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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 1995

IN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, MARY QUEEN OF PEACE HALL.

The meeting was called to order at 7:50 P.M. by Mr. Frank Muccioli, Chairman.

Frank reported that Thomas Lucania, District Manager has participated in the Severance Program and is no longer with the community board as of April 7, 1995.

Frank asked the new board members to stand and introduce themselves. They are: Elaine Weisbrot, Dr. Mahendra Patel, Hazel Miura and Joseph Thompson.

I. Gallery Session

a. Richard Mancuso

Rich thanked the board for the last year and all the help he had received. He stated that he was sorry to leave as Youth Coordinator. He thanked the Youth Committee, and stated that he would still be around to give any help that they might need.

Rich stated that he was here tonight representing the tenants of 1819 Williamsbridge Road regarding a tenant who is selling drugs. Rich stated that kids are throwing fire crackers from the roof and there is graffiti in the building. He said that the tenants addressed their complaints to the landlord and have called the police. He further stated that the tenants are afraid of this tenant as he has a pit bull. Rich stated that the tenants need help.

b. Howard Tannenbaum

Mr. Tannenbaum spoke about 2 scholarships at City University. One is the Ho Chin Min Scholarship and the other is the Joanne Cheslor Scholarship. Mr. Tannenbaum stated that this was an insult to the veterans and the police. He asked the board for the answers to three questions. Who established these scholarships? How long have they been in effect? What is the justification of these scholarships?

David Leavitt stated that the names of these scholarships had been changed.

Ken Gelnick advised Mr. Tannenbaum that he needs to speak to City University on his questions.

c. Bob Schluter

Mr. Schluter asked that the liquor license for the Train Depot not be renewed. He spoke about the excessive noise. Mr. Schluter stated that he cannot sleep at night, and that the police have been called numerous times. He also stated that he had spoken with Thomas Lucania about this numerous times. Mr. Schluter stated that the Train Depot has an aluminum ceiling that amplifies the sound. He also spoke about the knifings that have been going on there.

d. Fred Federico

Mr. Federico stated that he is the owner of property at 1133 Lydig Avenue and that there is noise at the Train Depot till 4 or 5 A.M. Mr. Federico spoke about the group of people who came from Queens on Saturday and were smoking pot and urinating against the building. Mr. Federico stated that the police come often.

e. Bessie Glosser

Ms. Glosser stated that she lives across from the Train Depot, and every Thursday, Friday and Saturday night she has to use a noise device to block out the outside noise.

f. P.O. Nick Stanich

P.O. Nick Stanich stated that four visits were made to the Train Depot under Operation Underage. On three occasions the officer was asked for proof of age, and on one occasion he was not. He stated that two C summonses were issued on March 30th for drinking in public in front of the establishment, and on April 13th 5 summonses were issued a few doors down from the Train Depot for drinking in public. Nick stated that there is police coverage from 9 P.M. to 3 A.M. He stated that he had spoken to Mr. Salute and that some of the things have gotten better, however the music is still a problem. Nick said that the police were sending a supervisor tonight to monitor the noise. He stated that someone will be monitoring the noise from Wednesdays to Saturdays.

Frank asked if the police are aware of the problems. Nick said they are, and they are taking care of what they can.

Frank asked Nick that whatever happens tonight at the Train Depot that the board be informed, and that those speakers here tonight about the Train Depot can come back next month for answers about the progress.

Al Locascio asked about roadblocks being set up to check for licenses, registrations etc. Nick said that it has been done before.

Dexter Hendon asked why a supervisor was going to the Train Depot in the middle of the week and not a Friday or Saturday night.

Nick said that there is coverage Wednesday to Saturday nights. Dexter asked if a supervisor was going to be there Wednesdays to Saturdays. Nick replied no. He stated that he was informed that this level of noise not only goes on during the weekends.

Joe Milone stated that there have been problems with this location before when it was Extra Innings. There have been shooting, knifings, fights with bats. Joe asked about noise pollution violations.

Pat Quaranta stated that the police department has been notified for the last five years on a weekly basis about the problems.

