

York Road Partnership
General Meeting Minutes
October 4, 2017

Enoch Pratt Free Library – Govans Branch 5714 Bellona Avenue

The October meeting was called to order at 7:17 P.M. by President Donna Blackwell

President Blackwell welcomed all present and asked each member to introduce him/herself and to answer the question “What I would tell an Alien about my neighborhood” .

Donna Blackwell discussed “Community Agreements” a series of ground rules created by AORTA (Anti- Oppression Resource and Training Alliance applicable to all organizations. www.aorta.coop

Patrick Cassidy, Loyola’s CCSJ, Asst. Dir. Outreach & Advocacy reported on the Kirwan Commission Public Hearings regarding School funding. Commission is looking at school funding Statewide wherein only 4 out of 24 MD jurisdictions are deemed fully funded. Baltimore City is clearly one of the underfunded subdivisions. BEC is working through its “Fix the Gap” Campaign. Next Hearing will be at 5:00 PM at Baltimore Polytechnic High School on October 11th. It is imperative all who can please be present.

Malik Jordan from the Loyola York Road Initiative was introduced. He will help Loyola design the next layer of the planning process so that Loyola can use resources toward all endeavors York Road residents, organizations, and partners are undertaking. The goal is to support the development of a common agenda with a common effort.

Major announcements:

- Youth Committee will hold the Guilford Walter P Carter Schools Unity Event October 7th 12:00 noon to 4:00 PM at Carter Elementary Middle – All Welcome
- District Wide Meeting Monday, October 16th at Mercy High School 6-8 PM –Meet the Mayor
- B’more Birds Mural Celebration to commemorate new Murals on York Road – Stay tuned
- GEDCO Fall happy Hour Oct 12th at Birroteca Restaurant 5:00PM Proceeds benefit GEDCO.

Meeting was adjourned by President Blackwell.

Respectfully submitted:
Francesco Legaluppi, Recording Secretary/ Treasurer