

Youth Monthly Board Meeting
January 24, 2018

ATTENDEES: D. Fuchs, S. Gerber, W. Guzman, N. Kortright, N. Krury, A. Olivares, L. Parker (Chair), J. Santiago (Vice Chair), Y. Santiago, C. Tart

ABSENT: None (0)

GUEST(S): Y. Santiago, C. Tart, A. Laspina from Moshulu Montefiore Community Center, A. Olivares – Riverdale Neighborhood House, J. Lopez from Build N' Box, S. Gerber from Kingsbridge Heights Community Center, W. Guzman from OST NYC (One Stop Training New York City)

OTHER BOARD MEMBERS: D. Fuchs, J. Santiago

CALLED TO ORDER: Wednesday, January 24, 2018 at 1:00 PM/EST

QUORUM: Yes

ADDENDUM

1. Revision to November 29, 2017. Subject Matter: Participatory Budgeting. Topic: Education Committee.
 - 1.1. Correction submitted by, S. Alexander, Chairman of The Education Committee who states, "The Education Committee of The Participatory Budget is looking for possible sites." Correction made based on comment by J. Green who was representing, Councilman Andy Cohen on behalf of the Participatory Budget's Committer who spoke about suggestions for the polling site."

REPORTS:

2. Minutes from previous meeting.
 - 2.1. Approved 01/24/2018
 - 2.2. Addendum introduced (above)
3. Youth Chair's Report and Opening of Meeting, (L. Parker)
 - 3.1. L. Parker open the floor for updates from the committee about community matters. He also introduced guess speakers.
4. Vice-Chair Youth Report, (J. Santiago)
 - 4.1. (J. Santiago) proposed honoring a Veteran American to represent Black History Month this coming February 2018.
 - 4.2. Please provide any suggestions
 - 4.3. J. Santiago and L. Parker, will be reviewing the suggestions by Friday, February 16, 2018, two weeks prior to the next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 28, 2018.
 - 4.4. Friends, neighbors, family members, etc. are encouraged to submit suggestions via email to BX08@CB.NYC.GOV "Subject – Black History Veteran Recognition CB 8".

COMMUNITY CENTER REPORT(S)

5. Mosholu Montefiore Community Center
 - 5.1. (Y. Santiago) , (C. Tarp) and (A. Laspina)
 - 5.1.1. 14 Week Paid Internship Program – this program is for 18-24-year-old. The program runs from March 2018 to June 2018 from 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM and is open to residents of specific zip codes. A flyer was distributed, interested parties should

contact J. Acevedo by phone at (718-652-0282) A. Laspine by phone (718-652-0282).