Dom spoke about the fact that five years ago the board turned down the request from Extra Innings for the same reasons, shootings, fights etc.

Pat asked if the police put in a recommendation that licenses not be renewed when there are violations.

Frank stated that when licenses come before the board for renewal the board asks the community groups in the area and the police if they have any objections before the board makes a decision.

Nick said that the police notify the State Liquor Authority when they issue violations.

g. Susan Horowitz - Public Advocates Office

Ms. Horowitz stated that she was from Mark Green's Office, and was here tonight to invite everyone to a Town Hall meeting on Monday, May 8th from 7:30-9:00 P.M. at Bronx House. Ms. Horowitz stated that Mr. Green has promised to visit every community board in the city, and to date has been to 22. Ms. Horowitz stated that the format will be that Mr. Green will speak and then the audience is invited to speak and ask questions.

Frank stated that the board had received invitations and thanked her. He stated that flyers on the meeting are available on the table.

h. Mel Hirsch

Mel thanked the board for the information that is sent to him. He stated that he was here tonight to talk about the capital budget. Mel stated that these items have been in the board's budget for many years and have still not been taken care of. He submitted a list of items to the Secretary. They are:

Item #2 - rehabilitate Zimmerman Playground; item #4 - rehabilitation of Pelham Parkway Roadways; item #6 - rehabilitate Bronx Park between Bronx River Parkway and Bronx Park East from Pelham Parkway South to Allerton Avenue; item #7 - construct parking facility near Westchester Square; item #9 - construct parking lot near Allerton Avenue and c.s. item - improve Boston Road.

i. Jeffrey Silverberg

Mr. Silverberg spoke about a house on the corner of Throop and Pelham Parkway North. He stated that it was bought by the New York Eye Center. He stated that they are going to demolish the house and build a large facility. Mr. Silverberg spoke about the parking problems that exist there now, and he stated that they will get worse if another facility is built.

Al asked if the board knew about it. Harriet stated that the office has not received anything on it. Al asked if they would need a variance.

Simeon said that a medical facility can be built in a residential area if they only use the first and ground floor for medical use.

Joe Milone asked Mr. Silverberg if he had spoken to the owner. Mr. Silverberg stated that Dr. Jerome Levy was the owner, but that he had not spoken to him.

Seymour spoke further on this issue.

j. David Leavitt

David spoke about a carnival that was held two weeks ago at P.S. 83 in the school yard. He stated that this was Passover and Good Friday, and he felt that this was the wrong time to hold this event. David asked that the School Board notify the board of these things in advance.

k. Bob Bieder

Mr. Bieder stated that he was here to represent the Coalition of Bronx Building Suppliers against Home Depot. He stated that the Coalition of Bronx Building Suppliers is a group of merchants in the northeast Bronx area that are going to be seriously impacted if Home Depot is allowed to build in the Bronx. He stated that when Home Depot comes into an area they move to monopolize and will put several merchants who now service their communities out of business. Mr. Bieder said that these merchants have contributed to their community by sponsoring little leagues, giving disaster relief, etc. Mr. Bieder stated that Home Depot says that they are creating new jobs, but in reality they are taking away more jobs than they create. He stated that when they made their presentation they stated that they are going to hire 250 people, and that 1/3 of these would be their own people. He stated that 25% of these would be full timers. Mr. Bieder said that Home Depot's practice has been that after 6 months they only keep the top 20-30 people. He stated that he represents 30 merchants. Mr. Bieder stated that Home Depot will not be generating new business, only taking it away from existing business. He asked the board to look at this. Mr. Bieder stated that Home Depot is opening a store in Flushing and one in New Rochelle. He stated that after awhile they will see that they don't need the Bronx store. Mr. Bieder spoke about the Economic Development Impact Statement that they were asked to provide. He also

stated that Chester Civic is not happy about them coming into the area nor is the Northeast Bronx Coalition.

