

## BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8

### MINUTES OF THE YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 24, 2012 AT THE BOARD OFFICE

#### Attendees

Lamont Parker  
Robert Press  
Nicole Stent  
Anita Antonetty  
Debra Epstein  
Barry Kogan  
Heidi Siesfeld  
Erik Maldonado  
Kathy Gilson  
Derwin Green  
Geronimo Ruiz  
Alina Williams

#### Affiliation

CB8, Committee Chair  
CB 8  
District Manager, CB 8  
DYCD, NAB Liaison  
Wave Hill  
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Poet/Teacher  
Riverdale Community Center, Executive Director  
Kingsbridge Heights Community Heights  
Marble Hill Community Center  
NYCHA, Fort Independence Houses

At 1:00pm the meeting was called to order:

#### New Business

Wave Hill representatives discussed their teen and family programs. Several programs included the "Restoring the Urban Forest", "Woodland Ecology in the City", "Winged Wonders", Saturday morning family programs and more. Each year they have around 20 summer internships for High School students, under the "Learn and Earn" program. A great majority come from the Bronx with a select few from Manhattan, Brooklyn and Queens. They also discussed their "Walk through Time" and "Plants through Time" Historical Studies. We were given Family Guest Passes to visit and enjoy their 28 acres of gardens and woodlands.

Anita Antonetty dispersed the 2011 Annual Report for the Department of Youth and Community Development (DYCD). She discussed DYCD services that the local Neighborhood Advisory Boards consider from service providers who answer RFP's sent out by DYCD. She added that the NAB's do a needs assessment of the local NAB area. CB 8 Board member Robert Press said that other services, are provided by DYCD such as the Out of School Time (OST) Programs, and items that City Council members allocate through other DYCD funding streams.

Erik Maldonado is an accomplished poet, writer and educator from Kingsbridge. He spoke of the successes his programs have had around the country, most notably in Lincoln Center. He shared some of his tools and offered ideas to the community centers. He is interested in bringing Poetry and Performance to the local schools (SLAM Poets).

The New York Yankees Youth Leadership Award - There are 7 students interested in the scholarship. The committee will choose 5 candidates to submit.

#### Future Business

The chair met with Van Cortlandt Golf and has arranged for a representative to attend the next Committee meeting to speak about planning a "Golf Day" for community youth through the local community centers.

The chair also met with the Riverdale Equestrian Center and a representative will attend the next Committee meeting to speak about hosting and coordinating a hands-on workshop involving the horses and stable for community youth through the local community centers.

The chair met with Target and the company will be sending a representative to discuss funding opportunities for local community centers in the area of Community Board 8 to benefit youth.

The next Youth Committee meeting will be on November 28th at 1 PM, at the Marble Hill Community Center, 5365 Broadway, Bronx, NY 10463.

**Adjourned Meeting**

A motion to adjourn was put before the committee, all of whom agreed. Meeting was adjourned at 2:15 PM

Submitted by,

Lamont Parker,  
Chair Youth Committee