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Thursday, February 25 at 7:00 P.M.

Via CISCO WEBEX

Present: R. Bieder, N. Rosario, D. Hunt, H. Acampora, T. Franklin, T. Smith, M. Bufano, S. McMillan, L. Council

Absent: N. Rosario, M. Sajous, S. McMillan, L. Council, R. Barbarelli

Guests: J. Caraballo, J. Mondello, Tracy G.

The committee meeting commenced at 7:05PM with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Committee Co-Chairperson Jason Caraballo. Mr. Caraballo is our Montefiore community relations colleague and introduced himself to the committee. Montefiore entered a new partnership with Empire Blue Cross/ Blue Shield. The partnership is based on nutrition efforts, health education and annual free flu shots. This partnership will help smaller non-profits and community organizations with health-related resources. There are 91 COVID positive patients in Einstein Hospital. There are over 500 throughout Bronx Montefiore locations. There were over 2000 patients in April 2020. The statistics are trending downward, per Mr. Caraballo.

Joseph Mondello was our final guest speaker. Mr. Mondello spoke of better partnerships between the veteran's community and community boards. Mr. Mondello opined on the committee's discussion on renaming the committee and questioned if community boards were turning away veterans from assistance. Committee members refuted this notion. Mr. Mondello reiterated the need for continuity with regard to liaising with the veteran's community.

There were neither any new nor old business. The meeting closed at 7:52 P.M. by a vote of adjournment that was unanimously approved.