

**BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD 6
GENERAL BOARD MEETING
COMMUNITY BOARD 6
250 BALTIC STREET**

JANUARY 13, 2010

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT:

T. ALEXANDER
J. BERNARD
P. FLEMING
Y. GIRELA
G. KELLY
B. LESTER
A. McKNIGHT
A.A. PUGLIESE
D. SCOTTO
E. SPICER
D.C. VITO

B. ATKINS
S. BURZIO
J.C. FOULKE
D. GIULIANO
D. KUMMER
R. LOHIER
T.L. MISKEL
Y. ROMAN
M. SHAMES
S. TURET
R. ZUCKERMAN

R.S. BASHNER
J. DRESSLER
B.GINSBERG
R. GRAHAM
D. LALLI
R. LUFTGLASS
G. O'CONNELL
M. SCOTT
L. SONES
M. VERRET

EXCUSED:

L. CIRANDO
M. RUIZ

E. FELDER
C. MOLINARI

R. LEVINE

ABSENT:

D. BUSCARELLO
J. IGNERI
M. RECA-HEYER
V. TWYFORD

S. COLES
T. KAMBER
D. REISS

N. HEYWARD
M. KOLMAN
J. THOMPSON

GUESTS:

H. REICHBACH, CITY COUNCIL MEMBER LEVIN'S REPRESENTATIVE
M. CURTIN, CITY COUNCIL MEMBER LANDER'S REPRESENTATIVE
A. SCHAETZEL, STATE ASSEMBLY MEMBER BRENNAN'S REPRESENTATIVE
T. SMITH, STATE ASSEMBLY MEMBER MILLMAN'S REPRESENTATIVE
A. RAMOS, STATE SENATOR MONTGOMERY'S REPRESENTATIVE
D. WILEY, CONGRESS MEMBER VELÁZQUEZ REPRESENTATIVE

(Complete list of meeting attendees on file at the District Office.)
Chairperson Richard S. Bashner called the meeting to order at 6:50 pm.

❖ M I N U T E S ❖

CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT.....RICHARD S. BASHNER

Chairperson Richard S. Bashner began his report by reporting to the Board that we have a new Board Member who was appointed just before the end of the year, Jordan Dressler of Cobble Hill, who is filling a slot for the 33rd Council District. Jordan brings our grand total of board members up to 47. All three current vacancies are slots for the 39th Council District now occupied by Council Member Lander.

Chairperson Bashner announced to the Board that Board Member Stephen Burzio has agreed to Chair our Community Development Committee, a position that became vacant when Board Member Lander stepped down from the Board. I’d like to thank him for stepping up his commitment to the community board, and look forward to working more closely with him.

Chairperson Bashner informed the Board that there’s been no final word yet from either the Mayor’s Office or the City Council on the state of our budget but the Mayor has previously announced, in his November budget plan, that he was including more budget cuts for the community boards. This time he included an additional 4% this fiscal year (2010), and 8% next fiscal year (2011). While the City Council is expected to consider this in January, and decide where restorations can and should be made, our budget situation seems to grow dimmer and dimmer with each subsequent announcement by the Mayor. Both our incoming City Council Members are aware of our interest in this, and have each pledged to help us to the extent possible and we are grateful for their support in this vital area.

Chairperson Bashner introduced Jamarah Harris our new liaison from the Mayor’s Office taking the place of Carolyn Sanders-James. She is the Director of Policy and Initiatives for the Mayor’s Community Affairs Unit. Ms. Harris is a Brooklyn resident who will be covering CB’s 2 and 6, and has worked very closely with our District Manager who has nothing but nice things to say about her. I look forward to getting to know her, and encourage our Board Members to introduce themselves to her individually so that she can get to know us too.

Chairperson Bashner ended his report by congratulating our District Manager, Craig Hammerman, on two major recent accomplishments – one professional and one personal. On the professional side, District Manager Hammerman just celebrated his 20th anniversary working for Brooklyn Community Board 6 on January 8th. On the personal side, he just returned from a brief post-New Years vacation to Las Vegas, Nevada where he and his long-time fiancée Elizabeth McAloon were married.

DISTRICT MANAGER’S REPORT.....CRAIG HAMMERMAN

District Manager Craig Hammerman began his report by updating the Board about several street closures associated with the Atlantic Yards Development. It is anticipated that beginning on or around Monday, February 1, 2010, the following streets in Brooklyn will be permanently closed:

- ❖ 5th Avenue (between Flatbush & Atlantic Avenues)
- ❖ Pacific Street (between 5th & 6th Avenues)
- ❖ Pacific Street (between Vanderbilt & Carlton Avenues)

Local and emergency vehicle access will be maintained as needed.