1. Diane Cerino

Mrs. Cerino stated that she has lived at 192 Graham Place for 8 years. She stated that this street is between Matthews and Muliner Avenues on Morris Park Avenue. She stated that she was here tonight to ask for the board's help with a problem. Mrs. Cerino stated that the only entrance to her home is a vacant lot where the owner plans to put up a 4 foot fence. She stated that this fence will not allow her more than 3 feet of access. Mrs. Cerino stated that the owner of this lot bought it at auction many years ago. She stated that Graham Place is not a city street, not classified as such in the topographical office as being a city street. She further stated that even if it were, it is not accessible to vehicles. Mrs. Cerino stated that her primary concern is the safety factor as she only has one entrance to her home, and the street has no accessibility for safety vehicles. Mrs. Cerino stated that she has called many NYC Housing Department agencies, the Morris Park Community Association, the Morris Park Local Development Corporation, Community Board #11, the offices of Councilman Michael DeMarco and Borough President Ferrer as well as the 49th Precinct, Bronx Press Review and the Daily News. She stated that the Daily News was doing a story on her plight on Friday. Mrs. Cerino stated that she was informed that her property is land locked. She stated that she did not know how the city could have let this happen.

Frank stated that the board is aware of her problem, and that it has filed a complaint with the Building Department which we are awaiting a response from. He asked Mrs. Cerino to come to the May meeting to answer, and stated that once the board has a response from the Buildings Department a copy would be sent to her.

Harriet stated that she had spoke to and inspector at Buildings about the walkway problem and that an inspector would go out and look at it and get back to the board. She stated that owner of the lot does have a permit to erect the fence.

Al suggested that Mrs. Cerino speak with Susan Horowitz of the Public Advocates office.

Pat said that it is an unsafe street and there is no way for fire trucks to get down the street.

II. Minutes

A Motion was made by Rhoda Gogatz, Seconded by Ruth Burko - That the Minutes be accepted as received.

Unanimously passed.

III. Chairman's Report - Frank Muccioli

Frank stated that he would like to thank Borough President Fernando Ferrer for "lending" us Linda Loeb as Acting District

Manager. He also thanked the staff, Harriet, Susan and Margaret, for the job they have been doing in keeping the office running smoothly and efficiently. Frank stated that they have been doing a good job in keeping everything under control and the board appreciates it.

Frank announced that the following people are no longer board members: James Gisondi who submitted a letter of resignation; Lewis Goldstein who no longer lives in the board area; Scott Roveto who did not reapply and Andrew Udin, Youth Advisory who no longer lives in the Bronx.

Frank welcomed Hazel Miura, Dr. Mahendra Patel, Joseph Thompson and Elaine Weisbrot. Frank stated that board would be sending them information on its committees and asked that they choose three they would like to serve on.

Frank stated that with the resignation of James Gisondi the board needs a new Chairperson for the Community Development and Budget Priorities committee. He stated that he will be appointing someone.

Frank stated that since Lewis Goldstein was Secretary as well as signatory for board paperwork he was naming Blanche Rifkin as Acting Secretary and signatory for the remainder of the year.

Frank announced that the Bronx Council on the Arts will be honoring Blanche Rifkin on June 22nd for her accomplishments.

Frank welcomed Helen Korman representing Councilman Michael DeMarco, P.O. Nick Stanich of the 49th Precinct, Hermes Caraballo representing Borough President Fernando Ferrer and Danny Caestro representing Senator Joseph Galiber.

Street Activity Permit Application

Side Street Productions - 1332 Blondell Avenue - Application for a two day street festival on Blondell Avenue between Westchester and Ponton Avenues from 10 A.M. to 11:30 P.M. on Saturday, August 19th and from 8 A.M. to 11:30 P.M. on Sunday, August 20th with a rain date of August 26th and August 27th.

P.O. Stanich spoke. He stated that the Captain, Det. Valdespino and he had spoken with the owner, Arthur Ramos yesterday. Mr. Ramos is thinking about whether he is going to keep it indoors with the bandstand outside. P.O. Stanich stated that the police have not signed off on this yet.

A Motion was made by Pat Quaranta, seconded by Joe Milone - To table the vote on this until the May meeting.

Passed

2. Report on Search for new District Manager

Frank reported that the board has received 8 resumes. He

stated that the deadline for submission is May 5th. Any resumes received after that date, but postmarked before May 5th will be accepted.