- 5.1.2. Official Bronx Week 2018 is an event to be presented by BN Fit Walk to Wellness. The event will take place, rain or shine on Saturday, May 12, 2018 at 10:30 AM. Registration details to follow in the Spring 2018, Visit the website for additional information at <http://www.mmcc.org>
- 5.2. (C. Tarp), spoke about GED Programs sponsored at Montefiore which include programs for Special Needs, Youth Employment, Workforce Development and Child Development. These programs are all available at the Norwood Campus location 3512 Dekalb Avenue, Bronx NY 10467.
- 5.3. (L. Parker) and (Y. Santiago) working in collaboration, proposed a Job Fair, expected to take place in the Spring/Summer 2018, details to follow in the next coming meetings.
6. Riverdale Neighborhood House (A. Oliveras)
 - 6.1. (A. Oliveras), the Director of the Teen Program at Riverdale Neighborhood House mentioned workshops available about poetry, visual arts, creative arts and dance curriculum. Call for details.
 - 6.2. Also shared by (A. Oliveras), School Out of New York City (SONIC Program) a gratuitous program that takes places at MS HS 295 located near Tibbett Avenue and at an additional site located at 1521 Mosholu Ave, this is an after-school program funded by The Dept. of Youth and Community Development.
 - 6.3. Youth Internship Program, offered for children ages 14-18 to help gain job skills and career opportunities that will lead to a meaningful growth and talents leading onto a strong career. The program enrollment takes place three (3) times a year during school calendar, applications are available in Sept., February and May. Stipends are awarded, please call 718-549-8100 Extn 112 for additional information.
 - 6.4. College Direction Program, geared at preparing students for college, the program offers college preparation classes, KAPLAN SAT Prep, college application guidance, trips to colleges and free workshop. Helpful for Math, Science and Reading. 11th and 12th graders.
 - 6.5. Tutoring Program, lead mostly by Manhattan College's students is available to help students in high school with their academic work.
 - 6.6. Lastly, (L. Parker) in collaboration with (A. Oliveras) proposed a Championship Basket Game for the upcoming Youth agenda in the months to follow. Additional details and information will be shared moving forward.
7. Kingsbridge Heights Community Center (S. Gerber)
 - 7.1. (S. Gerber) who introduced himself as a Social Worker (LSW) in training shared information about the following; Bronx Theatre After-School Program -a satellite partnership initiative with The Bronx Theater HS which takes place at the John F. Kennedy High School Campus on Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:00 PM – 6:00 PM/EST. This program offers youth council and peer mediation training, poetry workshops and some paid internships. College workshops and trips are also involved at times.
 - 7.2. College Bound Directions Program, offers college success workshops for students to participate in college trips, pre-college career events, SAT preparation classes, youth internships, etc.
 - 7.3. Special Needs Programs a.k.a. Leading Buddies, Best Buddies and Helping Hands, to name a few, were introduced. These programs offer tutoring, computer literacy, arts, crafts, games and physical education. Contact for this program is (M. Alvarez) not present at the meeting, call for additional details (718-884-0700 EXTN 128)
8. Marble Hill Community Center (currently, no representation at this time)

9. Fort Independence Community Center (currently, no representation at this time)
10. Riverdale YMCA (currently, no representation at this time)

OPEN ITEMS / RESOLUTIONS (PREVIOUS MEETING)

11. One Day Civics Engagement Event – (L.Parker) mentioned the possibility of a future program for the youth aimed at providing a full day of advocacy training, information and fun covering the US Constitution, Civic involvement and community engagement.

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

12. Build N' Box (J. Lopez) – offers a 90 Minutes Body Conditioning an after-school dynamic youth program to help children with body conditioning and wellness. The next program is scheduled to begin Monday, February 5th. The curriculum takes place on Mondays, Wednesdays and Friday's from 4:00 – 5:30 PM/EST, a comfortable fee applies. Call or visit the website for details.
- 12.1. (J. Lopez) also offers a curriculum for Counter Bullying which provides children with awareness and techniques on how to handle sensitive issues or topics pertaining to bullying, the program's objective is to build confidence and learn to apply self-defense tactics. Professional athletes, boxing coaches and other professional speakers are added to the curriculum.
- 12.2. (L. Parker) working in collaboration with (J. Lopez) proposed a Body Building Competition for the community youth. Details to follow in the future calendar and later meetings, for now, the anticipated time is the Summer 2018.
13. One Stop Training NYC (W. Guzman) – proposed putting together a curriculum that offers a class for the youth that would educate them on CPR, BLS (Basic Life Skills), AED (Automatic External Defibrillator), First Aide and proper use of oxygen tanks. Also discussed was a formalized curriculum offering such as; Baby Sitting Certification, Emergency Response and Defensive Driving Program, to name a few. The classes would take place in the community center located at Community Board No. 8 Office 5676 Riverdale Avenue Suite 100 Bronx, New York 10471
14. (L. Parker) working in collaboration with (W. Guzman) will be following up with details and program schedule for the coming year.

RESOLUTIONS (VOTING):

15. Meeting minutes from the last meeting, unanimously approved, one correction in addendum.

KEY DATES

16. Wednesday, February 28, 2018 next meeting

CLOSING REMARKS:

17. None

MEETING ADJOURNED: End Time 2:00 PM

Signed (Chairperson)
L. Parker