

**BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD 6
GENERAL BOARD MEETING
LONG ISLAND COLLEGE HOSPITAL
339 HICKS STREET**

MARCH 9, 2011

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT:

T. ALEXANDER	B. ATKINS	R.S. BASHNER
N. BERK-RAUCH	J. BERNARD	L. BLYER
S. BURZIO	N.COX	E. FELDER
P. FLEMING	B. GINSBERG	R. GRAHAM
H. HUGHES	J. IGNERI	G. KELLY
M. KOLMAN	D. KUMMER	D. LALLI
R. LEVINE	R. LUFTGLASS	A. McKNIGHT
T.L. MISKEL	C. MOLINARI	L. NAPOLITANO
G. O'CONNELL, JR.	G. REILLY	D. REISS
R. RIGOLLI	M. RUIZ	D. SCOTTO
M. SHAMES	L. SONES	E. SPICER
J. THOMPSON	S. TURET	M. VERRET
D.C. VITO		

EXCUSED:

L. CIRANDO	M. HEYER	Y. ROMAN
M. SCOTT	E. SHIPLEY	

ABSENT:

D. GIULIANO	M. KENTON	A.A. PUGLIESE
Y. GIRELA		

GUESTS

HON. STEPHEN LEVIN, CITY COUNCIL MEMBER
HON. BRAD LANDER, CITY COUNCIL MEMBER
L. DEPALMA, BOROUGH PRESIDENT MARTY MARKOWITZ'S REPRESENTATIVE
H. REICHBACH, CITY COUNCIL MEMBER LEVIN'S REPRESENTATIVE
A. ALEXIS, CITY COUNCIL MEMBER GONZALEZ'S REPRESENTATIVE
A. SCHAEZEL, STATE ASSEMBLY MEMBER BRENNAN'S REPRESENTATIVE
T. SMITH, STATE ASSEMBLY MEMBER MILLMAN'S REPRESENTATIVE
O. JONAS, STATE SENATOR MONTGOMERY'S REPRESENTATIVE
J. HAMILTON, STATE SENATOR ADAMS' REPRESENTATIVE
A. DELISI, STATE SENATOR SQUADRON'S REPRESENTATIVE
V. AVEIS & P. RHEAUME, CONGRESSWOMAN CLARKE'S REPRESENTATIVES
D. WILEY, CONGRESSWOMAN VELÁZQUEZ' REPRESENTATIVE

Complete list of meeting attendees on file at the District Office

Chairperson Daniel M. Kummer called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm.

❖❖❖ **ADOPTION OF MINUTES** ❖❖❖

Board Member Roger Rigolli made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Board Member Robert Levine.

VOTE: 30 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 6:50 P.M.

CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT.....DANIEL M. KUMMER

Chairperson Daniel M. Kummer began his report by reporting to the Board that last month he announced that we received a resignation from Board Member Greg O’Connell, who cited competing demands on his time given the work he’s been doing in Upstate New York as a reason to leave the Community Board. This month he introduced our newest Community Board member, Greg O’Connell, Jr. Greg has been a member of our Youth/Human Services/Education Committee and an active member of our Red Hook and Columbia Waterfront communities. That brings our total roster to 46 members.

Chairperson Kummer reported to the Board that he recently met with Council Member Brad Lander and with State Senator Daniel Squadron as part of his introductory round of meetings with our elected officials. He has a meeting scheduled with Council Member Sara Gonzalez next week.

Chairperson Kummer thanked our Environmental Protection Committee Chair Gary Reilly for representing us at a Press Conference held yesterday by Council Member Lander in reaction to a lawsuit that was filed by the group Neighbors for Better Bike Lanes against the City over the Prospect Park West bike lanes.

