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Human Services
February 10, 2020, 6:00 p.m.
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***** Minutes *****

Present: Isaac Scott, Robin Strashun, Wendy Ferreira, Xavier Santiago, Marline Pierre (Staff)

Absent: Jarquay Abullah, Vincent Torres

Excused: Elsie Encarnacion (Chair), Carlos Diaz, Kamwa Jean-Pierre,

Guests: Madeline Lugo, Azucena Sandra, Alex Rodriguez, Trini Ruiz, Antoinette Campbell, Ana M. Arambum, Susan Panales, Rita Prats, Jaime Gutierrez, Parth Trived, Tdbyerson, Kimber Bogard, Shaneah Taylor, Jennifer Meyer

1. Call to Order– Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. (No Quorum)
2. Announcements
Representative from Open New York requests Manhattan Community Board 11 (CB11), write a letter in support of their advocacy to encourage housing development in SoHo and NoHo. (opennewyork.city)
3. Presentations & Discussion
 - a. Rita Prats – Director of Bilingual Head Start, East Harlem Council for Human Services, Inc.
 - i. Would like Manhattan Community Board 11's support in declaring East 116th between First and Pleasant Avenue a Sugar Free – Zone Block
Ms. Prats made a compelling argument for the need. Human Services Committee members will consider drafting a letter of support when there is quorum, or how else we may respond.
4. New Business –
 - a. Robin Strashun requested the Committee agree to commit monies from our budget to pay for the DJ for the Power of Aging Well event (June 10, 2020 at Jefferson Park) at the request of New York City Council Member (CM) Diana Ayala. Cost is estimated between \$400-\$500. Per CM Ayala, CB11 had agreed to this last year, but the event was rained out twice and never happened.
5. Old Business

a. Mental Health First Aid Training – ThriveNYC

Marline reports a request has been submitted to Hunter College Silberman School of Social Work for a room reservation for May 9 (with May 16 as an alternate date). Robin Strashun showed the template flyer provided by Thrive NYC, and shared that New York City Council Member (CM) Ben Kallos' office willingness to allow CB11 to use the funds he allocated for Spirit of Service to this event; requests email from CB11 (to Wilfredo and Sushite at CMKallos) to confirm. Robin Strashun has spoken with CM Ayala who will help alert constituents and contact Department of Education (DOE) District School Supervisor once flyer is done. Needs committee input.

6. Informational Updates

a. Update regarding upcoming Youth Symposium

Xavier Santiago is the lead on this. Event scheduled for May 2, 2020 at Innovation HS.

7. Adjournment – Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 P.M.