IV. Borough President's Report -

As the report was lengthy Hermes Caraballo submitted the following to the Secretary:

THE BRONX PAYS HOMAGE TO AFRICAN-AMERICANS

More than 550 Bronxites joined Bronx Borough President Fernando Ferrer and community leaders at Eugenio Maria de Hostos Community College's main theater in the borough's celebration of African-American History Month.

Ferrer, in his opening remarks, lauded the numerous achievements and histories of the many people of The Bronx. "If we are Bronxites, we are all African-Americans," said Ferrer.

DOMINICAN HERITAGE CELEBRATION

February 24, 1995 - The Borough President honored the Dominican community at the Veteran's Memorial Hall.

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

March, 1995 - The Borough President honored Women's History Month at the Veteran's Memorial Hall.

IRISH HERITAGE CELEBRATION

March 28, 1995 - The Borough President honored the Irish American community at Gaelic Park.

GREEK HERITAGE CELEBRATION

March 31, 1995 - The Borough President honored the Greek community at the Zoodohos Peghe Church.

THE BRONX SALUTES OTUMFUO OPOKU WARE III, KING OF THE ASHANTI

Honoring Ghana's three-hundred year (1695-1995) celebration of cultural, political and socioeconomic independence, and the twenty-fifth anniversary of their king, Borough President Ferrer presented a proclamation to a liaison representing the Jubilee Charter and Tours, Inc. (USA) and the Highlight Travel Services of Toronto, Canada.

BOROUGH PRESIDENT FERRER RELEASED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT REGARDING MAYOR GIULIANI'S DECISION ON MEDICAID AND WELFARE CUTS

I congratulate Mayor Giuliani for reversing his positions with respect to seeking even steeper cuts than those Governor Pataki proposed, which would hammer young people, older people, disable people and poor people, as well as the working middle class. I also

congratulate Mayor Giuliani's wisdom in reading the polls and understanding what they mean. The preponderant majority of New Yorkers disapprove of his budget priorities.

FERRER WARNS THAT HARD TIMES HAVE CAUSED CITY & STATE TO TAKE "A WRONG TURN" AND SHOULD "LEARN A LESSON FROM THE BRONX" IN URBAN REVIVAL

Warning the city and state that "hard times are no excuse for giving up" on long term problems, Borough President Ferrer today urged in his 1995 State of the Borough Report a change in course that follows The Bronx's example of "Community empowerment, inclusion and bold action" in confronting challenges.

"This success," Ferrer said, "in meeting our problems comes at a time when Washington, Albany and City Hall offer no real solutions to the problems confronting this country...as if they might solve themselves, or just go away."

Ferrer attributed political expediency and the lack of a quick fix as a self-fulfilling rationale for inaction.

BOROUGH PRESIDENT FERRER RELEASED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT REGARDING THE 5TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TRAGIC FIRE AT THE HAPPY LAND CLUB

The Happy Land fire on March 25, 1990, claimed the lives of 87 people--mostly immigrant Hondurans--who were inside the social club at the time it started. An intentional fire set by spurned lover Julio Gonzalez, with the intent to harm his estranged girlfriend who worked at the club destroyed 87 productive lives and their survivors.

Five years after "el accidente" a great number of the survivors have lost faith in the judicial system. They have encountered "roadblock after roadblock" in their efforts to piece back together their lives.

Susan Karten, legal counsel for the survivors recently said "everyone has failed these people". This is a real failure of the system.

On the eve of the fifth anniversary I pledge to continue my support for the inclusion of the family members who feel "isolated and unfairly treated by the legal system," said Ferrer.

BOROUGH PRESIDENT FERRER URGES GOVERNOR TO KEEP BRONX ALCOHOLISM TREATMENT CENTER OPEN

Bronx Borough President Ferrer has joined the fight to save the borough's only Alcoholism Treatment Center from Governor Pataki's budget axe.

In a letter to the governor, Ferrer said the scheduled April 1st closing of the 20 year old facility would subject Bronx residents seeking services to undue hardship. "It has been through the

efforts made at this facility that many individuals suffering from addictions have been able to turn their lives around and are now tax paying, productive citizens," said Ferrer.