Chairperson Kummer reported that our Transportation and Public Safety/Environmental Protection/Permits & Licenses Committees are conducting a joint public hearing tomorrow night and just wanted to remind our board members that since we, as board members, have an opportunity to discuss motions that come out of committees – and I am expecting one to come out of our committees on the DOT proposed modifications to the bike lanes – that it has been our practice to not testify at our own public hearings. The Chair mentioned this because he knows that some of our board members are very passionate about this issue, but since our hearing was set up to hear from the public and we will get to fully debate any motions coming out of the committees, it’s generally not good practice for us to take time away from the public at our own hearings. Also, since we are not anticipating that our committees will have time after tomorrow evening’s hearing to convene and formulate a recommendation, any board members who are interested in participating in the actual discussion and development of any motions are invited to attend the March 17th Transportation Committee meeting, which will be a joint meeting with Public Safety. We should have the meeting location secured tomorrow and the district office will send an email to all board members inviting them to come.

Chairperson Kummer and Council Member Lander announced that the Department of Education would not be pursuing a temporary co-location of the Brooklyn Prospect Charter School at the existing P.S. 32 and New Horizons School building at 317 Hoyt Street in our district.

Chairperson Kummer advised that Board that our district office learned today, after approaching the Department for the Aging, that the department is targeting 2 more senior centers in our district for closure, specifically, the Red Hook Senior Center at 6 Wolcott Street and the Wyckoff Gardens Senior Center at 280 Wyckoff Street. We really do not have any details yet since DFTA did not notify us of the closure, but we have

arranged to have a representative from DFTA appear at our next Youth/Human Services/Education Committee meeting scheduled for March 23rd. Last year, DFTA targeted the Gowanus Senior Center for closure but Council Member Levin was able to intervene and found funding to keep it open for another year. Therefore, basically, if DFTA's plans were to go ahead, that would mean the simultaneous loss of all three centers by the end of this fiscal year, or June 30th. The loss of the Red Hook Senior Center would be particularly devastating to the Red Hook community, as the seniors would have very limited options for finding accessible programs and services elsewhere. Since I will be meeting with Council Member Gonzalez next week, we will make sure this matter is addressed and I would encourage anyone interested in learning more about this to attend our committee's upcoming meeting on March 23rd.

Chairperson Kummer ended his report by reminding our board members that each year at our May general meeting we present our annual Youth Acknowledgement Awards to youth in our district who either have been exemplary role models or have distinguished themselves through volunteer service in the community. I am sure everyone in this room knows of a young person – it could be a neighbor's child, someone you know from your congregation, or someone you know from work or school. This is our opportunity to shine a bright light on our future generation of leaders and take time to acknowledge them for their efforts, which, ultimately, we all benefit from. Won't you please consider nominating a candidate, or passing along our nomination form to someone else who could nominate a candidate, so we can continue to show our young people how very much we value their contributions to our community.

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT.....CRAIG HAMMERMAN

District Manager Craig Hammerman began his report by announcing that the New York City Economic Development Corporation (NYCEDC) will be issuing a request for proposals (RFP) for vessel tie-up space, or wharfage, at the Atlantic Basin at Pier 11 with some access also from Pier 12. We don't have an exact date when the RFP will be released, but it should be within the next couple of weeks. When it goes public we will make sure to let everyone know.

District Manager Hammerman informed the Board that at the last Gowanus Community Advisory Group (CAG) meeting, they received an update from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on the Remedial Investigation report they issued back in February. It was a very interesting and technical type of meeting but for the individuals who participated they got a lot out of it especially an opportunity to interact directly with the EPA Project Manager. He posed a question regarding water classification as an issue the board and the community is very concerned about. EPA stated that the Federal Clean Water Act sets water classification and each State is responsible for carrying out the mandate of the act. Anyone who is interested in this issue should attend CAG's water quality subcommittee, which is open to the public. For more information, please contact District Manager Hammerman at the district office.

District Manager Hammerman advised the Board that he attended a meeting organized by Borough President Marty Markowitz office and chaired by Council Member Brad Lander to address lingering issues about the Carroll Gardens courtyards. There were representatives from DOB, 76th Precinct, DOT, City Planning and Department of Consumer Affairs addressing issues such as whether or not the front areaways are City property or City easements. DOB has declared that those front areaways are in fact city property. We have asked the City's Corporation Council to send us a letter stating such. Another issue is curb cuts; they will continue to work together in the near future on the best way to address old and new cuts in terms of enforcement. Lastly, what do you do about corner properties where there are public easements on properties that are behind private gates. These commercial usages are a special class. He believes that these discussions are healthy and long overdue and hopes they will help to put more predictability in what we should expect in these public spaces.

