #1 Youth Committee meeting

held Tuesday, January 3, 2017 at Brighton Heights Reformed Church 320 St. Marks Place at 7pm

Members in attendance: Kelly Vilar, Ernest Paige, Daniel William, Neil Berry, Donna Mazzella, Susan Master, Tammy Greer Brown, Fern Metcalf, Kristin Druda, Meggin Juraska, Troy McGhie-liaison for Councilmember Rose, Excused: Celeste Bute Holmes, Rebecca Samuels, Kathy Vidal, Guests: Irfan Ahmed-Mayor's Fund, Cesaryna Pena-Mayor's Fund, Alex Bard-US Soccer Fdn, Sarah Barrett-WNYC Radio, Grace Loiacono-NYPL St. George Branch, Guillermo Grau-UAU, Cecilia Chau-PS 44, Rob Valinoti-community resident

- Ms. Kelly Vilar delivered opening remarks welcoming the attendees. A review of the evenings agenda followed. Attendees introduced themselves.
- A motion to accept the December 6, 2016 minutes was made by Mr. Daniel Williams and seconded by Ms. Kristen Druda. Minutes were unanimously accepted.
- Kelly briefly revisited last monthly presentation by the Truly Organic Community Garden Project. They are seeking a letter of support from Community Board 1. She introduced a motion to the full board at their December 2016 meeting where it was tabled amidst mounting questions. Kelly also introduced another motion seeking full board support of the latest Staten Island North Shore Youth Agenda for fiscal year 2018. This motion was also tabled amidst a flurry of procedural question despite no such question last cycle when a similar motion was approved without fanfare.
- Rebuild Cromwell kicked off its letter writing campaign for 2017. This is an effort to remind local elected officials and stakeholders of the need to replace Cromwell and the deeply personal significant/community impact the old Cromwell Center had. Kelly also mention that St. John's University is seeking to partner with the Rebuild Cromwell effort by providing interns to document the movement. SYEP and college interns will also be sought for a summer project to document the movement.
- A NYC Soccer Initiative briefing followed presented by Mr. Irfan Ahmed and Ms. Toya Williford of the not-for-profit Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City, along with Mr. Alex Bard of the not-for-profit U. S. Soccer Foundation. The initiative is a first of its kind public-private partnership that will build and maintain 50 acrylic mini-soccer play spaces in underserved neighborhoods across the five boroughs over the next five years.

The initiative is funded by the founding partners being the Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City, U. S. Soccer Foundation, New York City Football Club (NYCFC) and Adidas. Additionally, the NYCFC will establish a maintenance fund by either raising or contributing an additional \$600,000 dedicated to field repairs.

This initiative would not be feasible without its agency partners who are the New York City Department of Parks, The New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA), and the New York City Department of Education (DOE). The initiative is still looking for agencies with jurisdiction over land to partner with.

“Soccer for Success” is a primary program within the initiative. It’s a free after school soccer program developed by the U. S. Soccer Foundation that helps kids establish healthy habits and develop critical life skills. The program provides kids with a full uniform including shin guards and a ball. The target population are underserved youth from K-12.

The first location targeted in Staten Island is the co-located Berta A. Dreyfus (I. S. 49)/Eagle Academy for Young Men of Staten Island campus. The initiative already reached out to both school leaders and secured their support. This initiative closely aligns with the schoolyards to playgrounds initiative.

It will take 3-6 weeks to install a “pitch” (soccer term for field). Installation is planned for Spring – Summer 2017, with programming running from Fall 2017 through Spring 2018. The initiative is looking for other sites on Staten Island. Sites can be attached to NYC Parks and DOE, but no privately owned land.

- A motion to seek a letter of support from Community Board 1, for the NYC Soccer Initiative was made by Mr. Daniel Williams and seconded by Ms. Fern Metcalf. The vote was unanimously in favor of the motion.
- Meeting was adjourned.