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Full Board Meeting
Thursday, February 22, 2018
Einstein College of Medicine's Lubin Hall
1200 Van Nest Avenue

MINUTES

- 1) The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m.
- 2) The board recited the Pledge of Allegiance and maintained a moment of silence for our fallen first responders, military service personnel and the victims of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School shooting.
- 3) United States Postal Service
 - (i) John Vioa, U.S. Postal Inspector, spoke about ensuring that mail is deposited in box before nightly pick up. Questions asked by Board members and answered.
 - (ii) U.S. Postal Office Branch Representatives Genie Martinez and Eugena Wooduff answered questions about packages being left outside as well as mail being delivered late.
 - (iii) Members of the public were invited to attend Post Office Forum the third week of the month.
- 4) NYPD Captain Thomas Alps presented monthly statistics and spoke about the new NCO program.
- 5) Gallery Session
 - (i) Gene DeFrancis spoke about gas line under Holland Avenue that will need to be repaired in the next three years.
 - (ii) Natalia Fernandez spoke about upcoming special election to fill Assembly seat and stated that she is no longer the Governor's regional representative.
 - (iii) Carole Bailey spoke about dog mess on sidewalks.
 - (iv) Larry Mauriello of the Allerton Avenue Merchants Association gave a list of new officers and upcoming events.
 - (v) Manny Martinez of the NY Public library spoke about upcoming events.
 - (vi) Raphael Schweitzer of the BPECA spoke about proposed 6 story building at 2241 White Plains Road.
- 6) Elected Officials
 - (i) Thomas Lucania, of the Bronx Borough President's office, distributed the Borough President's monthly report and discussed pending legislation to prevent catastrophic fires.
 - (ii) Marilyn Ceilema, Scheduler for Councilman Mark Gjonaj, gave the office's new address and announced upcoming events.

- (iii) Joseph McManus of Councilman Ritchie Torres' office spoke about 2141 White Plains Road
- (iv) Adam Bermudez of Councilman Andy King's office announced upcoming events and spoke about legislation relating to trees in front of private residence.
- (v) Christina Lang, Director of Constituent Services Senator Jeffrey Klein, announced upcoming events and spoke about sex offender legislation and property exemption for seniors.

7) Chairman's Report

- (i) Board Chair Anthony Vitaliano made a motion (seconded by Sandi Unger) to accept the January Board minutes. **PASSED WITH ONE AGAINST** (LINDA WHITE).
- 8) District Manager's Report; Jeremy Warneke spoke about the following issues:
 - (i) Alternate side parking request for Gunther Ave
 - (ii) Chase Auto Group parking vehicles for sale on public streets
 - (iii) Area-wide traffic study request for Bassett Ave
 - (iv) Flooding along Pelham Parkway
 - (v) Pelham Parkway North Reconstruction
 - (vi) Sidewalk enclosures
 - (vii) Intersection of Neill and Tomlinson Ave and Eastchester Road north of Waring Avenue
 - (viii) 2440 Esplanade No Parking Anytime signs
 - (ix) I-95 repaying

9) Committee Reports

- (i) Economic Development
 - 1. Motion by Dominick Schiano (seconded by Sandi Unger) to send the New York State Liquor Authority an email of <u>NO OBJECTION</u> regarding the renewal liquor, wine and beer license application for Luke's Lounge, 1808 Hone Ave. **PASSED with two opposed** (Anthony Vitaliano and David Leavitt) and three abstentions (Tasneem Aljayyousi, Yahay Obeid and Patricia Charles).
 - 2. Motion by Dominick Schiano (seconded by Junior Campbell) to send the New York State Liquor Authority an email of <u>NO OBJECTION</u> regarding the renewal wine and beer license application for Lin's Garden Restaurant Inc.,1506 Bronxdale Ave. **PASSED with three abstentions** (Tasneem Aljayyousi, Yahay Obeid and Patricia Charles).
 - Motion to send the New York State Liquor Authority an email of <u>NO OBJECTION</u> regarding the alteration of the liquor, wine and beer license application for La Masa Corp., 1000 Morris Park Ave.
 PASSED with two abstentions (Tasneem Aljayyousi and Yahay Obeid).
- (ii) Leadership
 - 1. Al D'Angelo reported that the April calendar was approved. Andrea Siegel reported a conflict with the Parks Committee date as there is a previosuly scheduled meeting with Councilman Gjonaj.

- (iii) Community Development and Budget Priorities
 - 1. Dr. Mahendra Patel reported that the committees needs budget priorities.
- (iv) Education, Culture & Youth Services
 - 1. Diane Norris reported on upcoming events, SYEP applications and pre-college fair. The minutes were submitted for the Board's review.
- (v) Health
 - 1. The minutes were submitted.
- (vi) Housing
 - 1. Janice Walcott reported that the committee will visit other sites of contractor for 4121 White Plains Road.

(vii) Parks

- 1. Pat Charles discussed changing meeting date with the committee chair.
- (viii) Public Safety
 - 1. Yahay Obeid reported that the minutes were submitted.
- (ix) Sanitation
 - 1. Tony Signorile reported that the committee did not meet. A guest speaker is scheduled for next month.

10) Old Business

- 1. Shrado asked about Bronxdale Avenue and White Plains Road on Van Nest Avenue. Jeremy will follow-up.
- 2. Linda White asked about the outcome of the Transportation hearing.

11) New Business

- 1. Bernadette Ferrara announced upcoming coat drive.
- 2. Sandi Unger thanked Board for fruit basket sent by the Board office after the deather of her sister.
- 3. Andrea Siegel announced next 49th Precinct Council meeting and Town Hall meeting.
- 4. Patricia Charles spoke about potholes on Boston Road.
- 5. Edith Blitzer announced that the next meeting of BPENA is scheduled for 3/28/18
- 6. Yahay Obeid announced free screening
- 7. Lisa Soto asked how long project on Morris Park and Eastchester Road will take; Jeremy said it should be completed by Fall.

12) Adjournment

1. The meeting was adjourned at 9:21 p.m.