District Manager Hammerman reported to the Board that the Department of Transportation will in the month of May implement a second phase of replacing single-space parking meters with uni-meters in Park Slope, and also expand and make permanent the successful Park SMART peak hour parking pricing pilot. The changes will occur in the following locations:

- 5th Avenue between Dean Street and Douglass Street/St. Johns Place
- 5th Avenue between 4th and 15th Streets
- 7th Avenue between 6th and 15th Streets
- 9th Street between 4th and 6th Avenues

For more information on the Department of Transportation's Park SMART Program, please go to <http://www.nyc.gov/html/dot/html/motorist/parksmart.shtml>.

District Manager Hammerman ended his report by informing the Board that on Monday, March 16th – Friday April 13th from 8am-4pm, Carroll Street between Hoyt and Bond Streets will be closed to vehicular traffic for crane operation at Carroll Street. This is being done to remove of the steel work at the top of 333 Carroll Street.

Chairperson Kummer recognized Council Member Brad Lander whom began by stating that DOE has decided that PS 32 is not the right location for the Brooklyn Prospect Charter School to be housed. They have found a permanent private space that will be located near Thomas Greene Park, but are still in need of temporary quarters while the permanent space is being constructed. On March 14th at PS 321, he will be hosting a Community Conversation on Public School Instruction and Assessment with Shael Polakow-Suransky, the Chief Academic Officer and Senior Deputy Chancellor at the NYC Department of Education. This event will be a dialogue about teaching, learning, assessment, and accountability in New York City's public schools. In terms of the courtyard meeting, we will be having follow-up meetings in the future and anyone interested in this issue should contact him at lander@council.nyc.gov. In September 2010, New York City released the NYC Green Infrastructure Plan, which presents an alternative approach to improving water quality that integrates "green infrastructure," such as swales and green roofs, with investments to optimize the existing system and to build targeted, cost-effective "gray" or traditional infrastructure. On April 14th, DEP Commissioner Caswell Holloway will come out to the community to engage the public and solicit ideas to improve and expand green infrastructure opportunities. For further information, please call his office at 718-499-1090. He explained that this year's budget is terrible. We must all get involved by calling our State Representatives to express our thoughts on the Governors budget especially when it comes to the cut of our senior centers. In addition, the governor is proposing to allow the state's existing "personal income tax (PIT) surcharge" on high-income earners to expire this year. The surcharge has been in place for several years, with no credible evidence that it has driven wealthy New Yorkers to leave the state. He ended by thanking the Board for its commitment to engage the community in open discussion in regards to the bike lanes on Prospect Park West. He invited everyone out to John Jay on March 10th to participate in the Board's public hearing.

Chairperson Kummer recognized the representatives of the elected officials.

Tamar Smith, representing Assembly Member Joan Millman reported to the Board that in 2010, Governor David Paterson, the State Department of Health and all concerned stakeholders, agreed to apply funding from the State Health Care Efficiency and Affordability Law (HEAL) to allow LICH to remain open and a merger with SUNY Downstate Medical Center to go forward. In February 2011, word suddenly came from the office of Governor Andrew Cuomo that there might be a delay in releasing these HEALS funds, which would have spelled the nearly immediate closure of LICH. After meeting with various elected officials the governor has announced that he would commit to honor \$62 million dollars in HEAL grants, which will keep LICH open and allow it to merge with SUNY Downstate. As Chair of the Assembly Election Law Committee, the Assemblywoman has introduced legislation to protect the voting rights for members of the military. Current

law does not allow adequate time for the finalization and transmission of military ballots to overseas servicemen and women – as well as Americans living abroad – by boards of elections, making it problematic for these individuals to cast their votes. The new legislation would increase the period between the governor's proclamation of a special election and the date of that election by 40 days at a minimum. She ended by announcing a new program sponsored by St. Francis College, "The Future Women In Science" (FWIS) program. This program helps girls build confidence and get the support they need to pursue a career in science. FWIS begins March 26 with a six-week program on Saturdays at St. Francis where students will engage in interactive experiments. At the end of the program, girls will be able to share what they have learned at a career fair. Space is limited but there are still slots available for high school students who want to join the program.

