

**Youth Committee Meeting
Thursday April 26, 2018
Kingsbridge Heights Community
3101 Kingsbridge Terrace**

ATTENDEES: L. Parker (Chair), J. Santiago (Vice- Chair) D. Fuchs

ABSENT: None (0)

GUESTS: J.M Carrillo (KHCC), S.Rosa ,(KHCC), M. Grant (KHCC), A.Jimenez (KHCC), A. Jimenez (KHCC), J. Sebro (KHCC), A.Mendez(KHCC),J.Alvarado (KHCC), R. Arriaga (FICC), A.Betances (FICC), I. Isaac (KHCC),G. Nimmens (KHCC), D. Green

CALL TO ORDER: April 26, 2018 1900 HRS PM/EST

QUORUM: Yes

REPORTS:

1. Minutes from previous meeting.
1.1 Approved March 2018

2. Youth Chair's Report and Opening of Meeting. (L. Parker) and was narrated by JeanMaria Carrillo (KHCC youth member)

2.1 J. Carrillo opened the floor with updates about community issues.

3. Comeback Kid Award Update

COMMUNITY CENTER REPORTS:

4. Mosholu Montefiore Community Center

4.1 The Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) Provides New York City youth between the ages of 14 and 24 with summer employment and educational experiences that capitalize on their individual strengths, develop their skills and competencies, and connect them to positive adult role models. SYEP provides 6-7 weeks of entry-level work experience in a variety of jobs at community-based organizations, government agencies, and private sector businesses. In 2014, DYCD employed approximately 40,000 participants and placed them at 5,677 worksites.

Participants work in a variety of entry-level jobs at government agencies, hospitals, summer camps, nonprofits, small businesses, law firms, museums, sports enterprises, and retail organizations.

SYEP is designed to:

- Emphasize real-world labor expectations
- Increase awareness of services offered by local community-based organizations
- Provide opportunities for career instruction, financial literacy training, academic improvement, and social growth.

To apply for SYEP you can: Apply online or complete the application and return it to MMCC. Applications are also available at MMCC Monday through Friday 4:30pm to 5:30pm.

5. Riverdale Neighborhood House

5.1 Riverdale Neighborhood House – Key Program Areas

As a settlement house, RNH strives to offer programs and services that meet the present-day needs of our community. We are always assessing trends and welcome input for new ideas and interests. The major program areas are early childhood education, school-age care, youth services and older adults. We also feature a swimming pool program for the summer months.

Early Childhood Education

Accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), RNH Early Childhood Programs meet all New York State and NYC Department of Education standards. Programs are available for children ages 2.9 through 4 with flexible scheduling options.

School Age

Our school age program offers after school care for children ages 5-12. We pick up from PS 81 and PS 24 with care until 6 PM as well as full days during school holidays. After the school year ends, we offer a fun and exciting summer day camp.

Teens

RNH offers young people a safe, fun and relaxing environment to learn who they are and discover who they might become. We offer programs that focus on career development including our signature Youth Internship Program. RNH now also offers an Out of School Time (OST) program at the middle school at MS/HS 368, the IN-Tech Academy.

Adults & Seniors

Older adults are cherished and valuable members of our community. The RNH Telephone Reassurance Program helps these seniors remain connected through daily phone calls from our wonderful team of adult volunteers; this helps them remain at home longer while we insure that they are safe and well.

The RNH Pool Program

For over 60 years, residents of Riverdale have enjoyed relaxing and swimming in the RNH swimming pool. The program operates from Memorial Day through Labor Day and has a variety of membership options to meet everyone's needs.

6. Kingsbridge Heights Community Center

6.1 We're celebrating 44 of COMMUNITY SERVICE! Join us in our online celebration from now until May 5! By donating \$44 in honor of 44 years of service, you are helping us continue our work to empower #Bronx families: <http://bit.ly/2qVIBNr>

6.2 Annual Neighborhood Festival – On May 5th, KHCC is holding its Sixth Annual Neighborhood Festival. We will be welcoming the enigmatic beats of Uptown Vinyl Supreme DJ Sunny Sheeba and Rapper/Singer Kei-Kei, among others, who will be entertaining guests and showcasing the culture of the Boogie Down for a true celebration! We will be holding a raffle with great prizes and plenty of giveaways and we will showcase the energy of our block with: Face painting, Music, Dance, Games, Bouncy Castle, Flea Market.

Families can enjoy our flavorful BBQ, and register for Summer Camp and fall programming. Community members can also learn about our space rental opportunities, register to vote, and get to know KHCC.

This is a great opportunity to bring our community together to give back to KHCC. In honor of Earth Day, we will also be partnering with Latino Outdoors for a volunteer project. Volunteers will help care for the KHCC garden and park.

6.3 Raise The Roof Happy Hour – On May 15th, Join KHCC for our annual Rooftop Happy Hour at the Yotel rooftop bar in the heart of Midtown Manhattan.

Mingle with VIP's, Board Members, and community members and celebrate KHCC as a powerful force in the war on poverty, reversing the barriers of poverty and trauma, creating an inclusive environment for children with special needs, nurturing low-income families, especially recent immigrants, to develop the skills they need to lead independent, self-sufficient lives.

All funds raised at the event will support the important programs that KHCC offers from cradle to career for our vibrant community.

7. Fort Independence Community Center (Currently no representation at this time)

8. Marble Hill Community Center

8.1 There aren't any new updates

9. Riverdale YMCA – at Riverdale Kingsbridge Academy (MS/HS 141)
Independence Ave. & W 237th St.
EVERY SUNDAY, 5/6 – 11/18
9:00AM – 2:00PM

DEPARTMENT PHONE NUMBERS:

- MEMBERSHIP: (347) 913-4464
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- FITNESS: (347) 913-4453
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- ATHLETICS: (347) 913-4419
- SENIOR CENTER: (347) 913-4444
- AFTERSCHOOL: (347) 913-4972

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

1. The youth in the community are interested in having more programs that are geared to sports, drama classes, and career readiness for the healthcare field.

2. Victor Cruz of Grace Tabernacle Church, would like to be involved in assisting the youth in any way possible.

RESOLUTION: None

KEY DATES: May 8, 2018 Comeback kids Awards, next Youth Committee meeting May 24, 2018

CLOSING REMARKS:

MEETING ADJOURNED