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## **Education Youth and Libraries**

Tuesday, March 19, 2019 – 6:30PM  
Hon. Deborah Yates - Chair

### **MINUTES**

**Committee Members in Attendance:** Deborah Yates, Jennifer Prince, Marquis Harrison, Jamilah Clark, Crystal McKay, Donna Gill

**Committee Members not in Attendance: Excused:** Dominique Mejia Tuesday Brooks, Tamara Martin **Absent:** Joshua Clennon, Leevert Holmes, Mari-Moss, Troy Gethers, Daniel Clark

### **Guests:**

Jaeho Lee – Big Brothers Big Sisters  
Anisha Huffman – New York Public Library  
Keisha Sutton James – Columbia Scholars Program  
Phoebe-Sade Aindd – Columbia Scholars Program  
K. Samuels – FOMBBL  
Lucile Middleton – Youth on the Move in the Community

### **Presentations**

#### **Columbia Community Scholars Program, Phoebe-Sade Arnold Project Coordinator Planning and Community Affairs**

The Community Scholars Program offers independent community based scholars from Northern Manhattan access to a suite of Columbia University services and resources in order to work toward the completion of a particular project or to attain a skill in a particular area. Accepted Scholars have a term of three years. Scholars have access to the university's libraries, course auditing privileges and the ability to participate in seminars and social events. Eligible participants must live north of 96<sup>th</sup> street and have a high school diploma or GED. The program does not offer course credit, a degree or a certification. Application deadline is April 25<sup>th</sup> 2019. For more information please contact at 212-854-4844 or [communityaffairs@columbia.edu](mailto:communityaffairs@columbia.edu)

#### **Harlem Academy – Jennifer Prince**

Committee member Jennifer Prince made a presentation regarding Harlem Academy. She informed the committee that the school is in the process of accepting applications. Tuition is on a sliding scale. Grades one through 8, a total of 125 students are enrolled. Contact Jennifer Prince at the email below for further information about your child attending the school. [jprince@harlemacademy.org](mailto:jprince@harlemacademy.org).

## **Discussion**

### **School Safety on 135th Street**

The Chair attended a meeting with education stakeholders from the Harlem Community on Monday March 18<sup>th</sup>. The topic of discussion was school dismissals at the neighboring schools on West 135<sup>th</sup> street. Recently there have been instances of rowdiness where the police have been involved. One incident involved a police officer inappropriately roughing up a student. Discussed how to move forward to keep the children and community safe.

### **Resource Fair, Saturday , tentative date, May 25<sup>th</sup>**

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Celebrating High School Seniors Event Date TBD**

### **Letter of Support**

Minisink Charter School – The committee reviewed the letter the Chair, Deborah Yates, presented and suggested some changes. The letter will be presented to the Executive Committee on March 27<sup>th</sup>.

### **Announcements**

**Harlem Childrens Zone** – Community Pride Program helps Harlem residents apply for jobs, trainings and certifications programs. The connect participants to services including educational and after school programs, legal advice and public assistance. Contact [communitypride@hcz.org](mailto:communitypride@hcz.org) or 212-932-1920 for further information.

**District Five Superintendent Rux** has informed the Chair that she will be sending a representative from her office to our Education meeting to give an update on what's going on in her office. The committee will be able to voice any concerns we may have and have a direct contact to the Superintendent.

### **Let The Youth Speak**

This event has been postponed.

### **Macomb's Bridge Library**

Construction is beginning and should be completed in the summer of 2019.

**Next Committee Meeting Date will be April 16th held at the Community Board Harlem Office located at 215 West 125 Street on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor at 6:30pm.**

*Minutes Prepared by: Deborah Yates*