Anthony Alexis, representing Council Member Sara Gonzalez stated that the Council Member was introducing legislation that would amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring snow removal from bus shelters, making it the responsibility of DOT.

Oscar Jonas, representing State Senator Velmanette Montgomery stated that the Senator has had some success in the prospect of substantial Juvenile Justice Reform being put in place in this year's budget by Governor Cuomo. The Senator has also signed off on a letter to the State Liquor Authority to request a new 500-foot hearing regarding the three on-premises liquor license applications under consideration for Prime Six, Inc and their proposed establishment to be located at 242 Flatbush Avenue.

Alex Delisi, representing State Senator Daniel Squadron invited everyone to attend the third annual 25th Senate District Community Convention on March 13th. At the convention, the Senator will ask his constituents their thoughts and ideas on legislative and community priorities. The Senator has written to Governor Cuomo, urging him to save senior centers by applying a portion of the \$155 million available from new revenue projections to offset the change to Title XX funding. He ended by urging everyone to get involved and call their elected officials to express their thoughts on the Governor's proposed budget.

Veronica Aveis and Patrick Rheame, representing Congress Member Yvette Clarke invited all interested parties to the Congresswoman's Job Fair where individuals can meet with job recruiters from various city, state and federal agencies as well as employment representatives from various corporate retail companies and healthcare organizations. The fair will be on March 22nd at the Madison Square Boys & Girls Club located at 2245 Bedford Avenue in Brooklyn. They ended by announcing the Annual Congressional High School Art Contest, which celebrates the hard work and artistic achievements of students.

Dan Wiley, representing Congress Member Nydia M. Velázquez stated that the Congress Member would be co-sponsoring a Credit Ready NYC: Credit Fair for small businesses on March 22nd at St. Francis College. The Congress Member has written to Governor Cuomo, urging him to save senior centers by restoring the much-needed funds. He ended by informing everyone that the final draft of the BQE Trench Enhancement or "Fix the Ditch" study will be out next week.

Charles Glover, representing Mayor Michael Bloomberg stated that the Mayor has proposed to establish a new category of livery cars that can make on-street pickups outside of Manhattan just as yellow cabs do. It will give many New Yorkers another safe, reliable and convenient option for getting around. The program aims to improve taxi availability while bringing yellow-taxi-like amenities (e.g., metered fares, credit/debit card payment, easier-to-spot cabs) to the outerboroughs. To express your thoughts please fill out a brief online survey at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NYCTaxiSurvey>. He also urged everyone to contact their state representatives so NYC can get their fair share of the Governors budget.

❖❖❖COMMITTEE REPORTS❖❖❖

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

Landmarks Committee Chairperson Robert Levine reported to the Board that the committee reviewed a conversion of a 7-unit to a 3-family at 110 Amity Street.

Motion: by Committee;
Recommendation to approve various elements associated with the conversion of a 7-unit to a 3-family at 110 Amity Street (southeast corner Amity/Henry Streets), Cobble Hill Historic District with the following condition - to have solid front risers on metal stairs in front area way.

VOTE: 37 YEAS, 1 NAY, 0 ABSTENTIONS

MOTION PASSED

TIME: 7:45 P.M.

Land Use Committee Chairperson Peter Fleming also reported to the Board that the committee reviewed the annual Citywide Statement of Needs planning process, pursuant to Section 204 of the City Charter.

Motion: by Committee;
Recommendation to ask that the Mayor request full participation by all of his agency heads in the annual Citywide Statement of Needs planning process, pursuant to Section 204 of the City Charter, to ensure that Community Boards, et al, are aware not only of city facilities they intend to site, but also of facilities they intend to close as well.

VOTE: 38 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 7:48 P.M.

**ECONOMIC/WATERFRONT/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/HOUSING COMMITTEE
.....DAVID REISS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CO-CHAIR
..... RICK LUFTGLASS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CO-CHAIR
.....GREG O'CONNELL, WATERFRONT DEVELOPMENT CHAIR
..... STEPHEN BURZIO, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CHAIR
.....BEN ATKINS, HOUSING CO-CHAIR**

Economic Development Co-Chair Rick Luftglass reported to the Board that the committee review of an application to revise Carroll Gardens Association's Neighborhood Preservation Program service area boundary.