These streets are being closed to accommodate the Atlantic Yards project. Northbound traffic on 5th Avenue can use Flatbush Avenue or 6th Avenue to continue north; southbound traffic can use 6th Avenue. Eastbound traffic on Pacific Street can use Dean Street; westbound traffic can use Bergen Street. To facilitate vehicle circulation, 6th Avenue (between Flatbush Avenue & Pacific Street) and the block of Carlton Avenue (between Dean & Pacific Streets) will become two-way. These changes necessitate the removal of the Cobble Hill B63 bus stop on 5th Avenue, between Pacific Street & Atlantic Avenue. Passengers can use the existing bus stops on 5th Avenue (at Bergen Street) and on Atlantic Avenue (at 4th Avenue). For a copy of the announcement with map please go to our website at <http://www.brooklyn6.org/announcements/#12>.

District Manager Hammerman reported to the Board that as a follow-up to a service related complaint brought to our attention by Board Member Betty Lester at last months meeting in regards to the Time Warner cable boxes that are not being maintained on the exterior of the buildings at the Gowanus Houses; District Manager Leroy Branch set up a site visit with Time Warner and a representative of Gowanus Houses to address the issue. Apparently, cable wires were not secured and were hanging inappropriately on all of the buildings. Also, squirrels were nesting in the boxes since they were not secured or closed. Time Warner has agreed with the approval of Gowanus Houses to remove all the cable wires for the exterior and secure them safely in the interior of the buildings. This process should begin by January 25th. We have asked Time Warner to keep us advised on the progress of the work.

District Manager Hammerman has informed the Board that the District Office will be closed on January 18th in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

District Manager Hammerman advised that Board that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is hosting a public information meeting to discuss community involvement tools available for the Gowanus Canal Site, i.e.; formation of a Community Advisory Group, Technical Assistance Grant, and Technical Assistance Services for Communities. The meeting will be held on January 21st at P.S. 32. For more information please contact Natalie Loney at 212-637-3639 or Christos Tsiamis at 212-637-4257.

District Manager Hammerman announced that the Department of Parks and Recreation is now recruiting for lifeguards. All candidates are tested by Parks' Lifeguard School to ensure that they meet high standards. In order to qualify for the training you must:

- Be able to swim 50 yards in 35 seconds with proper form.
- Have a minimum of 20/30 vision in one eye and 20/40 in the other without corrective lenses.
- Be at least 16 years old when the position begins.

Anyone interested should call 311 or go to their website at www.nyc.gov/parks.

District Manager Hammerman advised the Board that the Department of Buildings (DOB) has advised us of emergency conditions at 701 Union Street. This building was inspected 12/26 and was declared unsafe. DOB has informed the property owner that the premise has to be made safe by repair, sealing or whatever means necessary to protect the public safety.

District Manager Hammerman ended his reported by informing the Board that the Department of Transportation has determine that a speed hump on Van Brunt Street between Coffee and Van Dyke Streets is unsuitable because Van Brunt Street is a bus and truck route which disqualifies it automatically.

Chairperson Bashner then read a proclamation for District Manager Hammerman from Congresswomen Yvette Clark on his 20 Anniversary working for Brooklyn Community Board 6.

Chairperson Bashner recognized the representatives of the elected officials.

Luke DePalma, representing Borough President Marty Markowitz reminded everyone that they should have received their reappointment letters for those Board Members whose term was up and if you have not please call him at Borough Hall. He also read a proclamation from the Borough President honoring District Manager Hammerman on his 20th anniversary.

Ann Schaetzel, representing State Assembly Member James Brennan also congratulated District Manager Hammerman on his 20th anniversary working for Community Board 6. She also presented him with a proclamation from the Assemblyman.

Dan Wiley, representing Congresswoman Nydia Velázquez, further congratulated District Manager Hammerman on his 20th anniversary. He stated that the Congresswoman was in support of H.R. 3962, the Affordable Health Care for America Act because for too long, millions of Americans have suffered without access to the medical treatment they need. The Congresswomen also introduced H.R. 4321, the “Comprehensive Immigration Reform for America’s Security and Prosperity” (CIR ASAP) Act. This legislation accomplishes three goals fundamental to reform: increased national security, economic stability and family unity.

