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Nilsa Orama
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Angel D. Mescain
District Manager

Full Board Meeting
Tuesday, February 20, 2018, 6:30 p.m.
DREAM Charter School
1991 Second Avenue

*** Minutes ***

Members Present (33):

Jose Altamirano
Adem Brija
Yolanda Brown
Diane Collier
Carlos Diaz
Holley Drakeford
Melanee Farrah
Judith Febraro
Henry Flores
David Giordano
Joseph Goldbloom
John Green
La Shawn Henry
Erica Jones
Amie Kiros-Petrucci
Alex Kohen
Adriane Mack
Marissa Mack
Edwin Marcial
Frances Mastrota
Jeffrey Monteiro
Nilsa Orama
Robert Perkins
Mahfuzur Rahman
Celia Ramirez
Xavier Santiago
Ryan Sheffield
Shawn Smith
Shantal Sparks
Vincent Torres
Jason Villanueva
Jonathan Winstone

Members Marked Present
but Arriving Late (2):

Jarquay Abdullah
Jeremiah Schlotman

Members Marked Present
but Departing Early (1):

Emily Grajales

Excused (7):

Elsie Encarnacion
Lilybelle Gonzalez
Jean-Pierre Kamwa
Tabatha Lozano
Stephen Villanueva
Candy Vives-Vasquez
Jesse Yang

Absent (2)

Manuel Rivera
Chandra Smith

Elected Officials:

Jessica Reynoso
(Public Advocate's office)

Sandy Navas
(St. Sen. Benjamin's office)

Gabriel Hernandez
(Assemblymember
Rodriguez' office)

Terrell Brock
(St. Sen. Serrano's office)

Stephanie Arroyo
(Councilmember Ayala's
office)

Yissely Ortiz
(Manhattan Borough
President's Office)

Madai Velez
(Manhattan District
Attorney)

Guests:

Taina Traverso
Wendy Ferreira
Clarisa Alayeto
Ronnie Kennedy
Paul Dawkins
J. Gould
Terri Saucier
Anne Kadamani
Ana Chireno
Jessica Morris
Christian Cayon
Christopher Smith
Rick Rollins
Martina Garcia
Yissely Ortiz
Jenny Tromski
Rev. Johnson
Evelyn Murrell
Ydarian Castillo
Marion Koorndyk
Nydia Santiago-Colon
Michael S. Lopez
Azaleah Peterson
William Smith
Tori Curbelo
Jeff Turnbough
Susana Turnbough
Sharrod Fredericks
Barbara Oliver
Rafael Moure
Robin Strashun
Fabrice Armand
Noel Alicea
William Smith

I. Call to Order

- a. Nilsa Orama called the meeting to order at 6:43 PM. She introduced the pre-registered speakers.

II. Public Session

a. Pre-Registered Speakers

- i. Barbara Oliver, League of Women Voters - The speaker discussed voting advocacy efforts and voting efforts in NYC.
- ii. Rafael Moure, Harlem Community Justice Center - The speaker discussed resources available to the community at the Center for residents of the 10035 and 10037 zip codes.
- iii. Evelyn Murrell - The speaker addressed some concerns affecting the East Harlem community.
- iv. Ydarian Castillo, Civilian Complaint Review Board - The speaker discussed the CCRB and announced a local event to increase community awareness about the CCRB
- v. Robin Strashun, Search & Care - The speaker discussed new neighborhood programs, including a senior-teen event for which the organization is seeking 16 to 18-year-old teenagers to participate
- vi. Fabrice Armand, NYC Department of Correction - The speaker announced full-time opportunities as well as paid internship opportunities at the Department of Correction and provided other information regarding the department.
- vii. Noel Alicea, Metropolitan Hospital - The speaker shared that Metropolitan Hospital had a Know Your Rights Forum at the hospital with the Mayor's office of Immigrant's Affairs and that they now have new dialysis equipment at the hospital.
- viii. William Smith, Spectrum Local 3 - The speaker addressed concerns about Spectrum's internet services and concerns by employees and encouraged residents to consider alternative service providers.

b. Elected Officials and Agency Representatives

- i. Terrell Brock, Office of New York State Senator Jose Serrano
- ii. Sandy Navas, Office of New York State Senator Brian Benjamin
- iii. Gabriel Hernandez, Office of New York State Assemblyman Robert Rodriguez
- iv. Jessica Reynoso, Office of New York City Public Advocate Letitia James
- v. Stephanie Arroyo, Office of New York City Councilmember Diana Ayala
- vi. Yissely Ortiz, Office of the Manhattan Borough President

c. Public Hearing on Preliminary NYC Budget

- i. No speakers registered to speak and, upon being called, no speakers sought to address the Board.

