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January 13th, 2025

Health and Human Services and Education and Unhoused & Shelter Committee

Meeting Minutes

This meeting was teleconferenced using Zoom

Attendees:

Lauren Springer, Chair
Amparo Abel-Bey, Vice Chair
Leticia Vasquez

Absentees:

Warren Davis
Nellie Afshar
John Bahia
Danielle Brecker
Dr. Rosamond Gianutsos
Benjamin Lucas

Health and Human Services Public Members – Present

Robert Wohner

Health and Human Services Public Members – Absent

Olivia Jackson Lewis

Community Board 2 Staff

MaryAnn Gurrado

Guest

Raida Hossain, LiveOnNY, Community and Government Affairs Liaison.

- Lauren Springer welcomes everyone to the meeting.
- Raida Hossain provided a presentation titled *LiveOnNY: The Facts about Organ, Eye, and Tissue Donation* and it provides an overview of LiveOnNY, explains how organ donation occurs, outlines how an individual can apply for a transplant, and dispels myths surrounding organ donation. A copy of the presentation is attached under the name Attachment One.
- Q&A

“Serving the Communities of Long Island City, Sunnyside, Woodside, and Maspeth”

- The committee meeting participants held a motion to allow LiveOnNY to send a one pager for the community board's next newsletter. The one-pager will include information about LiveOn Ny The motion was unanimously supported by the committee meeting participants.
- Amparo Abel-Bey made a motion, and it was seconded by Lauren Springer. All were in favor of the motion with none opposed and no abstentions. The motion allowed LiveOnNY to send a one-pager so it can be in the community board's next newsletter. The one-pager will provide an overview of LiveOnNY, its mission, and its initiatives to increase organ donation.
- Lauren Springer re-introduces Leticia's idea of having a presentation on the dangers of subway surfing to discourage people from engaging in that activity. Lauren suggests that it may be worth considering partnering with the technology committee to collaborate on a project aimed at discouraging subway surfing.
- Leticia Vasquez reports that Chancellor Melissa Aviles-Ramos will hold a town hall at PS 11 on February 3rd, 2025. She mentions that she will ask what NYC public schools are doing to deter and address subway surfing.
- Lauren Springer and Amparo Abel-Bey informed the rest of the committee meeting participants that they had attended a meeting with CIDNY, the Center for Independence of Disabled NY. They interacted with the executive director and the community engagement liaison. Lauren Springer announced she is considering inviting staff from CIDNY to give a presentation on their organization and how the community board can be more accessible and inclusive to people with disabilities, such as creating maps that are usable by color-blind.
- Lauren Springer thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by:

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