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**FULL BOARD MEETING,
TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 2010 6:30PM
PS 197 (JOHN RUSSWURM SCHOOL)
2230 5TH AVENUE @ 135TH STREET
NEW YORK, NY 10035**

PRESENT:

Beverly Alston
Chester Asher
Roberto Ayala
Laura Benitez
Frank Brija
Monica Brown
Hally Chu
Diane Collier
Hans Desnoyers
Linda Dicamillo
Brodie Enoch
Judith Febbraro
David Louis Giordano
Joseph Goldbloom
Willie Mae Goodman
Alvin Johnson
Jewel Jones
Joann Lawson
Keith Massey
Frances Mastrota
Eric Mayor
Peggy Morales
Hector Nazario
Martin Garcia Orduna
Tatiana Orlov
Cesar Ortiz
Amie Kyros-Petrucci
Debbie Quinones
Celia Ramirez
Anthony Rivera
Robert Rodriguez
Xavier Alistair Santiago
Edward N. Santos
Cora Shelton
Alexandra Vasallo
Hilda Vives-Vazquez (Candy)
Carmen Villegas
Matthew Washington
Martha L. Wiggins

ABSENT:

Jose Altamirano
Olga Ambert
Aurora Flores
Diane Green
Lashwn Henry
Wanda Latchman

EXCUSED:

Israel Miranda
Derrick Taitt
Joan M. Williams

ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Maria De La Rosa
Eric Rivera
Jaritza Taveras
Cathleen McCadden

SPEAKERS:

DI William Pla
Diane Rivera
Jose Garza
Tony Maya
Verliene Cheeseboro
Tika Fotoglidu
John Ruiz

GUEST:

Wendy Ferreira
Raymond Ferreira
Lee Chong
Jeannette Beuanegra
Virginia M. Clarke
Vanessa Emerich
Lorraine Dixon
Diana Ortiz
Jim Greene
Stella Heine
David Yuelles
Eileen Reyes
Soo Han
Kinshmen Maneh
Kenneth Wright
Patricia Kettles
David Nolert
Diane Rivera
Kristina Marrett
Richard Toussaint
Lorice Johnson
Theresa Richardson
Aurora Cerda
Carmen Fernandez
Jose Garza
Rafael Merino
Dee Henpstler
Halbert Clark

GUEST CON'T

Vanessa Clark
Alvin Alexis
Ethel Coaxum
Wesley Boruim
Johnny Rivera
Robert Gary Stopper
Janis Vincal
Tammy Griffin
Florence Middleton
Annie M. Williams
Michelle Bishop
Darlene Banks
Gwen Robinson

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Pre Registered Speakers

William Pla – Deputy Inspector – Spoke about increasing violence in the 23rd Pct. DI Pla wants George Sarkissian to attend a rally on gang violence.

Diane Rivera – Evangelical Children’s Association – Spoke about a Christian children’s parade on June 19, 2010. Parade will start from 96th St. to 122nd St. on Third Ave. The stage and community services will be at East 116th St.

Jose Garza – New Executive Director of the East Harlem Business Capital Corporation – spoke of the “Business Wise” program, small business programs and computer classes.

Tika Fotoglidi – President of Spaha Café locate at 115-116 Lexington Avenue – Spoke about their one-year anniversary. They support schools and community gardens. She wants small businesses to support each other.

Verliene Cheeseboro – Church of Scientology of Harlem – Spoke about educating children, human rights, saying “no” to drugs and “yes” to life in their “Be Happy” Program.

Public Elected Officials

Cathleen McCadden – Assemblyman Wright’s Office – Spoke about the importance of the census.

Eric Rivera – Senator Serrano’s Office – Introduced their new Community Board 11 liaison, Ms. Joanne Camacho.

John Ruiz – District Leader – Spoke about the 32BJ union strikers and how they were hoping that they would get back to the negotiation table soon.

Jaritza Tavares – Manhattan Borough President’s Office – Welcomed the new board members and invited them to a welcoming event. Also talked about non-profit workshops being offered by the BP’s office.

Maria De La Rosa – District Attorney’s Cy Vance’s Office – Spoke about the increase in violence in our community and stressed the need of the “If you see something, say something” philosophy.

Business Session

- **Roll Call** - Cesar Ortiz, Secretary
- **Adoption of the Agenda** - Moved by Francis Mastrotta seconded by Monica Brown and approved unanimously.
- **Approval of Boards Minutes** - Moved by Xavier Santiago second by Antonio Rivera approved unanimously.
- **Chairs Report** – **Matthew Washington** welcomed new members. Reminds board members that committee request forms are due on Friday, April 23, 2010. Announces that all committee agendas will be accessible on the website. CB11 has been on CBTv and has another program coming up on May 16

at 7pm dealing with school closings and charter schools. Thanked Beverly Alston for flyer initiative and Alvin Johnson, Brodie Enoch, Peggy Morales and former board member Marina Ortiz for volunteering in the office. Also thanked Judith Febbraro for replacing Norma while she was on vacation for a week. Moved by C. Ortiz and seconded by Brodie Enoch and passed unanimously.

- **DM Report – Mr. Sarkissian** thanked Alvin Johnson, Brodie Enoch, Joanne Lawson, Laura Benitez, Peggy Morales and former board member Marina Ortiz for April 10, 2010 census outreach effort. CB11 partnered with Councilmember Melissa Mark -Viverito's office to distribute free Census 2010 t-shirts, hats, flyers, etc. Moved by Joanne Lawson, seconded by Peggy Morales and passed unanimously.

- **Approval of Committee Reports and Action Items -**

- a. Health & Human Services – D. Giordano
 - i. Motion by C. Ortiz to accept the East River Plaza Solicitation for proposals for food bank donations. Seconded by C. Vasquez and passed unanimously.

- b. SLA Subcommittee – E. Santos
 - i. Motion by J. Febbraro for approval of the Pee Dee Steakhouse's partial liquor license renewal, AC Deli & Grocery's partial liquor license renewal and Brooklyn Flea's (Central Park Summer Stage) partial liquor license renewal. Seconded by A. Johnson and passed unanimously.

- ii. Motion by C. Ramirez to send denial resolutions for the following businesses based on 311 calls, failure to respond to any request of Community Board (including, but not limited to refusal to answer phone calls, refusal to complete CB11 questionnaire and refusal to attend CB11 SLA Subcommittee meeting): Top Entertainment, Inc. (Renewal) – seven (7) 311 incidents, Shomara, Inc. (Renewal) – one (1) 311 incident and San Felipe Deli Grocery Corp. (Renewal) – ten (10) 311 incidents. Seconded by J. Febbraro and passed unanimously.

- iii. Motion by F. Brijia to send denial resolutions for the following businesses based on failure to respond to any request of the Community Board (including, but not limited to refusal to answer phone calls, refusal to complete CB11 questionnaire and refusal to attend CB11 SLA Subcommittee meeting): Santamaria Restaurant Corp. (New), Two Fifth Bar and Grill (New), Maribel Garcia Gomez corporation to be hereafter designated (New), Cucina Romana, Inc. (Renewal), Restaurant Aguirre, Inc. (Renewal) and Mi Abuelita Restaurant Corp. (Renewal) Seconded by J. Febbraro and passed unanimously.

- c. Parks & Recreation – F. Mastrota

- i. Motion by C. Ramirez to write a letter to Councilwoman Melissa Mark-Viverito to the Parks Committee to discuss the East River and Harlem River Esplanade conditions and their request to join the planned task force. Seconded by A. Petrucci and passed unanimously.

- ii. Motion by M. Brown to support CB6 Resolution endorsing the principles of transparency in the awarding of Park Concessions, which would specifically spell out all conditions of concessions operations in all Parks & Recreation areas in all boroughs. Seconded by K. Massey and passed unanimously.

- d. Cultural Affairs – D. Quinones

- i. Motion by F. Mastrota to support the expansion of El Museo del Barrio. Seconded by A. Johnson and passed unanimously.

- ii. Motion by C. Ramirez to send a letter to El Museo del Barrio, Executive Search Committee, recommending that the new Executive Director have strong skill set and have linkages to the Puerto Rican and El Barrio community. Seconded by X. Santiago and passed unanimously.

- e. Executive Committee – M. Washington

- Motion by A. Johnson to approve the beginning of the removal process for the members listed. Seconded by F. Mastrota. Roll call was made for the voting. There were 19 "Yes", 13 "No" and 6 "Abstains". The motion does not pass. Motion will be taken back to the Executive Committee for further discussion and will be re-addressed next month if the Executive Committee puts it forth.

Motion to approve all the committee reports by B. Alston seconded by E. Santos and passed unanimously.

Old Business

- i. Last month, the full board asked that the Committee communicate with the Department of Citywide Administration Service. Not pleased with the decision to keep them at the office location. Expectation was to move back to the former location on 115th St. and Madison and Park

Avenue Colon Plaza. Executive Committee will review it at its upcoming meeting to see what further action may be initiated.

- ii. David Giordano talks about CB11 giving a letter supporting the Sugar Juice Tax. Motion by D. Quinones for a stipulation to be added to the letter stating that the revenue raised by the taxes be used for the prevention of illnesses such as childhood obesity, etc., and to improve healthcare for all New Yorkers. Seconded by M. Garcia and passed unanimously.
- iii. B. Alston suggests that any CB11 catchment area above 125th Street is considered Central or Northern Harlem and that it should be added to the logo banner. It will be discussed in Executive Committee.

Motion for adjournment made by A. Johnson seconded by F. Mastrota. Motion passed unanimously.

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