

COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8 BRONX

**MINUTES OF THE YOUTH COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON March 26, 2008
AT THE COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8 BRONX OFFICE
5676 RIVERDALE AVENUE**

PRESENT:

Cassandra Prentice
Nicole Stent
Thomas Durham
Traci Callender
Mayra Estrada
Nancy Nunez

AFFILIATION:

CB 8
CB 8 District Manager
CB 8
Kingsbridge Heights Community Center
Riverdale Mental Health Association
Riverdale Neighborhood House

Committee Chairperson, members, and guest were introduced.

Motion to approve January 31, 2008 Committee Meeting Minutes was put before the committee who agreed, unanimously.

New Business:

Prior to the start of the meeting, Cassandra Prentice was given a tour of the programming and administrative areas of Riverdale Mental Health Association. Joyce Pilsner was the escort and indoctrinated Ms. Prentice on the full spectrum of services offered by RMH. The tour was a precursor to a presentation to the Committee by Mayra Estrada, a RMH clinician.

Ms. Estrada provided the Committee with a broad overview of the services offered by Riverdale Mental Health, which opened the floor to a lively and impassioned discussion around the needs of the community, particularly our youth, and the wonderful work carried out at RMH. The committee would like to thank Joyce Pilsner, Mayra Estrada, and the staff of RMH for their time, the invaluable work they are doing in the community, and for all that they hope to do for the young people who are suffering the ills of substance abuse and behavioral issues.

Old Business:

Nicole Stent provided an update on the development of the CB 8 Youth Services Directory. Ms. Stent informed the members that the last Youth Services Directory had been issued in 1993 and was currently the primary project of the

office student intern. As part of the revision of the directory, she provided members with the listing for their organizations requesting updated information. Needless to say, the lists were outdated and did not accurately reflect the services currently offered by these agencies. Mayra Estrada, Nancy Nunez and Traci Callender will update their service roster and absent members will be mailed copies for updating/revising. The updated listings are due back to the Board office in 2 weeks or April 9th.

Submitted by,

Cassandra Prentice
Chairperson
Youth Committee

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