

Brooklyn Community Board 9
890 Nostrand Avenue
Brooklyn, New York 11225
Economic Development Committee Meeting Minutes

September 12, 2022
Meeting ID: 813 1117 8223

Attendance (Board Members): Warren Berke, Committee Chair; Dexter Roberts

Attendance (Community Resident Members): Marlena Mondesir; Allison Samuels

Absent (Board Members): Michael Liburd; Mattijs Limberger; Yaakov Pearson

Absent (Community Resident Members): Sherie Campbell; Greg Clarke

Guest: Suki Cheong, CB9

CB9 Staff: Dante B. Arnwine, District Manager

I. Call to Order

- a. Interim Committee Chair, Warren Berke, called the meeting to order at 7:05pm

II. Welcome and Introductions

III. Committee Goals and Expectations

- a. Self-made committee
 - i. Must be proactive in engaging with the community/businesses in the district
 - ii. Past projects
 - 1. Shop Local
 - a. Campaign to promote the idea of “shopping local” to support small business committee.
 - b. Constituents incentivized by raffles, etc., to obtain prizes and promotional discounts from participating businesses
 - 2. Grow NYC Farm Stand
 - a. Coalition of Grow NYC, Elected Officials and CB9 that established a fresh farm stand in front of the closed Associated Supermarket, to offset the loss of fresh produce incurred by our residents by the closing of Associated. Currently located at the Corner of Nostrand and Crown Street

3. CB9 Community Fair
 - a. First of its kind for the CB9
 - b. Collaborative efforts of all CB committees
 - c. Small businesses were able to vend at the event
 - d. CBO's onsite to provide resources and services
- iii. Expectations
 1. Attend and participate in the committee meetings
 2. Any trends or issues relevant to the committee observed in the community should be shared

IV. Committee Activities

- a. All activities must be vetted through the Executive Committee
- b. Fundraising/sponsorship strategies, as the CB budget has very specific directives that must be adhered to
 - i. A new robust effort will be made to re-establish Friends of CB9

V. Next Steps

- a. Next meeting, committee members were prompted to brainstorm ideas that would be helpful to District businesses post Covid.

VI. Adjournment

- a. Meeting adjourned at 7:33pm. A new robust effort will be made to re-establish Friends of CB9