Youth and Education Committee
Tuesday, December 11, 2013, 6:30 p.m.
Board Office

*** Minutes***

Present: David Giordano, John Green, Thomas Herrera (staff), Yolanda Brown, Mahfuzur Rahman, Malik McCullough, Jason Villanueva

Excused: Elsie Encarnacion, Lilybelle Gonzalez, Jada Heredia, Shawn Smith

Guests: Paul Dawkins, NYSOM; Raul Soto; Janine Douglass Parks; Diane Malikah; Moomin Pinkston; Adomako

1. Call to Order– Adoption of the Agenda

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Vice-committee chair Yolanda Brown

2. Presentations & Discussions

   a. Discussion on committee planning and outlook for 2019

   The committee discussed and planned out the work for the outlook of 2019. The committee came to a consensus that it would reach out to the district to see which needs are able to be met and which needs are of greater scale. The committee will be reaching out to the School Construction Authority and the Division of School Facilities in order to understand the process more. The hopes of this endeavor is to ensure that the committee focuses on major capital project needs and to work with schools to help focus their budgets to mitigate issues that might arise.

   The conversation of the Youth Council will be held the following month.

3. Old Business
b. Assistant District Manager, Thomas Herrera, reported to the committee that he had met with the administration of Mosaic Preparatory to discuss the concerns of the school regarding the needle exchange program, which is carried out by the New York Harm Reduction Educators (NYRHE). The school expressed that they wish that the community board would take a strong position in support of against the drop off since it has become a safety hazard for the students, the staff and parents of the students. David Giordano expressed that he will raise this concern at the Executive Committee so that a clear action can be taken.

4. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:54 pm