

**Manhattan Young Democrats
General Meeting 1/19/10**

I. Motion to lower the membership dues from \$35 to \$20 – vote by affirmation, motion passes

- a. New membership pays dues

II. Amendments

- a. Committee renaming and official creation – vote by affirmation, motion passes
 - i. Transportation
 - ii. Education
 - iii. CASE (Community and Social Equity)
 - iv. Finance
- b. Creation of Creative Director as a board-level position – vote by affirmation, motion passes
- c. Creation of Field Director as a board-level position – vote by affirmation, motion passes
- d. Creation of Social Media Director as a board-level position- vote by raising hands, Yes: 18/ No: 7, motion passes

III. Elections

- a. Treasurer: Reggie Thomas - vote by affirmation, Reggie is elected
- b. Secretary: Heather James - vote by affirmation, Heather is elected
- c. Vice-President: Emmy Suzuki Harris - vote by affirmation, Emmy is elected
- d. President: Taylor Stirek - vote by affirmation, Taylor is elected

IV. Speeches by New Electeds

- a. Taylor speaks about MYD's direction
- b. Emmy speaks about goals for the year
- c. Heather speaks about the Secretary's role
- d. Reggie speaks about the Treasurer's role and asks everyone to bring a friend to the next meeting

V. Member Time

- a. Al Benninghoff
 - i. Asks how to apply for a directorship
 - ii. Talks about next week's newsletter
- b. Matt Bishop
 - i. Talks about healthcare cuts in Queens
 - ii. What can Young Dems do to affect the national conversation
 - iii. Concerns about healthcare cuts at the State-level
 - iv. Asks MYD to help him as he works with Unions such as 1199/SEIU to set an agenda
 - v. Ask MYD'ers to reach out to interested professors