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Youth and Education Committee Tuesday, January 8, 2013, 6:30 p.m. Board Office

*** Minutes***

- Present: David Giordano, John Green, Thomas Herrera (staff), Yolanda Brown, Malik McCullough, Jason Villanueva, Elsie Encarnacion, Lilybelle Gonzalez
- Absent: Jada Heredia
- Excused: Mahfuzur Rahman, Shawn Smith
- Guests: Paul Dawkins, NYSOM; Dimandja Utshudi, DANY; Shawnique Woolfolk; Sarah Pickening, Mount Sinai; Dr. Anthony Salandy, Mount Sinai; Ricardo Sanchez; NYC Parks.

1. Call to Order– Adoption of the Agenda

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Presentations & Discussions

- a. Mount Sinai's Adolescent Health Center will be presenting on their programs in East Harlem

Dr. Anthony Salandy of Mount Sinai came to the Youth & Education committee meeting to present the particulars of Mount Sinai's Adolescent Health Center. The center mainly serves youth, ranging from ages 3-26, from the South Bronx, Central Harlem and East Harlem (27% of youth in East Harlem). The scope of the programming includes: primary care, sexual and reproductive health, mental health, nutrition, prenatal care, dental & eye care, legal advising, peer mentoring, education, LGBTQ health & wellness care, transgender healthcare, puberty blocking prescriptions, short and long term individual counseling, teen parenting programming and fitness.

Apart from their extensive programming, they now offer services for eye, dental and parenting counseling for youths that wish to continue with their pregnancy. They outsource their youth patients, free of charge, to their network doctors and therapists. Identification of any kind is not required, nor is their immigration status. Dr. Salandy expressed interest in working closely with the Board as it looks for ways to better serve the youth of East Harlem. The center is opened Monday-Saturday from 8am-5pm (Thursdays from 12pm-5pm) and located at 312 East 94th Street.

3. Old Business

a. Youth Gang Violence Forum Discussion

The committee discussed and strategized on how the framework of the Youth Violence forum would look. The committee listed possible partners, such as the District Attorney's office and many others, as to how to best have a successful partnership in the community. This endeavor is to be formalized in conjunction with the participation of the Public Safety & Transportation and Housing Committees. Elsie Encarnacion will be taking the committees lead on seeing this project come to fruition.

b. Budget and District Needs

The committee has made contact with various agencies in their quest to better understand the budget process in order to make better decisions.

4. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm