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MINUTES OF COMMUNITY BOARD #10 MEETING

Thursday, January 21, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.

Villa Barone Manor

737 Throgs Neck Expressway

Bronx, NY 10465

PRESENT: T. Accomando, R. Baez, R. Barbarelli, R. Bieder, J. Boiko, A. Boller, P. Cantillo, Col. W. Chin, A. Chirico, M. Davila, P. Devine, V.M. Gallagher, L. Goldstein, A. Henry, R. Lifrieri, J. Marano, J. McQuade, J. Misiurski, M.J. Musano, J. Onwu, B. Pitt, L. Popovic, M. Pricoli, E. Primavera, M. Prince, M. Prohaska, A. Ponder, J.M. Provetto, R. Rodriguez, N. Rosario, J. Russo, T. Salimbene, R. Sawyer, N. Semaj, R. Talarico, E. Torres, M. Velazquez
(total # present = 37)

ABSENT: H. Acampora, L. Burrowes, I. Guanill-Elukowich, D. Hunt, M. Johnson, R. Kurz, D. Lock, K. Lynch, K. Neddermeyer, C. Papastefanou, J. Roberts, P. Sullivan
(total # absent = 12)

Community Liaisons: Elvin Garcia – Office of Mayor Bill deBlasio
Andy Toledo - Office of Bronx Borough President Ruben Diaz Jr.
Dan Hogle - Office of State Senator Jeffrey Klein
Lillian Vargas - Office of State Senator Ruben Diaz Sr.
Leon Tulton - Office of Assemblyman Michael Benedetto
Ariel Alvarez - Office of City Council Member James Vacca
Tania Ochoteco - Office of Council Member Annabel Palma
Patrick Rocchio - Bronx Times Reporter

Board #10 Staff: Kenneth Kearns - District Manager
Susan Duffy

Chairman Martin Prince began the meeting at 7:45 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The above Community Liaisons were introduced and thanked for coming.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SECTION:

- 1 - A. Fuentes, Deputy City Clerk, NYC: described Amnesty Program for lobbying organizations who had registered with the City to come forward starting December, 2016; distributed pamphlets. Contact www.cityclerk.nyc.gov or call 212-669-8171.
- 2 - E. Garcia, NYC Mayor's Office: discussed the Mayor's efforts concerning the upcoming snow storm; advised community to subscribe to NotifyNYC for information; Department

of Education graduation rates reached 70%, goal is 80%; acknowledged new Bronx D.A. Darcel Clark; new NYC Court to be created in each borough – Gun Court.

- 3 - D. Aponte, Catholic Charities Outreach Coordinator for HomeBase: works with landlords and tenants to assist tenants in remaining in current residence as opposed to going into a shelter; offices at 2901 White Plains Rd. and 4377 Bronx Blvd.; clients must schedule an appointment to meet with case manager; also works with veterans, disabled, children. Call 347-913-4694 or 347-947-3920.
- 4 - L. Gonzalez, Boystown Program Supervisor: national organization; providing different levels of care to children, families, parents. Needs space to provide behavioral classes for constituents in Council Member A. King's district. Contact her at 718-777-2154 or Lilybelle.gonzalez@boystown.org.
- 5 - E. Sementilli: talked about seniors and the need for affordable housing; encouraged the community to become more involved in efforts to get more affordable housing, especially for seniors.
- 6 - L. Brown, Baychester Public Library, K. Carrasco, Westchester Square; E. Devora, East Bronx Outreach Librarian: libraries are now opened 50 hours, additional programming for the evenings; Parkchester library is open on Sundays, NYPL still needs on-going financial support. Check NYPL website for programming.
- 7 - Lou Rocco: discussed security issues in the Westchester Square area and disruptive students leaving the Lehman Campus at dismissal; called news conference in front of McDonalds in Westchester Square and reached out to local pastors for assistance; spoke to the students who told him that they are not listened to, proposed an outreach program.
- 8 - J. O'Connor – Garvey School, yellow school house; private school, needs support for STEAM program (science, technology engineering, arts, math); students can take Mandarin, French, Spanish languages and are exposed to the various arts. All students are exposed to a rigorous program for advancement. Invited community to the February 25, 2016 Fundraiser at the Eastwood Manor.
- 9 - A. Perez, NY Political Coalition: discussed the importance of the community to support the Muslim residents and business owners

A motion to close the public participation section was made by Mr. Talarico, seconded by Mrs. Primavera and unanimously approved by all.

A motion to accept the minutes from the November 19, 2015 Bronx Community Board #10 meeting was made by Mr. Goldstein, seconded by Mr. Marano, and unanimously approved by all.

BOROUGH PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Mr. Lucania

Additional information can be found about the topics noted below on the Borough President's website: bronxboropres@nyc.gov.

Reappointment applications are to be returned as soon as possible, terms end on March 31, 2016. Deadline for new applications is February 5, 2016; applications available at the above website. State of Borough Address at Cardinal Hayes H.S., February 18, 2016, 11:30 a.m.

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT: Mr. Kearns

The mammography van is cancelled due to weather.

The Board hosted a meeting organized by Senator Klein and attended by Assemblyman Benedetto, Council Member Vacca, officials from the Department of Education, Lehman Campus school officials, and NYPD concerning the problems originating with certain Lehman Campus Students at dismissal. There is now an increased NYPD presence at dismissal. Problems have occurred because the Campus houses six schools, six principals, six budgets, etc. and is in need of staff to coordinate services among the six schools. At the meeting it was noted that a single administrative position will be created to coordinate the necessary services. The Board has asked Montefiore to reach out to the schools which currently has a school based clinic on campus. It was also suggested that peer groups be created for the students.

Lastly, a new TD Bank branch will be in place at Crosby / Westchester Avenue. This action will displace three businesses and the Economic Development Committee will be asked to work with Small Business Services and BOEDC to provide assistance to the displaced businesses.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: Mr. Prince

The Committee met on January 4, 2016. Minutes are self-explanatory.

HOUSING/ZONING COMMITTEE: Mr. Sullivan

The Committee meeting for January 5, 2016 was postponed.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: Mr. Bieder for Mr. McQuade

The Committee met on January 6, 2016. There wasn't a quorum at the meeting so the new, renewal and amended liquor license applications will need to be voted on at the full Board meeting on January 21, 2016. These resolutions are noted below.

Mr. Bieder has an addendum to the meeting minutes which was read at the full Board meeting on January 21, 2016 full Board meeting. A strong exchange between Mr. Bieder and Mr. Sementilli took place in that Mr. Sementilli took objection to his name being included in the addendum to the Economic Committee meeting minutes.

Mr. Bieder went over the MARCH enforcement initiative undertaken by NYPD and other agencies on certain establishments in the Board service area. One of the establishments complained that it was racially motivated. Mr. Bieder noted that this particular establishment had signed the Board's stipulations and had 10 violations out of the 15, as a result of the MARCH initiative.

For Renewals:

“Resolved...at the recommendation of the Economic Development Committee of Bronx Community Board #10, that the following establishments have agreed to comply with the best management practice standards contained within the Stipulations, by signing them, and to further agree to attend ATAP training, and that their compliance be sent to the State Liquor Authority, along with the Resolution and the vote, and copies placed in the Board’s file:

*New Green Dragon, 4111-4113 E Tremont Ave, between Miles and Lawton Aves, License #1197260, which expires on 01/31/16.

*Seafood City, 459 City Island Ave, 10464, between Beach & Bowne Sts, License #1004051, which expires on 01/31/16.

*Seafood City, 459 City Island Ave, 10464, between Beach & Bowne Sts, License #1154815, which expires on 01/31/16.

*Tony’s Pier Restaurant, 1 City Island Ave, between Belden St & Eastchester Bay, License #1004057, which expires on 02/29/16.

*JP’s Inn, 703 Minneford Ave, 10465, between Bridge & Terrace Sts, License #1004046, which expires on 01/31/16.