The Bronx ATC is the only inpatient alcoholism and addiction rehabilitation unit in The Bronx serving a mostly poor and indigent population. Patients often have significant medical, social and/or psychiatric problems. Treatment at the ATC lasts an average of six weeks, after which patients are generally referred to aftercare, housing and other rehabilitation services where they are offered assistance with parenting skills, vocational counseling and other services.

The facility is expected to generate almost \$1 million for the 1994-95 fiscal year, an amount that offsets more than 60% of its operating costs to New York State.

CHINA TRADE DELEGATION VISITS THE BRONX

Good fortune visited Bronx businesses last Wednesday when a senior trade delegation from the People's Republic of China arrived in the borough to explore international trade opportunities with local companies. Some 50 Bronx businessmen joined Bronx Borough President Fernando Ferrer and Bronx Overall Economic Development Corporation President Kevin Nunn, in welcoming the 12 member delegation from Wuxi County. Also on hand to greet the potential new trade partners were BOEDC Board members Roosevelt Day and Michael Nunez, who heads the Board's International Trade Committee, as well as Joel Barkin, NYC Regional Director of the U.S. Department of Commerce/International Trade Administration, Anastasia Xenias, International Trade Specialist with the U.S. Department of Commerce Nina Liberman, Chief of International Programs for the NYS Department of Economic Development/International Division.

STOP THE VIOLENCE WEEK - MAY 7TH THRU 14TH

BRONX WEEK - MAY 21ST THRU 27TH

V. Committee Reports

A. Health and Social Services - Blanche Comras Rifkin

Blanche reported that on Sunday April 30th there will be a 5 mile marathon run beginning at Bronx House at 7:30 A.M. She stated that D.A. Robert Johnson will be firing the starting gun.

Blanche reported on the budget as it affects Bronx Psychiatric. She stated that there is an alcoholism unit at Bronx Psychiatric which keeps alcoholics off the streets. She stated that they don't stay for a long length of time, only until they dry out. Blanche stated that they it has been closed for the last two months. She stated that they are not taking any new patients.

1. Vote on application by the People Live-In Center to operate an Individual Residential Alternative for 10 developmentally disabled adults at 1815 White Plains Road.

Blanche reported that a public hearing on this application was held on March 13th. She stated that the board has not been informed if they have been funded.

A Motion was made by Blanche Rifkin, Seconded by Rhoda Gogatz - That Community Board #11 disapprove of this site.

David Leavitt asked if there was any alternate site. Blanche stated that Thomas Lucania had 4 alternate sites but they were not acceptable.

A roll call vote was taken. With 31 members voting in favor of disapproving this site and 4 members abstaining.

Those voting in favor of disapproving the site were:

Ruth Burko; Dominic Castore; John Cifichiello; Anthony DelGaudio; Patrick Dolan; Mauro Fanelli; Harain Figueroa; Kenneth Gelnick; Rhoda Gogatz; Simeon Goldstein; Dexter Hendon; Ralph Lanzilli; David Leavitt; Alfred Locascio; Silvio Mazzella; Leslie McHenry; Joseph Milone; Frank Muccioli; Hazel Miura; Seymour Ostroga; Dr. Mahendra Patel; Pat Quaranta; Joseph Reda; William Ricevuto; Blanche Comras Rifkin; Madeline Saltaformaggio; Mark Shkreli; Mordechai Twersky; Elaine Weisbrot; Linda White and Lisa Winters.

Those abstaining were: Lorraine Cortes-Vazquez; Rabbi Moshe Fuchs; Robert Potter and Joseph Thompson.

B. Economic Development - Simeon Goldstein

1. Alcohol Beverage Control License Renewals

a. The Train Depot - 2055 Williamsbridge Road for on-premises consumption

A Motion was made by Simeon Goldstein, Seconded by Rhoda Gogatz - That Community Board #11 send a letter to the Alcohol Beverage Control Bureau asking that the license for Train Depot not be renewed.

Passed.