Kevin Alexander, representing State Senator Eric Adams encouraged everyone to participate in the 2010 Census. He stated that census information is very important because it affects the numbers of seats your state occupies in the U.S. House of Representatives. An accurate count of residents can have a positive effect on your community. In fact, the information the census collects helps to determine how more than \$400 billion dollars of federal funding each year is spent on infrastructure and services like: Hospitals, Job training centers, Schools, Senior centers, Bridges, tunnels and other-public works projects, and Emergency services. He then read a proclamation on behave of the Senator for District manager Hammerman.

❖ADOPTION OF MINUTES❖

Board Member Lou Sones made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Board Member Thomas Miskel.

VOTE: 30 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
TIME: 7:07 P.M.

❖❖❖COMMITTEE REPORTS❖❖❖

LANDMARKS/LAND USE COMMITTEE.....ROBERT LEVINE, LANDMARKS CHAIR
.....PETER FLEMING, LAND USE CHAIR

Land Use Committee Chairperson Peter Fleming reported to the Board that the committee reviewed the legalization of previously issued building permits to allow the completion of a development consisting of a seven-story mixed use building and 11 separate, four-story townhouses at 340 Court Street, 283-291 Union Street and 292-298 Sackett Street

Motion: by Committee;
Recommendation to approve applications submitted to the Board of Standards and Appeals (BSA Cal. Nos. 312-09-A thru 323-09-A) on behalf of 340 CS Holdings, LLC, for the legalization of previously issued building permits before the effective date of a map change to Zoning Maps 16a and 16c, which rezoned the subject premises from R6/C1-3 and R6 to R6A/C2-4 and R6B, and to allow the completion of a development consisting of a seven-story mixed use building and 11 separate, four-story townhouses at 340 Court Street, 283-291 Union Street and 292-298 Sackett Street (Block 339, Lot 19).

Board Member Mark Shames stated that he voted to abstain at the committee meeting because he believes that this board does not have the expertise to determine whether or not a project is vested.

VOTE: 30 YEAS, 0 NAY, 2 ABSTENTIONS

MOTION PASSED

TIME: 7:10 P.M.

Chairperson Bashner relinquished the Chair to 1st Vice-Chairperson Raymond Lohier stating that his children attend the school that will be voted on next.

Land Use Committee Chairperson Fleming also reported to the Board that the committee reviewed a Certificate of Appropriateness application for proposed alterations to The Berkeley Carroll School at 181 Lincoln Place.

Motion: by Committee;
Recommendation to approve a Certificate of Appropriateness application submitted to the Landmarks Preservation Commission for proposed alterations to The Berkeley Carroll School at 181 Lincoln Place (between 7th/8th Avenues), Park Slope Historic District.

Board Member Glenn Kelly stated that he objects to the fact that the school has systematically built out the entire back yard. They have removed remove what ever landmark characteristics existed on the back of the gymnasium building and they have completely filled in the back yard. This has been a concern of the committee in the past and it is for him now. He would not want this to happen in his backyard.

Board Member Lester spoke in favor of the motion stating that the school has been working with the community and seems to have tried to compromise with them.

Board Member Derrick Vito asked why the school wanted to build in the back yard. Land Use Committee Chairperson Fleming stated that they needed more space.

Board Member Jordan Dressler asked if in the past if there have been votes against landmark appropriateness in backyards not visible from the street. Land Use Committee Chairperson Fleming stated that in the past the committee had exclusively considered only things that were visible from the street. But in the past 5 years the committee has become attuned to what people in the donut see and we now use it when we make a decision.

Board Member Sones spoke in favor of the motion stating that since this is a landmarks issue and if this project fits into the landmarks standards then we should approve.

Board Member Joanne Foulke asked if the neighbors will be able to see the gym. Land Use Committee Chairperson Fleming stated that they will be able to see only some parts of the gym. The neighbors on St. Johns Place will longer be able to see the gym. She further asked, isn't one of the things we should be deciding on is protecting the site view of the neighbors on landmark buildings. District Manager Hammerman stated that it is his understanding that we only have to consider public view point not private view points.

Board Member Terrence Alexander asked if there were any neighbors who were against this project and what were their concerns. Land Use Committee Chairperson Fleming stated that there were individuals at the meeting who were against that they were concerned about blocking their private view and the play yard area.

