

COMMITTEE FOR CONCERNS OF THE AGING MINUTES

Thursday, November 1st, 2018

At ARC XVI Senior Center

Committee Members:

Present: Mary Anderson, Chair; Fern Hertzberg, Asst. Chair; Rabbi Yosef Kalinsky

Absent:

Excused: Norma DeCandido, Public Member

Board Members:

Guests: Ann McCosh; Liliete Lopez, CIDNY; Joan Bowen; Audrey Balkarasingh; Joseph Rosenbaum; Altagracia Alfonso; Bielka Munoz; Gus Kiffee; Miriam Conovan

Meeting called to order at 10:30 AM by Mary Anderson, Chair. Welcome extended to all. Introductions made.

(1) Presentation made by Joan Bowen regarding "Disability Etiquette". Presentation included consideration of a person's disability when interacting with them and suggestions for appropriate ways to approach and assist people with particular disabilities such as vision or hearing impairment, mobility impairment with a cane or wheelchair or walker. Very specific do's and don'ts were presented.

(2) Presentation made by Liliete Lopez, Outreach worker for Center for Independence of the Disabled. This Center has been advocating for rights of the disabled person since 1978. They connect people to services and resources free for both short term and long term needs. Includes referrals for eviction issues, applications for housing, DRIE, SCRIE, SNAP, SSA. Offices in all 5 boroughs offer clients a choice of office. This is a "one shop stop" for people with any kind of disability including intellectual disability.

(3) New Business: Capital and Expense Budget Board ranking reviewed. Agreement that committee items did well.

(4) Old Business: Answer to reimbursement rate for Nurse Practitioners is that NP's are reimbursed 80% of what MD's are from insurance companies.

(5) Next meeting will be 12/6/18 at the Dyckman Senior Center. Meeting adjourned at 12:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Anderson, Chair

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