Simeon asked that the Board send a letter to the state legislators asking that they change the law for application renewals so that if the board has good reason to disapprove it will be done.

b. Caffe Elisa - 2197 White Plains Road for on-premise consumption

Simeon stated that he had spoken to Pat Quaranta on this site and that Pat stated he was against it. Simeon stated that he was informed that a summons had been issued to Caffe Elisa and that they defaulted on it.

Simeon made a motion that the board not approve this renewal.

Discussion took place on what the summons was for and Simeon took back his motion.

A Motion was made by Simeon Goldstein, Seconded by Rhoda Gogatz - That a vote on this license renewal be tabled until the May meeting.

A question was raised as to how tabling this vote would affect the owners getting the license renewed. Frank stated that they may already have received a renewal, but at least the board will have gone on record as to its feelings.

Passed.

c. Top Lunchroom - 2197 White Plains Road for on-premises consumption

A Motion was made by Simeon Goldstein, Seconded by Dom Castore - That Community Board #11 notify the Alcohol Beverage Control Bureau that it has no objections to the issuing of this license renewal.

Passed.

Simeon reported that he had attended a meeting of the White Plains Road Business Improvement District. He stated that there was nothing on the agenda about including the north side of Pelham Parkway in the BID. Simeon stated that when he asked about this those present objected to the inclusion. Simeon elaborated on how the merchants on the north side could get their own BID.

C. Economic Development/Land Use -Kenneth Gelnick

1. Report on joint meeting held on April 25th regarding the proposed development on the Gun Hill Road Retail Development Project with Home Depot as the main tenant.

Ken reported that a meeting was held on this proposed project with owner, community groups, community residents and committee members. He stated that the U.L.U.R.P. may come before the board by the May or June meeting. Ken stated that a traffic study will need to be done about making Ely Avenue one way going towards Gun Hill Road. He also stated that the board will need to hold a public hearing on this. Ken said that we are awaiting an Economic Impact Study.

Harriet stated that she had spoke with Thomas regarding Chester Civic's request that Ely Avenue be made one way, and a letter will be sent from the board to Traffic requesting that a study be done on this.

D. Youth Services - Linda White

1. Report on FY'96 funding recommendations

Linda reported that the Committee could not give the board its

recommendations as the Department of Youth Services has not given the Committee its ratings as yet. She stated that 7 groups have applied. Linda stated that Madeline, Mort, Rich and she have reviewed the applications of the groups who applied. She stated that they are waiting for the budget mods to know how much money they will have.

2. Summer Youth Employment Program

Linda reported that Pathways for Youth in Board #9 is the sponsor in this area. She stated that due to the uncertainty of the budget Pathways has not been given any slots yet. She stated that they have been told to set up four dates to have the teens bring in their applications for processing. Linda said that they will be given random numbers and be sent post cards. If by the time the budget goes through Pathways finds out that they have 600 positions they will be allowed to process up to 300 applications at a time. If, by the end of the budget process they find out that they can fill 750 jobs and they have processed 600 applicants in 2 dates they will cease to except any applications. She stated that this means that the rest of the applicants will not have jobs. Linda stated we do not know how many youth from our board will have jobs.

Linda reported that an R.F.P. for Community Service will be coming out. She stated that she was told that the smaller groups could not apply, only large groups such as Pathways or N.I.D.C. are eligible.

Linda reported that the Harmony Day Picnic will be in July. She stated that she did not have a date yet.

Linda reported that on Monday evening there was a boro wide speak out at the Rotunda. She stated that since the date of the Youth Committee had already been set the Committee did not attend. She stated that she was told that there would be a second speak out date.

E. Housing - Leslie McHenry

Leslie reported that the Housing Information Fair will take place on May 23rd at Bronx House from 6 to 9 P.M. She stated that there will be representatives from the Police Department, Department of Housing, Commission on Human Rights as well as other groups. She stated that information will be available on mortgages, tenant organizing, building security, housing court, tenant rights, first time home buying and other informative things.