Motion: by Board Member Richard Bashner, seconded by Board Member Peter Fleming;
Recommendation to support an application to the New York State Homes and Community Renewal to revise the Carroll Gardens Association. (CGA) Neighborhood Preservation Program service area boundaries to include Carroll Gardens census tracts 63, 65 and 67, an area bounded by Hicks Street, Degraw Street, Court Street and Hamilton Avenue.

Board Member Ben Atkins asked if there were any other organization serving in a similar role in Carroll Gardens. Economic Development Co-Chair Rick Luftglass stated yes, the Gowanus Canal Community Development Corporation (GCCDC).

Board Member Mark Shames stated that GCCDC has also written a letter of support for CGA.

VOTE: 30 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
TIME: 7:50 P.M.

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

Parks Committee Chairperson Nica Lalli reported to the Board that the Committee reviewed a presentation by the NYC Parks Department and the Department for Environmental Conservation on the plans for the renovation of the Thomas Greene Playground.

Motion: by Board Member Glenn Kelly, seconded by Board Member Barbara Ginsberg;
Recommendation to support the plans presented by the NYC Parks Department and the Department for Environmental Conservation for the renovation of the Thomas Greene Playground.

VOTE: 38 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
TIME: 7:55 P.M.

Motion: by Board Member Glenn Kelly, seconded by Board Member Lou Sones;
Recommendation to support the first phase of the plan that is funded (the eastern 1/3 of the park) as presented by the NYC Parks Department and the Department for Environmental Conservation for the renovation of the Thomas Greene Playground.

VOTE: 39 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
TIME: 7:56 P.M.

PUBLIC SAFETY/ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION/ PERMITS & LICENSES COMMITTEE
.....**TERRY ALEXANDER, PUBLIC SAFETY CO-CHAIR**
.....**MARTHA KENTON, PUBLIC SAFETY CO-CHAIR**
.....**GARY REILLY, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION CHAIR**
..... **MARK SHAMES, PERMITS & LICENSES CHAIR**

Permits & Licenses Chairperson Mark Shames reported to the Board that the committee reviewed an on-premises liquor license application at 175 Van Dyke Street.

Motion: by Board Member Lou Sones, seconded by Board Member Peter Fleming;
Recommendation to approve an on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of Liberty Events, LLC dba Liberty Warehouse at 175 Van Dyke Street (between Conover/Ferris Streets).

Board Member Terry Alexander asked if the business was open and operating. Permits & Licenses Chairperson Mark Shames stated no.

Board Member Glenn Kelley spoke in favor of the motion stating that this is an event space at the tip of the pier that will not bother any residents.

VOTE: 37 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSTENTION FOR CAUSE
MOTION PASSED
TIME: 8:01 P.M.

Permits & Licenses Chairperson Mark Shames also reported to the Board that the committee reviewed a cabaret license application at 177 2nd Avenue.

Motion: by Board Member Nica Lalli, seconded by Board Member Terry Alexander;
Recommendation to approve a cabaret license application submitted to the Department of Consumer Affairs on behalf of SRB Brooklyn, LLC at 177 2nd Avenue (between 13th/14th Streets).

Board Member Terry Alexander asked if we had and background information on the applicant. Permits & Licenses Chairperson Mark Shames stated that we had no negative information.

VOTE: 38 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
TIME: 8:03 P.M.

Permits & Licenses Chairperson Mark Shames further reported to the Board that the committee reviewed a renewal unenclosed sidewalk cafe permit application at 187 5th Avenue.

Motion: by Committee;
Recommendation to approve a renewal unenclosed sidewalk cafe permit application submitted to the Department of Consumer Affairs on behalf of Campo De Fiori, LLC at 187 5th Avenue (southeast corner Berkeley Place/5th Avenue), to permit 3 tables and 6 seats.

Board Member Lou Sones asked how many tables and chairs were inside of this business. Permits & Licenses Chairperson Mark Shames stated that he did not know.