III. Business Session

a. Roll Call

- i. The roll was conducted at 7:23 PM. A quorum of the body was present and attendance is as indicated in these minutes.

b. Adoption of the Agenda

- i. **Motion:** A motion to adopt the as-distributed agenda was made by Vincent Torres and seconded by Holley Drakeford. The motion to approve passed unanimously by voice vote.
- c. Approval of the Board Minutes
 - i. **Motion:** A motion to adopt the as-distributed minutes of the full board meeting from January 16, 2018 was made by Jonathan Winstone and seconded by Robert Perkins. The motion to approve passed unanimously by voice vote.
- d. Chair's Report
 - i. **Motion:** A motion to adopt the report of the Chair of CB11 as-distributed and upon presentation was made by Edwin Marcial and seconded by Amie-Kiros Petrucci. The motion to approve passed unanimously by voice vote.
- e. District Manager's Report
 - i. **Motion:** A motion to adopt the report of the District Manager of CB11 as-distributed and upon presentation was made by Jarquay Abdullah and seconded by Melanee Farrah. The motion to approve passed unanimously by voice vote.
- f. Officer Reports
 - i. Xavier Santiago provided an informational update.
 - ii. Alex Kohen discussed absenteeism and the conflicts of interest statement, each as-distributed.
 - iii. Marissa Mack provided her Treasurer's report, noting efforts to address sponsorship funding and discretionary funds.
 - iv. **Motion:** A motion to adopt the report of (I) the Vice-Chair as presented, (II) the Secretary, including as-distributed and as presented, and (III) the Treasurer of CB11 as-distributed and as presented was made by Frances Mastrota and seconded by Adriane Mack. The motion to approve passed unanimously by voice vote.
- g. Committee Reports and Action Items
 - i. Licenses & Permits
 - 1. Liquor Licenses
 - a. El Nuevo Caribeño Restaurant Inc.
 - i. Applicant sought a New liquor license application for the business located at 1675 Lexington Avenue, New York, New York 10029.
 - ii. **Motion:** A motion to approve the New application for a Full Liquor License for the restaurant located at 1675 Lexington Avenue, New York, New York 10029 was made by Celia Ramirez and seconded by Melanee Farrah. The motion to approve passed unanimously by voice vote.
 - b. AZK Restaurant, d/b/a Three Guys Restaurant, LL # 1028167
 - i. Applicant sought a Renewal application of Full Liquor License for the business located at 49 East 96th Street, New York, New York 10128.
 - ii. **Motion:** A motion to approve the Renewal for a Full Liquor License for the applicant with liquor license #1028167 was made by Diane Collier and seconded by Ryan Sheffield. The motion to approve passed unanimously by voice vote.
 - c. Brownstoner Projects LLC, LL # 1242462, 63, 64 & 1252906, 07, 08

- i. Applicant sought a Renewal application of a Wine, Beer & Cider License for the business located at the Central Park Rumsey Playfield at 72nd Street, New York, New York 10065.
- ii. **Motion:** A motion to approve the Renewal for a Wine, Beer & Cider License for the applicant with liquor license # 1242462, -63, -64, 1252906, -07, and -08 was made by Frances Mastrota and seconded by Edwin Marcial. The motion to approve passed unanimously by voice vote.
- d. Populace Inc., d/b/a Camaradas El Barrio, LL # 1259089
 - i. Applicant sought a Renewal application of Full Liquor License for the business located at 2241 First Avenue, New York, New York 10029.
 - ii. **Motion:** A motion to approve the Renewal for a Full Liquor License for the applicant with liquor license #1259089 was made by Melanee Farrah and seconded by Shantal Sparks. The motion to approve passed unanimously by voice vote.
- e. Gracious Thyme Inc., d/b/a Gracious Thyme, LL # 1277274
 - i. Applicant sought a Renewal application of Full Liquor License for the business located at 2191 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10035.
 - ii. **Motion:** A motion to approve the Renewal for a Full Liquor License for the applicant with liquor license #1277274 was made by Frances Mastrota and seconded by Celia Ramirez. The motion to approve passed unanimously by voice vote.

2. Street Activity Permits

- a. New York State of Mind Easter Eggstravaganza 2018
Single Block Festival # 388222
March 31, 2018,
10:30 AM to 5 PM, including set up and break down
East 117th Street between 1st and Pleasant Avenues
Applicant: Paul Dawkins
Sponsor: FJC
 - i. **Motion:** A motion to approve the single block festival permit # 388222 was made by Celia Ramirez and seconded by Mahfuzur Rahman. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
- b. Boriken Neighborhood Health Center Health Fair – Health Fair # 387448
July 14, 2018, 7 AM to 6 PM, including set up and break down
East 123rd Street between 2nd and 3rd Avenues
Applicant: Linda Gomez
Sponsor: EHCHS Boriken Neighborhood Health Center
 - i. **Motion:** A motion to approve a half street closure to share with “PSA5” for Health Fair # 387448 was made by Henry Flores and seconded by Yolanda Brown. The motion passed by voice vote. Mahfuzur Rahman was “Present, Not Voting”.

- c. 2018 Harlem Skyscraper Cycling Class – Single Block Festival # 389056
June 17, 2018 – 7 AM to 5 PM, including set up and break down
Mount Morris Park West between West 120th and 124th Streets
Applicant: Richard Cox
Sponsor: Team Unity Incorporated
- i. **Motion:** A motion to approve the single block festival permit # 389056 was made by Frances Mastrota and seconded by Ryan Sheffield. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
- d. El Barrio Family Day Health Fair Festival – Single Block Festival # 388752
May 5, 2018 – 8 AM to 8 PM, including set up and break down
East 106th Street between 3rd and Lexington Avenues
Applicant: Martina Garcia
Sponsor: Hispanic Community Organization for Life
- i. **Motion:** A motion to approve the single block festival permit # 388752 was made by Adriane Mack and seconded by John Green. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
- e. Sunshine Carnival – Street Festival # 387992
March 30, 2018 through April 9, 2018, 10 AM to 10 PM
East 109th Street between 2nd and 3rd Avenues
Applicant: Juan Ramos
Sponsor: Sunshine Sports Club
- i. **Motion:** A motion to approve the street festival permit # 387992 was made by Celia Ramirez and seconded by Vincent Torres. The motion passed by voice vote. Edwin Marcial was “Present, Not Voting”.
- f. Carnaval Aguadillano – Street Event # 383935
August 3, 2018 through August 5, 2018 – 10 AM to 8 PM
East 116th Street between 2nd and Lexington Avenues
Applicant: Edwin Marcial
Sponsor: Teatro Moderno Puertoriqueno
- i. **Motion:** A motion to approve the street event permit # 383935 was made by Jose Altamirano and seconded by Holley Drakeford. The motion passed by voice vote. Edwin Marcial was “Present, Not Voting”.
- g. Cinco de Mayo – Single Block Festival # 388178
May 5, 2018 – 9 AM to 8 PM, including set up and break down
East 109th Street between 2nd and 3rd Avenues
Applicant: Edwin Marcial
Sponsor: Teatro Moderno Puertoriqueno
- i. **Motion:** A motion to approve the street event permit # 388178 was made by Celia Ramirez and seconded by Ryan Sheffield. The motion passed by voice vote. Edwin Marcial was “Present, Not Voting”.
- h. Union Settlement Ethnic Festival – Single Block Festival # 391118
May 19, 2018 – 8 AM to 6 PM, including set up and break down
East 104th Street between 2nd and 3rd Avenues

Applicant: Laura Johnson

Sponsor: Union Settlement Association

- i. **Motion:** A motion to approve the single block festival permit # 391118 was made by Frances Mastrota and seconded by Adriane Mack. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
- i. 5 de Mayo at La Villa del Barrio – Single Block Festival # 378525
May 5, 2018 – 11 AM to 7 PM, including set up and break down
East 116th Street between 2nd and 3rd Avenues

Applicant: Pablo Guzman

Sponsor: Union Settlement

- i. **Motion:** A motion to approve the single block festival permit # 378525 was made by Diane Collier and seconded by Celia Ramirez. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

h. Environment, Open Space & Parks

- i. **Motion:** A motion—to approve the issuance of a letter of support for the Randall’s Island Park Alliance’s (“RIPA”) application to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation for an Environmental Justice Grant (in favor of the \$450,000 grant share) for the design and construction of the urban Environmental Education Center to be located in the Old Brick House Building on Randall’s island and such letter being addressed to Aimee Boden, Executive Director of RIPA—was made by Jason Monteiro and seconded by Carlos Diaz. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

i. Approval of Committee Reports

- i. **Motion:** A motion to adopt the minutes of all other committees of CB11 as-distributed, with the addition of the Health committee minutes, reflecting Adriane Mack as present, and Youth and Education minutes, reflecting that Chandra Smith was excused and not absent, was made by Adriane Mack and seconded by Jonathan Winstone. The motion to approve passed unanimously by voice vote.

j. Old Business.

- i. None

k. New Business

- i. Vincent Torres provided an update on resolution passed by CB11 on August 17, 2017 expressing opposition to Intro 1447-A (the proposed “Construction Safety” bill). Vincent Torres expressed a desire to follow-up on the previous resolution.
 1. **Motion:** A motion to reaffirm our original position that Intro 1447A, which is now Law 196, that we make sure that DOB and other city agencies understand that this will be hurtful and detrimental to our communities to communities like ours was made by Lashawn Henry and seconded by Celia Ramirez. The motion to approve passed by voice vote. Joseph Goldbloom was “Present, Not Voting”.
- ii. District Manager Angel Mescain noted upcoming meetings, including the City Council hearings on the preliminary budget and the March CB11 full board meeting
- iii. Amie Kiros-Petrucci announced an opening of her new restaurant.
- iv. Jason Villaneuva noted that written testimony for the statement of district needs was being solicited and none was yet provided.
- v. Diane Collier noted that Jean-Pierre Kamwa was recovering in a hospital.

- vi. Mahfuzar Rahman noted that Ray Ferreira was also recovering in a hospital
- 1. Adjournment
 - i. **Motion:** A motion to adjourn the meeting of CB11 was made by John Green and seconded by Amie Kiros-Petrucci. The motion to adjourn passed unanimously by voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 9:21 PM.

Minutes prepared by: Alex Kohen, Secretary

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