F. Nominations - Leslie McHenry

Leslie stated that since the Committee was not aware that James Gisondi had resigned they did not have a name for the Treasurer position. She stated that slate as voted by majority is:

Chairman - Dominic Castore
First Vice Chairman - Alfred Locascio
Second Vice Chairman - Gerald Launer
Secretary - Ruth Burko

Leslie asked each of the candidates present if they accepted and they did. Gerald Launer was absent. Leslie stated that a letter would be sent to him asking if he accepts the nomination.

Leslie opened to floor to nominations.

A Motion was made by Simeon Goldstein, Seconded by Blanche Rifkin - That Frank be nominated for Chairman. Frank was asked if he accepted and he replied that he did.

There were no nominations for First Vice Chairman, Second Vice Chairman or Secretary.

A Motion was made by Al Locascio, Seconded by Dom Castore - That Ralph Lanzilli be nominated for Treasurer. Ralph was asked if he accepted and he replied that he did.

A Motion was made by Ruth Burko, Seconded by David Leavitt - That Linda White be nominated as Treasurer. Linda was asked if she accepted and she replied that she did.

Leslie stated that there will be nominations at the May meeting.

G. Education and Culture - Ruth Burko

Ruth reported that she had received notice from the Office of Management and Budget that they have approved funds for upgrading libraries. She stated that the Van Nest Library is on this list.

H. Highways, Traffic and Transportation - Rabbi Moshe Fuchs

Rabbi Fuchs reported that he had received information from the MTA that there are going to be changes in the bus and train schedules as to time. He stated the buses effecting Board #11 are the #4, #19, #21 and #39. Rabbi Fuchs stated that this to take place effective the summer of 1995.

Rabbi Fuchs reported that there is going to be a meeting on the Access to the Region's Core Project (ARC) on May 9 from 6-8 P.M. in the Board room at 347 Madison Avenue. He stated that they will explain how they will try and improve transit in the area.

Rabbi Fuchs reported that he had received a letter from Alex T. Langston, Director of Customer Relations for Amtrak saying that he is going to look into the situation on the deteriorating conditions on the property near Sackett Avenue.

Rabbi Fuchs reported that a traffic light has been installed at Waldbaum's.

Rabbi Fuchs reported that work on the escalator on White Plains Road is scheduled to be completed in early 1996.

Rabbi Fuchs spoke about the fact that there are no no parking signs on Pelham Parkway North Service Road and people are getting

tickets. He spoke about the tickets being given out on Morris Park Avenue.

I. Sanitation and Environmental Protection - Ralph Lanzilli

Ralph reported that the scorecard of cleanliness for December was 78% and was 86% in March.

Ralph reported that Environmental Protection is starting to take samples in Queens on the combined sewer overflow. Ralph stated that they will be starting in the Bronx next.

J. Public Safety - Joseph Reda

Joe said that the Crime Stats for March were:

	1994	1995	% Change
Robbery	70	40	7.5 Down
Burglary	111	85	3.0 Down
Grand Larceny Auto	177	131	3.5 Down
Murder	3	0	3.0 Down
Rape	4	1	3.0 Down

	YEAR-TO-DATE		
Robbery	200	134	4.9 Down
Burglary	298	226	3.2 Down
Grand Larceny Auto	443	336	3.2 Down
Murder	4	0	400 Down
Rape	9	3	20 Down

	ARRESTS		
Robbery	25	14	7.8 Down
Burglary	12	8	5.0 Down
Grand Larceny Auto	1	7	600 Up
Murder	3	0	300 Down
Rape	4	0	400 Down

Total Felonies	364	361
Total Complaints	1378	1096

K. Parks and Playgrounds - John Cifichiello

John reported that in the packet the board received there was a form from Parks. He asked everyone to fill it out and send it in.

John spoke about the upcoming budget hearings. He spoke about the need for the board members and Chairs to come to the budget hearings.

John stated that there are 153 playgrounds in the Bronx. He stated that the Associates who take care of the parks will have to double up.

VIII. Old Business

Robert Potter spoke about the incident that happened at Colum-

bus High School between the Albanians and the Zulu Nation. He stated that he attended a meeting on April 13th with Thomas. Bob said that few board members and community people attended. The police were there. He stated the school closes by 1:00 P.M.

There being no further business before the board the meeting adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Muccioli Chairman

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