



Chairman Mohammed Mujumder - District Manager William Rivera

Youth & Education Committee Meeting Summary

June 13, 2024

Board Members Present: Lashei Deoleo, Janelle Harper, Wajied Hakim

I. Introduction

- A. Committee Description:** The youth & education committee represents the community's interests with regards to education and programs that target the youth and acts as a liaison between community members and the NYC Department of Education including Parent Advocates, PTA's, Educators and Principals, School Safety, the Administration for Children Services, the District Attorney's Office, NYC department of Youth & Development and local organizations and nonprofits.

II. Speakers

A. Rita Weston, Special Education Community Liaison - Motivated Care

Motivated Care began as an advocacy group for parents when the organization's CEO had trouble getting services for his child with an IEP. Motivated Care assist families with getting services for a child's IEP as well as getting an IEP if needed. They have educators, social workers, case managers, and a legal team and offer workshops, provide speech and OT, advocate for children and provide an array of other support services. All services provided are free and Motivated Care works with families of all school types; public, charter, private, etc. Motivated Care partners with NeON Arts, a program of the New York City Department of Probation (DOP). CB9 to invite Motivated Care to table at future events in the district.

B. Alfred McDowell, New Path Horse Academy/Light House Community Church

Mr. McDowell shared that Light House Community Church will be renting space at the Fellowship Covenant Church on Castle Hill and the parish wants to connect further with BXC9 participants to determine how they can provide needed services to adults, seniors and the youth. Mr. McDowell also runs a nonprofit that focuses on horseback riding programs for the youth. Potential for Mr. McDowell to partner with CB9 for Back to School Event.

III. Old Business

A. 2024 Yankee Youth Leadership Awards Update

BXC9 Yankee Youth Leaders will be recognized at the Wednesday, August 7th Yankee vs. Los Angeles Angels Game and the Y&E Committee Chair will be invited on the field with the students in representation of CB9. Game Day tickets for the Wednesday, June 19th Game will be leisure, all Yankee Youth Award recipients were given Game Day tickets for this game as well as local youth organizations. This year's allotted tickets from the Yankees were extremely limited and all youth groups and partners received a reduced number of tickets.

IV. New Business

A. FREE Summer Theater Program for Teens

Summer Shakespeare is a 5 week summer intensive that is free for qualifying students. Master Classes begin July 8th-11th, Play Rehearsals begin July 15th-Aug 8th and the Final Performances will take place on August 9th. Flyer with additional details was emailed to committee and included in the BXC9 email bulletin for wide distribution.

B. September Agenda Items

The Youth & Education Committee is hoping to sponsor a Back to School Event and is looking to meet in July and August to further plan the event details.

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