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CITY OF NEW YORK MANHATTAN COMMUNITY BOARD 10

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GENERAL BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, April 2nd 2014, 6:00 P.M. Harlem State Office Building 163 West 125th St, 2nd Floor Gallery

SUMMARY:

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 P.M.

Chair: Henrietta Lyle. Introduce herself, and welcomed everyone to the April 2014 meeting.

ELECTED OFFICIALS UPDATES:

Nina Saxon, New York City Comptroller Scott Stringer's Report:

• The Comptroller's office is offering several seminars to organizations. The flyers are on the tables by the windows

G. Puello, Manhattan Borough President's Uptown Office report:

- Mr. Puello introduced himself and spoke about MBP's newsletter
- He reported that there were over 600 applicants for positions on Manhattan Community Boards and 300 approximately people were selected
- The MBP office will have a focus on housing issues throughout the community.
- Ms. Brewer will also be introducing new legislator to City Council in the upcoming months.

Famod Konneh: Man. District Attorney's Office:

- The D.A. office is focusing on receiving many applications for its internship program. They would like the help of any entity that works with young people to encourage them to fill out an application.
- May 2nd 2014 will the start of the soccer program initiated through the Manhattan D.A. office.
- The office will also be creating a new Family Living Center based in Harlem. TBA

State Senator Bill Perkins: Senator Perkins has several initiatives he is currently working on:

- The current budget is finished
- More affordable housing for the community
- A tax credit of up to \$500 for the next two years
- SCRIBE will continue
- UPK Universal Pre-K is slated for \$300 million dollars.
- Hon. Dukes did state that the Latino Americans and other immigrants were done a disservice that the "Dream Act" did not get passed.

W. Smith: representative of Assemblyman Keith Wright Office Report:

- Introduced the A9114 Bill. This bill will prohibit the housing credit to be abandoned for at least 4 years.
- The budget season is now concluded

Public Session: 6:50pm Roll Call: 28 present

Minutes and Agenda were adopted and approved with the necessary corrections.

Chairperson's report - Approved Asst. District Manager's report - Approved Secretary's report - Approved

Chair: Henrietta Lyle Report:

Chair Lyle spoke on several issues that can be located in her CB10 monthly report.

- From the Manhattan Borough Board Report: capital funds are in need in order to move the Macomb's Bridge Library to a larger site.
- Ms. Brewer has charged the CB's to provide to her office information about vacant sites, undeveloped sites, private or city owned land that has potential to be converted into new housing.
- Environmental Clean-up action will begin at several locations in Central Harlem
- Vision Zero Task Force of CB10 will be organized and community board support will support several meetings.
- Health and Human Services were congratulated on their March 22nd 2014 "Health Forum". Hon. Lyle is looking forward to the Education & Library Committee forum on "The State of Education Uptown" on April 12, 2014

Asst. District Manager: Andrew Lassalle report:

Mr. Lassalle spoke on several issues that can be located in his CB10 monthly report. Mr. Lassalle did state that the "Tax Lien" initiative forum held recently was a great help. It helped to identify individuals who were in danger of losing their homes.

Committee Reports:

Health & Human Services:

- Hon Dukes Congratulated her team on the hard work in order to make the Health Forum a success. It was a large turn-out with many tables that provided health screenings as well as discussed many health issues that affect the Central Harlem community.
- Lisa Southerland is the head of the Helen B. Atkinson Health Center. It is located at 81 West 115th Street. They have many services for the entire community:
- 1. Prenatal May 13th 2014 will be a health fair in the front of their building to promote their existence in the community
- 2. insurance on a sliding scale/also no insurance carriers

Education & Library: Will be hosting "The State of Education in Harlem" on April 12th There will be many Speakers on hand for panel discussions. Hon. Robert Jackson will be the keynote speaker for the event.

Vision Zero Taskforce: Hon. Maria Garcia and team will be having a Town hall meeting on June 16th 2014 to discuss more measures that will aid in the central Harlem streets being safer. I.e. Bike and pedestrian safety around schools.

Business Session 7:25 pm. Roll call 30 present Voting Items

1 - Resolution on After Hours Variance (AHV)

YES <u>26 NO 1 ABSTENTION 0</u>

* The Board would like an investigation on the process of giving out Variance Licenses very easily.

* Dr. Kay Samuels was again disruptive in the General Board Meeting at 7:36pm)*

Public Announcements

J. Tajaddin had comments that expressed "Black Harlem is in Trouble" and that "We have to come together"

Dr. Worland visited the Community Board meeting.

Liz Brock had concerns that "Gentrification" is here in the Central Harlem Community.

Helen Brody of the 115th Street Library announced a project; it is an Oral History Project about "Old Harlem" She is looking for volunteers.

Meeting Adjourned 8:20 pm