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COMMUNITY BOARD 7



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HEALTH & HOSPITALS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 8, 2016 @ 6:30 PM

I. Attendance sheet filed.

- A. Members in Attendance: Gregory Clarke Sr., Alfred Grant, Alora Bailey & Ruth Santana
- B. Absent Member: Gloria Bent
- C. Excused Members: Cynthia O'Neal-Riley & Helene Hartman-Kutnowsky
- D. CB 7 Members & Staff in Attendance: John Snider, Velvet Ross & Andrew Sandler
- E. Community Members: Perry Frankel, M.D., Sheila Sanchez, Anthony Riviuccio & Stephen Avallone

II. Topics on the Agenda

- A. Presentation from Rasheeda Petersen from MetroPlus (Cancelled)
- B. Presentation from Dr. Perry Frankel concerning his firm's participation in Health Fairs in the CB 7 Community Area
- C. April Meeting Agenda Plans & Potential Mental Health Forum for the Fall/Winter 2016

III. Presentation from MetroPlus (Cancelled)

- A. As per the communications that were conveyed on Monday, March 7th, MetroPlus was unable to present to this committee due to staffing issues

IV. Presentation from Dr. Perry Frankel

- A. Dr. Frankel is the Medical Director of Advanced Cardiovascular Diagnostics whose headquarters are in Lake Success, New York. This firm has expressed a potential Bronx location at 953 Southern Boulevard in Community Board 2.
- B. His presentation was based on helping the Bronx as a whole to #NOT62; which relates to the campaign headed by the Department of Mental Health & Hygiene to bring the county out of the last place position when it comes to Health.
- C. Dr. Frankel shared that his Private Practice has participated in community health fairs, screenings that have been completed with church members at various places of worship & he was gauging how he can be effective in CB 7 area.
- D. Through a spirited debate/question & answer period, Dr. Frankel was able to answer the questions posed by the Committee Members in attendance and the community residents who were participating as well.
- E. With the assistance of the District Manager, we tabled the discussion in reference to Dr. Frankel presenting his proposal during the Public Portion of the General Board Meeting for March which at that time; the full Membership will be able to hear the proposal as a whole.

V. Upcoming Presentation:

- A. For the month of April, we will have a presentation concerning Smoking Cessation along with having Executive Members from North Central Bronx Hospital to share with the Health & Hospitals Committee the experiences that this facility is experiencing at this present time



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VI. Committee's Vision:

- A. We shared finally the vision of a Mental Health Forum that would be done in conjunction with the Public Safety Committee. Their chair, John Snider, shared briefly some of his thoughts concerning said Forum and the possibility of having a Joint Committee Meeting between Health & Public Safety (with the respective members included) to formulate a Plan that can be given to the Executive Committee for discussion and a Vote on its merits.

VII. Adjourned Meeting at 7:40pm