Board Member Richard Bashner spoke in favor of the motion commending the Berkeley Carroll School for working with the community and compromising on some issues and changing there plan to address some of the community concerns. This is a landmarks issue not a land use issue; we should only be concerned with what it looks like. From the St. Johns side the building will look the same and their properties will not be disturbed at all. The views will be the same except for a wall that will be 31/2 feet taller and a fence that will be built. Also all of the mechanical that have been a problem in the past because of noise has been placed inside or further away from the neighbors so they won't be a problem anymore. As far as Lincoln Place they have always had some view of the playground but he does not consider them as part of the donut. He understands the concerns of the Lincoln Place neighbors, because they once saw the playground now they will see a wall but the merits of this project far outweigh that particular disadvantage and while it is unfortunate the school has done every thing possible to come up with a balance proposal that integrates as many of the concerns as possible for all of the neighbors and the uses of the school.

1st Vice-Chairperson Lohier recognized all of our districts City Council Members.

Councilmember's Steven Levin, Sara Gonzalez and Brad Lander congratulated District Manager Hammerman on his 20th anniversary and presented him with a joint proclamation.

Councilmember Lander informed the Board that his district office will be located at 456 5th Avenue between 9th and 10th Streets. His telephone number is 718-499-1090. He introduced Jonah Blumstein a member of his staff and stated that Michael Curtain will be representing his office at the Board meetings. He updated the Board on a few issues: The tarp came off the salt pile on the piers at Columbia Street. He is setting up a meeting with American Stevedore to make sure this does not happen again. On Monday the Park Slope Armory opened and school kids are using it. The "Y" is trying hard to implement various ways for the community to use the facility. He is trying to set up a community meeting with the Hannah Senesh Community Day School to discuss the communities concerns about their plans to expand. He ended by encouraging individuals to join Community Board 6 board.

Councilmember Levin introduced Hope Rypatch and Robby Metal to of his staff members and he informed the board that his district office would be located at 373 Atlantic Avenue between Hoyt and Bond Streets. His telephone number is 718-875-5200.

VOTE: 32 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSTENTION
MOTION PASSED
TIME: 8:19 P.M.

Landmarks Committee Chairperson Robert Levine further reported to the Board that the committee reviewed a Certificate of Appropriateness application for alterations to the first floor rear façade including

construction of an open porch, spiral stair and railings and the conversion of a window into a door at 800 Carroll Street.

Motion: by Committee;
Recommendation anticipated on a Certificate of Appropriateness application submitted to the Landmarks Preservation Commission for alterations to the first floor rear façade including construction of an open porch, spiral stair and railings and the conversion of a window into a door at 800 Carroll Street (between 7th/8th Avenues), Park Slope Historic District with the following condition: That the neighbor be informed of the LPC Hearing

VOTE: 32 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
TIME: 8:23 P.M.

Landmarks Committee Chairperson Robert Levine additionally reported to the Board that the committee reviewed a Certificate of Appropriateness application for the addition of signage at the Poly Prep Lower School at 50 Prospect Park West.

Motion: by Committee;
Recommendation to disapprove a Certificate of Appropriateness application submitted to the Landmarks Preservation Commission for the addition of signage at the Poly Prep Lower School at 50 Prospect Park West (southwest corner 1st Street/Prospect Park West), Park Slope Historic District.

Board Member Barbara Ginsberg asked where the signs would be located. Landmarks Committee Chair Levine explained the location of the signs in detail.

Board Member Sones spoke in favor of the motion stating that the signs are very big and that more community input should have been sought.

Board Member Benjamin Atkins spoke in favor of the motion and agreed with Board Member Sones that the community should have input on this alteration.

VOTE: 32 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
TIME: 8:29 P.M.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE.....JOANNE C. FOULKE, CO-CHAIR
.....THOMAS L. MISKEL, CO-CHAIR

Transportation Co-Chairperson Joanne Foulke reported to the Board that the committee reviewed various co-namings of intersections in our district: co-naming of the intersection of Richards/Seabring Streets as “Seven in Heaven Street;” co-naming of the intersection of Lorraine/Smith Streets as “Henderson-Regenhard Way;” and, co-naming of the intersection of Lorraine/Hamilton Avenue as “Red Hook Heroes Run.”

