

BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD 6
YOUTH/HUMAN SERVICES/EDUCATION COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 25, 2013

PRESENT

L. ANDERSON
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P. BELLENBAUM
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J. BERNARD
C. PETERSEN

R. CERVONE
C. PIGOTT

*****MINUTES*****

Introductions of the many new members were made.

Human Services Co-Chair Benjamin Solotaire led the discussion of two programs that provide STEM tech-literacy and coding support for schools. The committee's role would be primarily to facilitate and coordinate.

Presentation and discussion with representatives for the New York Methodist Hospital on the hospital's growing health care service demands and need for additional ambulatory care space. (Note: Plans for the proposed new New York Methodist Hospital building will not be discussed at this meeting, they will be presented at the September 26th Landmarks/Land Use meeting.)

Lyn Hill addressed the committee about the need for Methodist's proposed outpatient care facility. Will not discuss building plans. Slide deck conveying history of the hospital, growth of services, trend to increase of same-day ambulatory services – many procedures that formerly required long-term hospitalization and prolonged recovery periods are now done on less invasive basis with shorter recovery time and often with limited hospital stay or on outpatient basis. Need dedicated outpatient space with larger and more flexible work-spaces.

A lengthy Q&A followed with many questions asking why the new facility needs to be physically adjacent to the main New York Methodist Hospital building.

Further discussion of the STEM/computer science projects (Teals and Script-Ed) was continued. Other programs are also interested, e.g. Code-now. Courtney Ryan described "I-Mentor" program at 15 schools in New York City.

Problem linking up the schools with the organizations and timing of applications for projects.

Orientation: Rules, regulations and procedures governing the committee.

Discussion of the rules, regulations and procedures for the committee followed, including rules on absences, voting procedures, etc.

Suggestions for future topics were discussed:

- Follow-up on Millenium Brooklyn which opened two years ago
- PS 133 update
- Diversity in schools
- Utilization/school crowding
- Representatives from elected officials to attend
- Senior citizen issues
- Lyn Hill: Heights and Hills program regarding availability of services to people exiting hospital care
- Sandy recovery
- Youth groups – to let paint to what groups there are.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned.