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**Youth and Education Committee**  
**Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019, 6:30 p.m.**  
**Location: Board Office, 1664 Park Avenue**

**\*\*\* MINUTES \*\*\***

**Present:** Yolanda Brown, David Giordano, Jada Heredia, Elsie Encarnacion, John Green, Malik McCullough, Mahfuzur Rahman, Jason Villanueva, Carly Wine (staff), and Jason Wu

**Absent:**

**Excused:** Isaac Scott

**Guests:** Paul Dawkins, NYSoM; Kevin Jean Baptiste, DANY; Bessie Craig; Jose Venegas

1. Call to Order– Adoption of the Agenda

A motion to adopt the agenda was made by John Green and seconded by Mahfuzur Rahman at approximately 6:35 PM. The Chair welcomed members and guests and asked guests to introduce themselves. After introductions the Chair facilitated the discussions relating to the Youth Symposium and youth involvement in the Board by involving them in shaping the Symposium.

2. Presentations & Discussions

a. Committee discussion about Youth Symposium

The Chair opened the discussion by asking members to take a moment to review areas of the proposed Youth Symposium that Xavier Santiago presented at last committee meeting. The Chair asked members to focus on the purpose and goals of what is being proposed and presented and do they align with the committee's (Youth & Education) mission and goals. So as members began to look over the proposal, the chair also mentioned that as we are developing the Task Force for the Youth Symposium, there would be several committees involved and thought it would be good for us to be clear on what are our suggestions of what we would like to see come out of the symposium. As Members all shared their ideas and experiences from doing similar events for youth, both the successes and challenges and most important, the commitment to work that is needed by members in order to achieve a successful and meaningful symposium. We also considered what is the target age of the youth and the type of youth you are interested in reaching out to attend the symposium. And most important, what do we want them, Youth to get out of attending the Symposium. As the discussion continued, it

was clear that members wanted youth to be involved in the entire process, in the planning, the brainstorming of what are youth's views on the issues as well as the solutions and to give the Youth a role in the facilitation of ideas facilitation of the workshops (Youth Listen To Youth) and Give Youth a Voice. The Committee is committed to working on making this a successful and meaningful event. Several members have indicated they want to be actively involved.

b. Committee discussion about Youth Subcommittee

As majority of the today's discussion centered around the Youth Symposium and the members strong feelings regarding including youth in the process of planning & implementing the youth symposium was viewed as a way of getting youth involved in the board. The chair explained that as we reach out and involve youth in the symposium, thereby developing relationship with the youth and engaging them to be members of the Youth task force.

3. New Business

4. Old Business

5. Announcements

Several members acknowledged the successful work of Malik McCullough in his November 30<sup>th</sup> Coat Drive and the great act of leading by example. Making it happen.

Paul Dawkins from NYSoM informed committee of upcoming Holiday Party and gift giveaway for youth in community. Many members thanked and praised Paul for all the wonderful events he has done for youth in the East Harlem community for so many years.

David Giordano Announced that Children's Aid Administration would be presenting at December full Board regarding the Update of the Children's Aid East Harlem Center Rebuild.

6. Adjournment

Adjournment was made by John Green seconded by Malik McCullough