Board Member Suzanne Turet stated that there are many more tables inside than out.

VOTE: 38 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
TIME: 8:06 P.M.

Permits & Licenses Chairperson Mark Shames additionally reported to the Board that the committee reviewed a renewal unenclosed sidewalk cafe permit application at 160 Court Street.

Motion: by Committee;

Recommendation to approve a renewal unenclosed sidewalk cafe permit application submitted to the Department of Consumer Affairs on behalf of The Holy Grail, Inc. dba Downtown Bar & Grill at 160 Court Street (northwest corner Court/Amity Streets), to permit 16 tables and 32 seats.

VOTE: 37 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSTENTION FOR CAUSE
MOTION PASSED
TIME: 8:08 P.M.

Permits & Licenses Chairperson Mark Shames furthermore reported to the Board that the committee reviewed an on-premises liquor license application at 74 5th Avenue.

Motion: by Committee;
Recommendation to approve an on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of Rega & Dodly Wine, Inc. at 74 5th Avenue (between St Marks Place/Warren Street).

VOTE: 38 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
TIME: 8:10 P.M.

Permits & Licenses Chairperson Mark Shames moreover reported to the Board that the committee reviewed a renewal enclosed sidewalk cafe permit application at 345 Court Street.

Motion: by Committee;
Recommendation to approve a renewal enclosed sidewalk cafe permit application submitted to the Department of Consumer Affairs on behalf of 345 Court Street Corp. dba Marco Polo Restaurant at 345 Court Street (southwest corner Court/Union Streets), to permit 10 tables and 30 seats.

VOTE: 38 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
TIME: 8:12 P.M.

Permits & Licenses Chairperson Mark Shames lastly reported to the Board that the committee reviewed Recommendation anticipated on an on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of Prime Six, Inc. at 242 Flatbush Avenue (southwest corner Flatbush/6th Avenues). The committee laid over the matter to give the applicant and the community an opportunity to develop stipulations to the permit that all sides could live with. The committee is expecting to take up the matter again next month and asked the applicant to provide a progress report. In the interim, members of the community will be sitting down with the applicant at a meeting being set up by the North Flatbush Avenue BID which the Chairperson, District Manager and I will be attending.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE.....THOMAS L. MISKEL, CO-CHAIR
.....STEPHEN BURZIO, CO-CHAIR

Transportation Co-Chairperson Stephen Burzio reported to the Board that the committee reviewed a proposal to restrict vehicular usage of the 4th Street cul-de-sac (west of 5th Avenue) in favor of expanded school use (i.e.; Play Street) and community use by park users, residents and merchants.

Motion: by Committee;
Recommendation to support a proposal to restrict vehicular usage of the 4th Street cul-de-sac (west of 5th Avenue) in favor of expanded school use (i.e.; Play Street) and community use by park users, residents and merchants.

Board Member Robert Levine asked if teachers would lose parking. Transportation Co-Chairperson Stephen Burzio stated that the teachers’ spaces have already been reallocated and that no spaces were lost.

Board Member Elly Spicer asked is this play street option a restricted time so that no parking spaces will be lost because there is parking there now and taking all parking there is not fair to the community and she would be opposed to that. Transportation Co-Chairperson Stephen Burzio stated that there would be parking after 5pm.

Board Member Constance Molinari spoke in favor of the motion stating that we should remove parking in favor of the children.

Board Member Richard Bashner asked if parking will be available in the evenings and on weekends. Transportation Co-Chairperson Stephen Burzio stated yes.

Board Member Nica Lalli spoke in favor of the motion stating that the cul-de-sac is used by ambulances to sit and idle and we should use the space as a play area for children.

Board Member Robert Levine asked if the farmer’s market would be able to continue to use the cul-de-sac on the weekend. Transportation Co-Chairperson Stephen Burzio stated yes.

Amendment: by Board Member Elly Spicer, seconded by Board Member Lou Sones;
To add that parking be allowed after 5pm during the week and on weekends as well as maintain the existing rules regarding parking during the operation of the Farmer’s Market.

VOTE: 36 YEAS, 1 NAY, 1 ABSTENTION
AMENDMENT PASSED
TIME: 8:35 P.M.

