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Youth and Education Committee Monday, November 7, 2016, 6:00 PM Board Office

Minutes

Present: Yolanda Brown, Elsie Encarnacion, David Giordano (Chair), Lilybelle Gonzalez, John Green, Nilsa Orama, Mahfuzur Rahman, Jeremiah Schlotman, Chandra Smith, Jason Villanueva

Absent: Wendy Hewlett, Peggy Morales

Excused: none

Guests: Pad Dawkins(NYSOM), Spencer Cook (Children's Aid Society), Geoffrey Golia (GOSO), Maya Kremen (Get & de Milly), Angel Mescain (staff)

1. Call to Order

Committee Chair David Giordano called the meeting to order at 6:12 PM.

2. Presentations

- a. Geoffrey Golia, Senior Career Manager and Director of Employment Development at Getting Out and Staying Out (GOSO) gave a brief presentation describing the mission of his organization and its work to “empower young men to avoid involvement in the criminal justice system by reshaping their futures through educational achievement, meaningful employment, and financial independence. GOSO focuses on the individuals’ capacities and strengths, as well as developmental needs and emotional well-being. Our aim is to promote personal, professional, and intellectual growth through goal-oriented programming and comprehensive social support services.”

GOSO’s offices are located at 75 East 116th Street (at Madison Avenue).

A brief question and answer period followed the presentation.

3. Old Business

- a. Mahfuzur Rahman explained a list of resolutions concerning high school students using MetroCard after school hours. A brief discussion followed. Chair David Giordano suggested that the committee thoroughly peruse the resolutions and present it before the full board in December.

4. Announcements

- a. Mahfuzur Rahman informed us that new disciplinary rules were being adopted by the Department of Education. The hearing was held in August, but individual comments concerning this issue will be accepted until Friday November 11.
- b. Lilybelle Gonzalez announced that there is a parenting course being given at Innovation High School, located at 410 East 100 Street
- c. Elsie Encarnacion reminded the committee to attend the forum where the Harlem Neighborhood Plan will be discussed on Thursday November 17 at Taino Towers Gymnasium.

5. Adjournment

- a. Nilsa Orama made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Yolanda Brown and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM.