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February 14, 2017 Health & Social Services Committee Meeting Minutes

PRESENT: Joe Bacote, Chair; Marnie Rodriguez; Joanne Rubino; and Sandra Unger.

EXCUSED: Marcy Gross, Co-Chair; and Al D'Angelo.

GUEST(S): Sean Petty, and Martha Ayon, NYSNA.

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Sean Petty and Martha Ayon from NYSNA spoke about problems at Jacobi and bedding issues. People waiting in the hallway for beds. DSH funding has been cut or reduced. Budget problems include one to one cuts in Affordable Care Act. Due to cuts facility asked to cut 21 positions of managerial staff. Jacobi asked to make more cuts of staff. No new hires, cuts will be done by attrition.

Pediatric ICU – Mr. Petty spoke of situations in the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit and other special units where patients may need one-to-one ratio. Pediatric Inpatient Unit has a cap. Once the cap is reached they are sent elsewhere. Mr. Petty asked the Board to send a letter of inquiry about the situation at Jacobi, asking what is happening due to the cuts. Also, questions about staffing i.e.

Pediatric ICU.

Motion by Joanne Rubino, Seconded by Sandra Unger - That Community Board 11 send an email of inquiry to Jacobi Medical Center regarding budget cuts and the impact they have or may be having on patient care.

UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.

Ms. Ayon suggested a town hall meeting to address the situation at Jacobi. She also gave us information on the Enhanced Safety Net Hospital Legislation (attached) and spoke about lobbying Albany for more funding.. NYSNA also lobbying for Single Payor System. Joanne spoke about the situation at Montefiore and is waiting for information from Misha Gaus regarding staffing and ER problems

2017 Health Fair – John sent in the request to Parks for Loreto Park usage for May 6. Discussion on Health Fair attendees took place. Joe will talk to FDNY and dentist. Sandi will talk to AARP and Jacobi.

Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Minutes taken by Sandra Unger, edited by staff.