

Phil Cantor Studio March 2, 2016

Board members in attendance: Phil Cantor, Arlene Carrini, Israel Cronk, Michael Gillespie, Diane Israel, Lisa Johnson, Debbie Masel, Kazim Mirza, Sharda Ramharack, Sue Schultz, Matt Silverman, Nicci Silva, Joann Smalls, Sean Spiller, Jerry Sweeney, and Robert Weber.

Meeting came to order at 7:04 p.m.

There were no minutes from February. January minutes were approved unanimously. Michael moved, seconded by Sue Schultz.

Robert discussed a BID application for a DBIZ loan. This would be used for a green machine and removable on-street bollards. Although we can borrow up to \$100,000 without a match, we are asking for no more than \$79,000. The loan application deadline is March 16th. A resolution in support of the application (attached) and a resolution authorizing the Executive Committee to adjust the loan budget down if they saw fit, was moved by Jerry, seconded by Robert, and passed unanimously.

Israel Cronk, a finalist candidate for the position for Executive Director was introduced and gave a presentation on how he would run the Montclair Center BID and how the organization would move forward. Israel is presently the manager of Bangz and a current Board member of the BID. After the presentation, Israel answered questions and then left the meeting.

Valerie Lynch, the second finalist for the position of Executive Director, was introduced and gave a presentation to the Board on her qualifications. Valerie lives in Montclair but has worked with BIDs in Brooklyn Heights and DUMBO. After her presentation, Valerie answered questions and then left the meeting.

A discussion of the two candidates ensued. It was agreed that both candidates brought strengths to the position, but on balance the majority present recommended the Executive Committee pursue hiring Israel for the position.

Meeting adjourned 10:00 p.m.