



**MINUTES OF THE
MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2016
AUDITORIUM
BEDFORD STUYVESANT MULTI-SERVICE CENTER
1958 FULTON STREET
BROOKLYN, NY 11216**

Attendance:

Members Present: Idris Abdullah, Felicia Alexander, Tywan Anthony, Anthony Buissereth, Ivy Gamble-Cobb, Evelyn Collier, Taina Evans, Richard Fleteau, Keith Forest, Mary Jemison-Head, Kimberly Hill, Oma Holloway, Edna Johnson, Dr. Kerliene Johnson, Marion Little, Hardy “Joe” Long, Dovie Matthews, Santana Payton, C. Doris Pinn, Stacey Ruffin, Nelson M. Stoute, Lydia Temples, Rev. Dr. Robert Waterman, Shanita Wells, Douglas Williams, Tremaine Wright

Members Absent: Dr. Kim Best, Gloria Boyce, Mulan Isaiah Burgess, Dolores Witherspoon-Dickerson, Brenda Fryson, Gregory Glasgow, Christopher James, Paulette Moorehead, Eldica Murray, Michael McCaw, Bernice McRae, Kwaku Payton, Adrian Sinclair, Abraham Smilowitz, Rev. Jesse Sumbry, Cheska Tolentino, Antonio Whitaker, T. J. Wilson

INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Hardy “Joe” Long.

REMARKS FROM THE CHAIRPERSON-Tremaine S. Wright
Ms. Wright read the agenda into the record.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

Michael Smith –Hon. Annette Robinson

Announced Thursdays Commemoration at Medgar Evers College at 5:30pm. It is a free program. A panel discussion on Shirley Chisolm with Q+A.

Brian McLaurin—Hon. Leticia James

Announced the Public Advocate lawsuit regarding Public Finance. Additionally, screening benefits for seniors and rent freezes.

On April 30, 2016 at Job Corps there will be a Deed Workshop. There will be discussion on Deed Theft and how to protect your Investment. It is free from 10am-1pm on the 2nd floor.

Candice Julien—Borough Presidents Office

Thanked all Board Members terms that are ending. May we will have a new set of Board Members. April 16, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. All are welcome to come to meet the Borough President.

On April 28, 2016 there will be a Town Hall Meeting NYC Department of Transportation, 444 Clinton Avenue 6:30p.m. Teen Challenge Center.

Babatunde Acowe – Hon. Robert Cornegy

State of the District at Uncommon Schools. Persons requiring assistance with a Tax Lien, seek assistance on Tuesday April 26, 2016 at Restoration Plaza. Additionally call 718-919-0740 if you require assistance with regards to Immigration.

Lora Brown- Interfaith Hospital

The Facility is available to Host Community Events. They are a resource to the Community. Interfaith will continue Breast Cancer Screening via Digital Mammography.

Martha Works – 81st Precinct Council President

They meet every second Tuesday. Multi-Service Center. They will celebrate the bravery of two officers shot.

Alicka Ampry-Samuel - Hon. Latrice Walker.

Budget Passed 156 Million. Every 3rd Saturday please attend her monthly Advisory Board Meeting

Metin Sarci – Hon. Stephen Levin

MWBE program tomorrow April 5, 2016 at Multi-Service Center

Lena Gates – Principal, P. S. 5 District 16

Located at 820 Hancock Street.

She is a seasoned Principle of 16 years. The Principal Reiterates that our Children need us. The Principal discussed the States Classification of “Low Performing Schools”. P.S. 5 Brings several programs to the School Community:

1. You Rock
Top Students that are juniors and seniors are interviewed. They assist in tutoring from January to March. Four days per week and for four hours.
2. STEM Program
Teachers are in the process of being trained.

Divinah Bailey – Watchful Eye

On April 12, 2016, Watchful Eye will attend the Universal Circus. All elected officials and clergy will attend the Pre-Show. Black Vets for Social Justice will appear @ Floyd Bennett Field.

Mary Head

Thanking Community for supporting her son Martin Head.

District Manager Report

National Grid will have Emergency Shut off Valves Installed. They are installing one block at a time. It is a legal mandate. The office has the scheduled list.

I. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Civic & Public Safety Committee: Sylvia Abram Outreach Person for CCRB

The CCRB is a City Agency Independent of the NYPD.

