### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES HELD ON OCTOBER 2, 2019 BOARD OFFICE – 5676 RIVERDALE AVENUE

#### **Committee Members Present** (11)

Rosemary Ginty, Chair Sylvia Alexander Bob Bender Martin Wolpoff Lisa Daub Robert Fanuzzi David Gellman Rosalind Zavras Dan Padernacht Laura Spalter Sergio Villaverde

# **Committee Members Absent** (5)

Eric Dinowitz Margaret Donato Daris Jackson Omar Murray **Charles Moerdler** 

Staff (0)

**CB8 & Guests** (1) Heather Smith

Chair Ginty convened the meeting at 7:35 pm

### **Chairperson's Report**

- Reminder All board members need to complete sexual harassment training by Dec 13<sup>th</sup>. Anticipate approximately 45 – 60 minutes to complete the online program.
- Youth Committee Chair Julia Gomez expressed interest in the chair position. As is our practice, Chair Ginty will inform the board by email and note that nominations can be raised from the floor at the upcoming board meeting.

### **Treasurer's Report**

- R. Zavras reviewed the treasurer's report and noted that OMB, due to backlog, has not processed our budget modifications yet. Chair highlighted this as an example of why we need to put budget mods through promptly to consider potential OMB processing delays.
- Treasurer presented a <u>budget mod resolution</u> for October vote to move \$10k from a holding code to contractual services (OTPS) to cover temporary office help during the office staffing shortage. DM is speaking with approved city temp staffing vendors.

### **District Manager's Report**

 On DM's behalf, L. Daub provided an update on the staff search. The jobs are posted on Facebook and our website. DM shared postings with other DMs and local colleges. Advertised Coordinator position in City & State and for both positions in the Riverdale Press and Norwood News. We received approx. 40 applications to date and started interviewing potential candidates. Applications will be accepted through October 11<sup>th</sup>. Board members are encouraged to spread the word.

## **Committee Resolutions**

Chair called for committee resolutions to be presented at the October Board meeting:

<u>Economic Development</u> – (1) S. Villaverde will hold the resolution regarding funding a consultant to support the Kingsbridge BIDs boundary expansion until details are worked out with his committee. Discussed various potential issues including restrictions on funding consultants for  $3^{rd}$  party beneficiaries, (2) The committee supports T&Ts resolution in opposing DOTs Better Buses plan in Marble Hill.

<u>Traffic & Transportation</u> – (1) D. Padernacht described DOTs Better Buses Improvement Plan in Marble Hill, the opposition voiced by the community and shared the resolution opposing this plan. Discussed the push by NYC to move ahead quickly with this plan regardless of the hardship it will likely cause to local merchants, to car and pedestrian travelers in the area – and all for a change that will not accomplish the stated goal of speeding up buses. (2) A resolution of support to the Kingsbridge BIDs application for two city benches east of Broadway on  $231^{st}$ . Discussed the need for a bus shelter which was previously rejected by DOT.

<u>Parks & Recreation</u> – B. Bender presented a resolution to support the conceptual design of the Van Cortlandt Park pedestrian bridge over the Major Deegan. The ramps, although shortened from earlier design, are very long to ensure ADA compatibility over hilly terrain. The resolution includes several conditions for the final design to address concerns regarding tree elimination, surface material, historic preservation and storm water pollution. R. Fanuzzi feels that we should hold back the resolution until details are known. B. Bender feels that we should keep the positive momentum going by giving conditional support to the latest design.

<u>Law, Rules & Ethics</u> – M. Wolpoff presented the verbiage to add the required disciplinary committee to our bylaws for votes at October and November board meetings.

Public Safety – Two liquor license renewals: Khalle Bar & Grill and Palace of Japan

#### **Issues for Discussion**

D. Gellman – led discussion on capital and expense requests with the participants agreeing to a few changes and adjustments to prioritizations.

R. Fanuzzi – (1) Complaints regarding rat infestations referred to HHSS chair for follow-up with DOH. CB8 does not meet city's threshold for increased abatement, as related at Borough Board meeting. Community needs to call 311, (2) Noted residents' concerns regarding asbestos on Palisades and Independence.

#### Minutes

• Minutes of September 4, 2019 Executive Committee approved

In Favor (11): Alexander, Bender, Daub, Fanuzzi, Gellman, Ginty, Padernacht, Spalter, Villaverde, Wolpoff, Zavras Opposed: (0), Abstain (0)

**Outstanding Issues – None** 

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm

Submitted by Lisa Daub, Secretary