*Estrellita Poblana I, 2227-31 Westchester Ave, 10462, between Castle Hill & Glebe Aves, License #1259128, which expires on 12/31/15.

*Vapor Lounge, 3758 E Tremont Ave, 10465, between Randall & Roosevelt Aves, License #1278013, which expires on 01/31/16.

*Ampere Fishing & Yacht Club, 1610 Bayshore Ave, 10465, between Outlook & Watt Aves, License #1003336, which expires on 02/29/16.

*Chirping Chicken, 3048 Buhre Ave, 10461, between Jarvis & Hobart Ave, License #1112721, which expires on 01/31/2016

*Johnny’s Reef, 2 City Island Ave, 10464, between Belden St & Eastchester Bay, License #1004047, which expires on 02/29/16.”

There were no issues with the Board Members present. No vote was taken as there wasn’t a quorum and the matter was referred to the full Board Meeting on January 21, 2016.

A motion to accept the resolution for renewal licenses was made by Mr. Marano, seconded by Mr. Accomando and unanimously approved by all.

For Change in Method of Operation-Extended Hours

“Resolved...at the recommendation of the Economic Development Committee of Bronx Community Board #10, that the following establishments have agreed to comply with the best management practice standards contained within the Stipulations, by signing them, and to further

agree to attend ATAP training, and that their compliance be sent to the State Liquor Authority, along with the Resolution and the vote, and copies placed in the Board's file:

*Acri Café, 1315 Commerce Ave, 10461, between Waterbury Ave & Halsey St, License #1288253, which expires on 09/30/17.

**(Original closing time Sun to Sat-10:00 PM New closing time Sun to Sat-2:00 AM)
(Original opening time Sat & Sun-4:00 PM New opening time Sat & Sun-11:30 AM)"**

There were no issues with the Board Members present. No vote was taken as there wasn't a quorum and the matter was referred to the full Board Meeting on January 21, 2016.

A motion to accept the resolution for an amended license for Acri Café was made by Ms. Pitt, seconded by Mr. Accomando and unanimously approved by all.

For New Licenses:

“Resolved...at the recommendation of the Economic Development Committee of Bronx Community Board #10, that the following establishments have agreed to comply with the best management practice standards contained within the Stipulations, by signing them, and to further agree to attend ATAP training, and that their compliance be sent to the State Liquor Authority, along with the Resolution and the vote, and copies placed in the Board's file:

*La Casa Del Sabor, 2728 E Tremont Ave, 10461, between Frisby & St Raymond Aves, License #NEW.

*Rosy's Manor, 3677 E Tremont Ave, 10465, between Philip & Randall Aves, License #NEW.

*Estrellita Poblama, 45 Westchester Sq, 10461, between Roberts & Ponton Aves, License #NEW.” **(New Ownership)**

There were no issues with the Board Members present. No vote was taken as there wasn't a quorum and the matter was referred to the full Board Meeting on January 21, 2016.

A motion to accept the resolution for new licenses was made by Mr. Boiko, seconded by Bishop Rosario and unanimously approved by all.

YOUTH SERVICES/EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Mr. Bieder

The Committee met on January 19, 2016. Minutes are self-explanatory. Ms. Rhenecia Perry of Throggs Neck Community Action Program (TNCAP) spoke to the Committee about TNCAP's need for grants and financial support to continue its mission. She also discussed the Weekend Walk NOT62 sponsored by TNCAP and Bronx Community Board 10 and will work on getting petitions for the Hollywood Avenue street closure. Lehman High School is hosting a FASFA completion event at the school on February 1, 2016. Use this link for sign-up and additional information <http://nyccollegeline.org/events/fafsa-completion-event-herbert-h-lehman-high-school>.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE: Mr. Russo

Mr. Bieder chaired the joint Committee meeting of Municipal Services and Parks & Recreation on November 23, 2015 which was attended by the Borough Commissioners for Parks Mrs. Iris Rosa-Rodriguez and Department of Transportation, Mrs. Connie Moran.

A request for a street overlay was presented to the Committee and unanimously approved.

