

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

March 11, 2024
Meeting ID: 813 4289 6142

Attendance (Board Members): Vanessa Raptopoulos, Committee Chair; Jean Rene Mbeng Nguema

Attendance (Community Resident Members): Regina Clarke, Allison Samuels, Kristin Thomas

Absent (Board Members): Shmuel Zflatman

Absent (Community Resident Members): Kristin Thomas

Guests: Nicolas Almonor; Cat B.; Brittney Ellington; Jolee Cobb; Kenya Cummings; Lisa Etienne; Rod Herbert; Jessica Kaufman; Jackson Rockingster

CB9 Staff: Dante B. Arnwine, District Manager

1. Call to order

- a. Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm

2. Review of Old Business/Last week's meeting

- a. Action items to prepare for Business Owners Breakfast on May 7th.
 - i. Dante - QR Code for Survey (to go on flier) – completed
 - ii. Allison - Flier for Business Owner Breakfast – completed
 - iii. Dante to setup a Google Doc to work on the doc before next meeting – completed
 - iv. Vanessa - Request funding from elected official - partially completed. Got AM Cunningham to agree to some donation.
 - v. Dante to circle back on Friends of CB9 - Vanessa and Dante need to discuss with Fred
 - vi. TBD - Discovery - Leaders in the corridors to help lead the initiative (post flier approval)
 - vii. Reviewed Flyer that Allison completed
 - 1. Discussed the possibility of adding either a map of CB9 or a Bagel and Coffee image
 - 2. Agreed after much discussion that Allison would make changes and send us the final version by 3/22
 - viii. Reviewed Survey that Dante made that the Flyer links to. Had some edits to include information about CB9 once people submit the form.
 - ix. Once the Flyer is completed, we can add it to the LINK NYC Kiosks as well as blasting it out to the email lists that we have. The ground game is

going to be our most important way to get the word out and we plan on walking the corridors

- x. Started discussing Run of Show.
 - 1. 9am - 9:20 arrive, grab some food, mingle
 - 2. 9:20 - CB9 Introduces ourselves
 - 3. Business owners introduce themselves
 - 4. 10:30 - Presenters and Elected officials introduce themselves and offer services.
- xi. Jackson Rockingster came (CB9 Member Nicholas Almonor brought him). He would like to present at breakfast and is the Vice Chair of the Junction Bid. They want to extend up Nostrand Ave.

3. Next Steps

- a. Action items for next Month
 - i. Allison - next round of Flyer for 3/22
 - ii. Dante - update survey
 - iii. Everyone - Start sharing Flyers after we have confirmed final version
 - iv. Dante + Vanessa discuss with Fred about Friends of CB9
 - v. Everyone - gather a list of Support Speakers that are not Business owners
 - vi. Vanessa - Budget Form
 - vii. Everyone - Location. Check out Bodega Lounge.
 - viii. Vanessa - compile emails into one list.

4. Adjournment

- a. Meeting adjourned at 8:49pm