1. They Investigate and Mitigate:

- Allegations of Force
- Abuse of Authority
- Abusive Language

- Face to Face Police officer and the person encountered
- Frisk without sufficient Cause
- Section 20... Section 09 refusal to provide name rank and precinct-identification
- Discourteous Actions and Gestures

2. CCRB Guidelines

a. Stop Frisk and Search

Level 1 Request for Information—should be unbiased and credible

Level 2 Accusatory—Questions should be a founded suspicion

Level 3 Stop Reasonable Suspicion

- Crime Committed
- About to Commit a Crime
- Has Information on a Crime

b. Frisk

- Pat down of outer clothing
- Reasonable Suspicion that You have a weapon
- Search is then conducted

c. Civilian Responsibility

1. Ask the Question clearly—Am I free to Leave? If the Officer Answers No. You are being temporarily detained.
2. How to file a Complaint with the CCRB?
800-341-2272 or WWW.NYC.GOV//CCRB or 100 Church Street on 10th floor

Question and Answer

After the face to face is done, what happens next?

Mediation is not on Police Officer Records. If you are displeased, you can send it back to CCRB. Note. Face to Face is voluntary by the officer. Additionally, you can always call back into the office for follow-up.

Sylvia Ancruu – Director of CCRB

Advised she cannot comment on pending investigations. Must be filed by observer to file and provide as much information.

Resident Question and Statement

Why are Community Affairs Officers Changing? It is good for the community that they stay their post. Our Community Officers are knowledgeable and we want them to stay.

CCRB Guidelines

d. CCRB General Info

1. The CCRB will record, investigate and mediate. Acting also as an information deposit to see data trends.
2. 100% of complaints filed involve 14% of Officers. CCRB finds face to face mediation to be successful.
3. If there is an incident of Police Officer Retaliation, it will be flagged as such.

II. INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION

A. Housing & Land Use Committee

Information Session by Gerard Miller
1012 Gates Avenue

1. NHS began educating in 1992 to Empower Residents
The following workshops are facilitated:
 - HUD Certification,
 - Mortgage Qualification,
 - Access Programs for First Time Home Buyers.
 - a. The Certification is good for one year.
2. Landlord and Tenant Training
 - a. Every Second Thursday there is landlord training.
 - b. A tenant training—Tenant rights and tenant responsibility.
 - c. 18 hour Home Maintenance Training.
3. Financial Literacy for youth and adults,
 - a. budgeting and investments

B. Civic & Public Safety Committee:

Information Session by H. Nolasco 718-683-6610

Project Planner, Bed Stuyvesant Anti-Violence Project. 677 Lafayette Avenue

1. The Project derived from a federally funded Grant to focus on Domestic Violence. The initial focus is on an 18 Block Radius. Looking to implement within the next year.
2. Domestic Violence playing a major role in other forms of violent behavior.
 - Homicide
 - Child Abuse Investigations
3. Special attention will be given to help the Offender. (The victim will be provided support as well)

Committee Updates

Chair Oma Hollaway Education Committee

There was a Town Hall Meeting with CEC and Carmen Farina. The meeting was very well attended. The Community was provided an opportunity to ask Questions regarding our schools. There will be continued series of these types of meetings.

CEC 16 sponsored Meeting on “opt out of testing”. It is the - Parents right to Decide. Please look out for information from the Public Advocates Office on this.

The NYC Opt out website will explain what you, as a parent must do.

Richard Flateau – Economic Development

Change in Meeting Date.

April 14 in Restoration Plaza the Economic Development Committee will meet.

Evelyn Collier – Landmarks Committee Report

Letter Read from Committee Chair

Recommendation to support the construction to be done at Chez Oscar

Land Mark Public Hearing on April 19, 2016

Resident Statement

Resident is supportive of work done by Chez Oscar. It is a neighborhood favorite. Resident looks forward to their future work in Bed Stuy.

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Community Announcements**Taina Evans – Brooklyn Public Library**

Program to Interview Seniors on Bed Stuy—Their Story.

Oma Holloway – My Base

Working with Young People from the Community.

Kimberly Hill

Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation/Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc
Diabetes Support Group Monthly Meeting.

Respectfully submitted by,

Kimberly Hill

April 29, 2016