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Health & Social Services Committee Meeting
Tuesday, May 8, 2018
Community Board Office

MINUTES

PRESENT: Joe Bacote, Chair; Marcy Gross, Co-Chair; Tasneem Aljayyousi; Al D'Angelo; and Joanne Rubino.

EXCUSED: Sandra Unger.

GUEST(S): Michelle Webb; Kelly Cabrera; Pat Sheridan; Oria Ivory; Mary Sampino; Toni DeNicola; Mary Simon; Krish Barnes; Deborah White; Ryan White; Sean Petty and Mariella Salazar.

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

1. The guests from Montefiore introduced themselves.
2. A letter thanking the groups that came out to the Health Fair on April 29TH needs to be sent out.
3. Jacobi Emergency Department
 - a. Staffing is the lowest ever
 - b. Triage wait time is up to 3 hours
 - c. Ratio of nurses to patients is down
4. Jacobi Pediatric Trauma Center
 - a. Up to 8 hour wait
 - b. Staffing is not enough

Representatives from Jacobi requested that Community Board 11 join them in supporting the Safe Staffing bill, which they explained and distributed in a packet. Joe and Joanne explained the process to them and invited them to attend the full board meeting on 5/24 to present their case at the gallery session. They took the information and agreed to do so.

5. Montefiore
Mr. White reported that Montefiore has implemented changes in the Emergency Room that in have cut the waiting times in many cases in half. Mr. White stated that part of their success is sitting down with representatives from nursing to see what the problems are and what can be updated and streamline. He stated that they were also able to hire additional nurses. He also stated that attrition has lessened over the past year; and that the waiting times are longer than they want
6. Committee discussed attrition which is still a problem
7. Motion by Joanne Rubino , Second by Tasneem Aljayyousi -

That Community Board supports the resolution for safe staffing levels, and is in support of the Safe Staffing bill which will come before the legislation in Albany. Unanimously passed.

Joanne mentioned that this bill is very important

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Minutes taken by Marcy Gross and Joanne Rubino, typed by Staff.