Motion: by Committee;
Recommendation to approve the co-naming of the following intersections in

memory of fallen firefighters:

- Richards/Seabring Streets as “Seven in Heaven Street”
- Lorraine/Smith Streets as “Henderson-Regenhard Way”
- Lorraine/Hamilton Avenue as “Red Hook Heroes Run”

Public Safety Chair Raymond Lohier spoke in favor of all of the co-namings stating that it would be a fine tribute to our fallen heroes. Other members echoed this sentiment and agreed. Chairperson Bashner on behalf of Board Member Daniel Kummer requested a moment of silence in memory of the firefighters.

VOTE: 31 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 7:24 P.M.

Transportation Co-Chairperson Foulke also reported to the Board that the Committee reviewed the co-naming of the intersection of the corner of Carroll and Henry Streets as “Mary D’Angelo’s Corner” the former school crossing guard who worked that intersection for many years.

Motion: by Committee;
Recommendation to approve the co-naming of the intersection of the corner of Carroll and Henry Streets as “Mary D’Angelo’s Corner.”

Public Safety Chair Lohier spoke in favor of the co-naming stating that crossing guards play an integral part in the safety of our children and that this is an outstanding recommendation.

VOTE: 31 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

Transportation Co-Chairperson Foulke further reported to the Board that the Committee reviewed the co-naming of 3rd Avenue between 10th/11th Streets as “Arthur P. Esposito Way.”

Motion: by Committee;
Recommendation to approve the co-naming of 3rd Avenue between 10th/11th Streets as “Arthur P. Esposito Way.”

Board Member Judith Thompson spoke in favor of the motion stating that co-naming streets makes the community more vibrant.

Board Member Lou Sones spoke highly in favor of the motion.

Board Member Monique Verret asked what he did for the community. Transportation Co-Chair Foulke stated that he was a very kind and brave individual who was the captain high school basketball team.

Board Member Betty Lester asked if he had lived on the block his entire life. Transportation Co-Chair Foulke stated that he lived there for 28 years.

Board Member David Reiss asked what had been the Board’s recommendations in the past with respect to street co-namings. Chairperson Bashner stated that the Board usually follows the recommendations of the

Transportation Committee and that the committee usually recommends in favor for someone who is usually more involved in the community.

Board Member Terrence Alexander stated that he was in favor of co-naming streets after public servants, i.e., firefighters, but finds that there is not enough information to support this motion.

Motion: by Board Member Terrence Alexander seconded by Board Member Nica Lalli;
Recommendation to recommit to Transportation Committee for further consideration.

VOTE: 25 YEAS, 7 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS

MOTION PASSED

TIME: 7:38 P.M.

Chairperson Bashner recognized Dan Wiley and Board Member, soon-to-be Council Member, Brad Lander.

Dan Wiley, Congresswoman Nydia Velázquez’ representative, stated that the Congresswoman has unveiled legislation to provide New York City’s public housing residents with the training and certification needed to secure new jobs. As the City’s unemployment rate remains above 10 percent, the Congresswoman is helping New Yorkers find work in home healthcare services. He ended by stating that the money for the Sponge Park was signed into law and secured.

Board Member Lander stated that this would be his last Board meeting since he would be beginning his new position as Council Member of the 39th District. He stated that it was an honor for him to serve on the Board and he thanked everyone for supporting him in his endeavors. He encouraged everyone to participate in the January 23, 2010 EPA Superfund meeting regarding the Gowanus Canal. He ended by stating that he was looking forward to continuing to work with the Board in his new position as Council Member.

PARKS/RECREATION/CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.....NICA LALLI, CHAIR

Parks Chairperson Nica Lalli reported to the Board that the Committee discussed the Prospect Park YMCA fee schedule for the Park Slope Armory Recreation and Athletic Center.

Motion: by Raymond Lohier, seconded by Suzanne Turet;
Recommendation that the Prospect Park YMCA offer a wide fee schedule in making the Park Slope Armory Recreation and Athletic Center accessible to accommodate as many of the segments of the community as possible.

Board Member Robert Zuckerman asked if there was a difference between the YMCA fee schedule and a sliding scale. Chairperson Bashner stated that the difference is that a sliding scale sets different fees based on ability to pay, some pay more, some pay less, while the YMCA fee schedule is pricing for different programs offered.

Board Member Glenn Kelly stated that the committee wanted to find ways to offer different fees to charge to enter the facility in order to bolster daily attendance at the facility.

Board Member Thomas Miskel stated that as a member of the Community Advisory Board, they will be monitoring the YMCA's fee schedules. He believes that we should encourage the YMCA as to their fee schedules, but should not tell them what to charge because we should not be telling private organizations how to run their businesses.