“Resolved...at the recommendation of the Municipal Services Committee of Bronx Community Board #10, that a street overlay honoring Al Agovino, Sr. on Harrington Avenue between Mayflower Avenue and Edison Avenue be approved and this information with supporting documentation be forwarded to the Office of Council Member James Vacca for presentation to the New York City Council.”

A motion to accept the Resolution for the street overlay was made by Mr. Bieder, seconded by Mr. Accomando and unanimously approved by all.

The Committee also met on January 12, 2016 which was chaired by Mr. Papastefanou. Mrs. Erin Godwin, Fund for the City of New York Community Planning Fellow, sent her preliminary interim report to the Board Office, which was attached to the Committee minutes.

Ms. Rhenecia Perry of Throggs Neck Community Action Program (TNCAP) discussed the Weekend Walk NOT62 for May 7, 2016, sponsored by TNCAP and Bronx Community Board 10. TNCAP had originally filed for two Weekend Walks on the same day and withdrew one. One was put forth in Committee and forwarded to the full Board as a floor Resolution because there was no quorum on January 12, 2016.

“Resolved...at the Request of Bronx Community Board #10 that the following street activity permit be approved: Event ID: 260565-May 7, 2016 from 10:00 AM to 4:30 PM - Throggs Neck not 62 , NYC DOT Weekend Walk sponsored by Throggs Neck Community Action Program (TNCAP).”

A motion to accept the resolution for the street activity permits was made by Mr. Boiko, seconded by Mr. Marano and unanimously approved by all.

PARKS/RECREATION COMMITTEE: Mrs. Gallagher

The Committee met jointly with Municipal Services on November 23, 2015.

The Committee met on January 11, 2016 during which the NYC Department of Parks and Recreation presented a plan for its Parks without Borders Program. City-wide funding for the project is \$15 million dollars. Ferry Point Park has been submitted and the Board will choose four more. Parks will revisit the Committee on Monday February 1 for a working session.

A 9-11 momento has been donated to the Lutheran Church on Hollywood Avenue; discussion about possibly creating a memorial in nearby Schneider-Sampson Park to house the momento. Mr. Devine has agreed to be a co-chair of the Parks and Recreation Committee.

PLANNING/BUDGET COMMITTEE: Mr. Misiurski

The Committee did not meet this month.

HEALTH/HUMAN SERVICES: Bishop Rosario for Mrs. Hunt

The Committee met on January 20, 2016. Dr. Ponder prepared the minutes which were read by Bishop Rosario.

The Committee discussed a Health Walk at Maritime College for either April 2, 9, or 16. Not62 Initiative with TNCAP, was presented by Janet Bliss. It is being held on Saturday, May 7 from 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. on Hollywood Avenue between Schley and Randall Avenues. Goal is to bring opportunities to community to understand a healthy lifestyle.

A presentation by Ms. Aponte, Outreach Coordinator, Catholic Charities was made to share information about the resources of the HomeBase program.

Dr. Ponder touched upon his attendance at the December and January Borough Board meetings at the Borough President's Office and noted that the HIV resolution was passed at the January meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

A discussion about overnight parking of trucks along the service roads took place; it was noted that these vehicles are in violation and should seek private parking. Mr. Hogel of Sen. Klein's Office told the community that fines are \$250 yet incorrect fines are routinely given because the NYPD summons book has not been updated and some agents/officers do not know the correct amount. The Department of Finance is the agency responsible for updating the summons book.

On January 28, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. there will be a meeting of the By-Laws Committee. All are invited to attend and any proposals for changes must be submitted prior to that date.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Goldstein discussed Int. 573A which is the subject of a public hearing in the City Council on January 22, 2016. It is a resolution in support of limiting horse drawn carriage use and the treatment of horses. It was determined that since it is a hearing, not a vote, and the majority of members felt it was not a matter for the Community to vote upon, a motion to table the matter was approved by a majority of members in attendance (23).

Motion to close the January 21, 2016 Community Board #10 meeting was made by Mr. Bieder, seconded by Bishop Rosario and unanimously approved by all.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Duffy.