Community Board 9  
890 Nostrand Avenue  
Brooklyn, NY 11225  

Committee Minutes  
Executive Committee  
Tuesday, September 19, 2017

ATTENDANCE:  
Musa Moore, CB9 Chair  
Patricia Baker, CB 9 1st Vice-Chair  
Simone Bennett, CB9 2nd Vice-Chair  
Francisca Leopold, Chair, Health & Social Svces.  
Yaakov Behrman, Chair, Environmental Comm.  
Warren Berke, CB9 Treasurer  
Scott Mathews-Novelli, Exec. Secretary  
Riel Peerbooms, Chair, Economic Development  
Vivia Morgan, Chair, Parks & Culture  
Linda Beth Lawson, CB 9 Member  
Carmen Martinez, CB9 Member  
Maxine Barnes, Community Resident  
LaShawn Ellis, Community Resident

EXCUSED:  
Michael Liburd, Chair, ULURP/Land Use  
Ada Terry, Chair, Youth Services  
Beverly Newsome, Chair, Housing

Welcome

Community Board 9 Chair Musa Moore called the meeting to order at 7:05PM and welcomed attendees.

Chair Moore read the rules of order. Outside of public comment sessions, agenda items may only be addressed by members of the public when recognized by the meeting chair/leader.

Prior to beginning business, the Board recognized the family of Francisca Leopold and all affected by recent hurricanes in Martinique.

Committee Chair Reports

Patricia Baker, Chairperson, Public Safety Committee:

- 2 applicants for SLBA licenses did not show up. The Chair would like the Board website to indicate the process and emphasize that not attending the designated meeting would result in applications not being approved. The Chair would also like to disapprove all applicants who do not show up to the scheduled Committee meeting.
  o Chair Moore recommends that Committee consider an exact procedure and then bring to the Board for consideration, especially with regards to notifying applicants of exact procedure.

- The Committee approved 5 SLBA applications, which are recommended for Board consideration:
  o Barfour LLC
  o Brooklyn Food & Arts LLC / Great Performances / Artists as Waitresses, Inc.
  o New Keg Lounge
  o PLG 499 LLC
  o J&R West Indian & American Restaurant
Francisca Leopold, Chairperson, Health & Social Services:
- By request of the Chair, the Committee will host a forum on October 19, from 11AM-2PM (separate from those proposed during the previous session). It is unclear whether or not the senior center considered for hosting, Heart to Heart, will allow unaffiliated people to attend, so alternatives may be considered. Topics include overall health, Alzheimer’s, access-a-ride, elder abuse, general scams and nutrition. The Committee would like to hold the forum before the weather gets too cold.
- Carmen Martinez asked about if there was a subcommittee addressing planning. Committee Chair Leopold added that there will be continuing Committee coordination on the matter.
- Chair Moore would prefer the location be finalized before the General Board meeting next week. Otherwise, the dates may need to be reconsidered.

Riel Peerbooms, Chairperson, Economic Development Committee (Committee Member Warren Berke reported):
- Met last week to discuss Shop Local. On October 1, the Committee will prepare a schedule and plan for this year’s iteration. The Committee would like other departments / City agencies to be involved. Funding should not be an issue. Activities will ramp up in late November and early December.

Carmen Martinez asked that Committees assess capital and budget requests as soon as possible. Final reports are due October 31. An educational needs assessment is an area of emphasis. Chair Moore would like some new input from members of the public and new Committee/Board members.

Carmen Martinez mentioned that there is now office space for Committee Chairs to perform committee’s work.

Maxine Barnes, member of the public asked about community involvement and notice of appointments on Committees.

Chairman’s Report

A lot was achieved last year and over the summer. This will be an active year with potential for lots of achievements. Education and health will be a point of emphasis.

Agenda for September 26, 2017 Community Board General Meeting

- SLA Liquor License Applications
  - Barfour LLC
  - Brooklyn Food & Arts LLC / Great Performances / Artists as Waitresses, Inc.
  - New Keg Lounge
  - PLGv499 LLC
  - J&R West Indian & American Restaurant

There may be ULURP items that arise from the 9/25 Committee meeting, but this is as-yet unclear. All My Children day care application may be a matter under consideration.

Motion that the Committee accept the agenda as proposed was duly made, seconded and unanimously approved. Motion passed.
Other Business

Treasurer Berke noted that under Robert’s Rules of Order, abstention votes are treated as a vote in favor of the majority. Carmen Martinez clarified that under the City Charter, and per the Law Department, yes votes must be more than no and abstention votes combined in order for motion to pass.

Maxine Barnes, member of the public, asked that the Committee rosters be available to the public.

Executive Secretary Mathews-Novelli asked that all motions be written in advance to ensure consistency. Treasurer Berke also mentioned that, per Robert’s Rules of Order, the motion as stated by the Chair is the motion that controls.

Carmen Martinez mentioned that the street naming event for Barbara “Cookie” Simmons went very well.

Chair Moore asks that Committee members attend all relevant meetings. The Board will review all meeting attendance to ensure consistent presence at relevant meetings.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the Board Meeting duly made, seconded and unanimously approved. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:10PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Scott Mathews-Novelli
Executive Secretary
September 24, 2017