Chairperson Bashner stated that although it is a private organization, since the facility was renovated with public funds and will continue to remain a public facility run by the YMCA, we should be giving them recommendations on all aspects of the facility.

Board Member Suzanne Verret believes that since the City invested so much money into this facility, that we should come up with a list of priorities and share them with the YMCA.

Board Member David Reiss stated that we should be addressing these issues with the city agencies involved not with the management organization.

Board Member Robert Levine stated that we should not be telling the YMCA what to do with this facility, but because it was a facility renovated with public funds, we should emphasize to the YMCA that there are special needs in the community that they will need to address.

Board Member Brad Lander spoke in favor of the motion but feels we need to examine this issue in greater depth.

Board Member Robert Levine stated that we should include in this motion a request to the City Council that they ask the Department of Education to allocate monies to this facility as they have promised in the past. Parks Chairperson Nica Lalli suggested the request should be a separate motion.

VOTE: 29 YEAS, 3 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS
MOTION PASSED
TIME: 8:10 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.....RICHARD S. BASHNER CHAIR
FINANCE/PERSONNEL AND LAW COMMITTEE..... DAVID REISS CHAIR

Daniel Kummer, Executive Committee Member, reported to the Board that the committees reviewed the revisions to Liquor License review protocols.

Motion: by Committee;
Recommendation to accept the proposed CB6 Liquor License application review protocols.

Board Member Robert Levine asked how an applicant would know about the 45-day rule to notify the Community Board. Executive Committee Member Kummer, stated that it would be posted on our website as well as the district office will notify the few law firms that handle the majority of the applications in our district.

Board Member Anthony Pugliese asked if the neighbors of the proposed establishment will have an opportunity to have input in this process. District Manager Hammerman stated that they will, in the same way the applicant has to notify their neighbors (500-ft rule) for land use applications.

Board Member Kelly spoke in favor of the motion and suggested we change the wording in the Committee/Full Board Review Section from approved unanimously to approve by 2/3 of the committee. Executive Committee Member Kummer accepted this change as a friendly amendment.

Board Member Sones asked if this policy applies to beer/wine licenses. At this time if it is a restaurant that only has a beer/wine license we will not review unless there are complaints lodged against the establishment. Chairperson Bashner stated that he ask Permits/Licenses Chairperson Kummer to examine this issue in his committee.

Public Safety Chair Lohier spoke in favor of the motion, acknowledging the outstanding work of the committee.

VOTE: 32 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
TIME: 8:53 P.M.

Brad Lander, Executive Committee Member, reported to the Board that the committees reviewed the Proposed Responsible Development policy.

Motion: by Committee;
Recommendation to except CB6 Proposed Responsible Development policy.

Board Member Mark Shames spoke in favor of the motion, stating it is a terrific document.

Board Member Kelly spoke in favor of the motion and suggested we change the word “gravely” in the first sentence to “deeply.” Chairperson Bashner accepted this change.

Board Members Robert Levine and Nica Lalli both spoke in favor of the motion.

VOTE: 32 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
TIME: 9:07 P.M.

❖ COMMUNITY SESSION ❖

No registered speakers present.

❖ NEW/OTHER BUSINESS ❖

Board Member Levine stated that we should ask the City to create a budget line for the Park Slope Armory since the Department of Education will have exclusive use of the facility.

Motion: Board Member Robert Levine seconded by Board Member Barbara Ginsberg;
Request that we ask the Department of Education (DOE) to allocate ongoing expense money to this facility for its upkeep as they had promised in the past.

Board Member Suzanne Turet spoke against the motion stating that since the City put up the monies for the renovations we should not be asking them for operational funds.

Board Member Joanne Foulke spoke in favor of the motion stating that since the Department of Education will be using the facility which will cost the YMCA money for utilities and staff DOE should pay something.

Board Member Elly Spicer spoke in favor of the motion stating that it was great that City capital money was used to renovate the facility, the YMCA also needs to cover operating costs to manage the facility.

Board Member Brad Lander spoke in favor of the motion stating that we should reference the precedent set by DOE to allocate \$50,000 to schools who have renovated their school yards into playgrounds.

VOTE: 32 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
TIME: 9:15 P.M.

Board Member Nica Lalli made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Board Member Tom Miskel.

VOTE: 32 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
TIME: 9:16 P.M.

Minutes submitted into the District Office by Assistant District Manager Leroy Branch on December 29, 2009.