Discussion continued on amended motion.

Board Member Terry Alexander asked what they would do to prevent cars from going up and down the street. Transportation Co-Chairperson Thomas Miskel stated that all safety concerns will be addressed later.

VOTE: 37 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSTENTION
AMENDMENT PASSED
TIME: 8:37 P.M.

YOUTH/HUMAN SERVICES/EDUCATION COMMITTEE

-DERRICK C. VITO, YOUTH SERVICES CO-CHAIR
-JAMES BERNARD, YOUTH SERVICES CO-CHAIR
-MARK KOLMAN, HUMAN SERVICES CHAIR
-SUZANNE TURET, CHAIR, EDUCATION

Youth Services Co-Chairperson James Bernard reported to the Board that the committee reviewed a presentation by the Horizons Leadership Program.

Motion: by Committee;
Recommendation to provide a letter of support to Horizons Leadership Program, a re-emerging youth program based in Park Slope whose mission is to prepare Brooklyn youth for success in school, work, and life.

VOTE: 38 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 8:42 P.M.

Chairperson Kummer recognized Councilmember Steven Levin whom began by stating that through the diligent efforts of the community, parents and teachers DOE has decided that PS 32 is not the right location for the Brooklyn Prospect Charter School to be housed. He is working with other elected officials in a concerted effort to bring the community together with the owners of Prime Six to discuss how everyone could be better neighbors to each other. He has invited everyone to attend his next traffic task force meeting on March 15th to discuss traffic issues in and around the Boerum Hill community. In terms of the budget everyone needs to contact their state representatives to express their concerns regarding NYC fair share, the closure of senior centers, and the proposal to allow the state's "millionaire's tax" to expire. His office is in the process of reviewing applications for discretionary funds. If you know of any good, organizations please send them his way. Lastly, the Borough President is in the process of appointing individuals to the board. Anyone interested from his district should contact his district office.

❖ **COMMUNITY SESSION** ❖

Harry Lipman, Steve Ettlinger, residents of Park Slope asked the board to support the request by our elected officials that the State Liquor Authority reschedule another 500-foot hearing for Prime Six since they feel the community did not get a chance to express its concerns over their further operations at 242 Flatbush Avenue. There are issues concerning the use of the backyard, hours of operation, adequate security, sound proofing just to name a few.

Regina Cahill, representing the North Flatbush BID stated that her office is in the process of setting up a meeting with the owner of Prime Six, residents, the community board, and elected officials. She is hopeful that through this working group we can come up with various concessions that both sides could be happy with.

Pauline Toole, representing "We Are New York" which is an Emmy Award-winning half-hour TV show. You can watch the show on Mondays at 12:30 pm and Sundays at 3:00 pm on Channel 25 (or Channel 22 on Cablevision). You can also watch it on Fridays at 10:00 pm and Sundays at 1:00 pm on Channel 74. Each show has a different story of immigrants living in New York City. They show how New Yorkers can work together to solve problems and create better lives for themselves. We Are New York is intended to help people learn English that will be useful to them. The We Are New York Community Project organizes free conversation groups across the City that help immigrants practice their English and learn about helpful City services. For more information or to get involved please visit them at <http://www.nyc.gov/html/weareny/html/home/home.shtml>.

Hazel Johnson, representing New Brown Memorial Baptist Church stated that they are implementing a mentoring and tutoring program that will work with at risk youth in the community. They work with youth and

young adults between the ages of 14 – 24. They are looking for volunteers and anyone who can direct them to any resources their organization can apply for.

❖ **NEW/OTHER BUSINESS** ❖

Motion: by Gary Rielly, seconded by Board Member Glenn Kelly;
Recommendation to provide a letter supporting our elected officials requesting that the State Liquor Authority reschedule another 500-foot hearing for Prime Six.

VOTE: 38 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 9:17 P.M.

Motion: by Board Member Nica Lalli, seconded by Board Member Roger Rigolli;
To adjourn the meeting.

VOTE: 29 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 9:30PM

Minutes submitted into the District Office by Assistant District Manager Leroy Branch on March 18, 2011.