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Minutes

Youth, Education and Library – June 16, 2014 Held at Community Board 8, Queens, 197-15 Hillside Avenue

Attendance:

Committee Members Present:

Marc A. Haken, Chair, Jagir Singh Bains, Robert Block, Edward Chung, Kenneth Cohen, II, Carolann Foley, James Gallagher, Jr., Fakrul 'Delwar' Islam, Bright Dae-Jung Limm, Frank Magri, Jesse Rosenbaum, Steven Sadofky.

Others in Attendance:

Alan Ong, Mike Sidell, Education & Library – Jennifer Manley and NYPD School Safety C.O. Wilber Jones.

Meeting started at 7:30 p.m.

We're going to have 3 presentations only two are here. Good Samaritan – Name TBA. Insurance for re-hab was important but unable to attend.

Guest 1: One Education and Library – Jennifer Manley.

Guest 2: NYPD School Safety Sgt. Wilber Jones to discuss what's going on in our schools gang, parking around school, discipline etc.

Talk to Capt. Grover about school parking. Crime in schools good year. School Safety received award from Bratton. Queens PBQS crime is down. Restore of justice, by letting administration handle instead of arresting youngsters.

To open for summer, 2 big Apple program. Prescription drug committee affair to distribute literature. Have 1 meeting month with school safety, precinct and school administration. School Safety has school until 10 p.m. (See letter from School Safety Chief). All summer long. Have representation to come out to help explorers programs.

1) Marc A Haken Questions:

- How many incidents broke down by high school, middle school and elementary? Those stats were not available to us.
- What gangs and gang activities? 107th is safe on; NO GANG activities in schools. Very minimal MS 13,
 Crips and Bloods work away from schools.
- Iphone 5 is on the up in numbers hung taken from kids in schools.
- Heroin not here in our schools.
- Prescription drug is also on the rise.

<u>**Iim Gallagher - - Explorer Post 107th - John Adam Richmond Hill, Eagle Academy and Law Enforcement Academy.** (113)</u>

2) **Big Apple Program** – Jamaica and August Martin camp. Harmony – Each Patrol Boro and School Safety.

Our second presenter: Jennifer Manley 6 Library in Community Board 8.

- City Budget has stabilized. Mayor has kept Bloomberg keeping foundry stable.
- Library book Budget Manual
- Donation of money, Queens Library foundation matched funds donated by other groups. Donation go to library are collected from.

Capital Projects Kew Garden Hills -

Fresh Meadows – busy library in system. Interior renovation completed has computers, books and lap top desk. Return machine on the outside. Happy reopened had security upgrade support of Assembly Mark Weprin and was linked and faxed.

• See attachment attached most of presentation.

Kew Garden Hills project big one, renovation and expansion. DVC has been laying concrete for new addition surprises underground not expected, waiting for permits on concrete. Target for 7/15/14 all in one finish in July 2015.

- See attached, get all on library expansion and renovations. Nothing happening in Briarwood. Interest for Briarwood to be expanded.
- Summer program and forever program google and gov. Cuomo office tables, took off at Rockaways going to every library to borrow for about 3 weeks at a time. Conference room in library please have smart board in, was recommended by James Gallagher.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Jatnna Pimentel, Community Board 8 Staff June 20, 2014