### **BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8**

# MINUTES OF THE AGING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 28, 2014 AT METHODIST HOME FOR NURSING AND REHABILTATION

## PRESENT AFFILIATION

Karen Pesce CB8 Committee Chair

Lisa Daub CB8
Beverly Fettman CB8
Marvin Goodman CB8

Maria Khury CB8 Vice Chair

Irving LadimerCB8Robert PressCB8Georgia SantiagoCB8

Bayla Butler Ampark NORC

Nancy D'Auria Hebrew Home at Riverdale

Lourdes Santacruz Five Star Premier

Marion Clutchker Methodist Home for Nursing & Rehab

Melissa Prieto Hudson Pointe

1. Minutes of previous meeting approved as submitted.

2. Speaker from R.A.I.N. Inc. Friendly Visitors Program unavailable. To be eligible for program, one must be receiving Meals On Wheels.

## 3. Old Business

- a. Access-A-Ride issues can be referred to Traffic and Transportation for a joint meeting. Potential problem may be meeting time since each meets at different time of day. Chair to contact Access-A-Ride for presentation.
- b. Talking/time print of stoplights for safe crossing: it's anticipated the corners of 238<sup>th</sup> and Broadway, 230<sup>th</sup> and Broadway, and Broadway and Manhattan College Parkway will be heavily impacted by additional auto and pedestrian traffic with completion of shopping malls. R. Press to contact Traffic and Transportation for advice on resolving. Consider crossing guard at especially busy intersections, as well as Dunkin Donuts driveway at W230<sup>th</sup> and Broadway.

### 4. New Business

a. Health care issues: "bundling" went into effect 10/13; implications are that all care relating to a hospital stay, including post discharge rehab, nursing

- services, etc. are reimbursed at a flat fee. If a patient is readmitted for a same diagnosis within 30 days, hospital has penalty. Most frequent diagnoses for hospital admission are diabetes, congestive heart failure, chronic pulmonary disease.
- b. Discussion of development of Resource Directory for older adults. Reasoning is that older adults, caregivers and disabled may need print format rather than relying on computer. Chair to rough out categories with input from Committee members and members will designate which categories they're able to develop (meals/food; housing; homecare; transportation; medical services, i.e. after hours care, emergency safety and security; senior centers; social service/mental health services; entitlements, legal, friendly visitors/telephone visits). Distribution by senior centers, physician, social service/mental health agencies, geriatric counselors, libraries, fast food outlets (?), and other media to identified older adults in the community. Funding for printing to be investigated. Committee's annual task is to update information. Possibly coordinate with other Board Committees.
- c. Discussion topics suggested: how older adults are contributing to society.
- d. Vice Chair of Aging: Lisa Daub.
- e. Community Member guidelines discussed and finalized version will be presented as available.

Submitted by,

Karen Pesce, Chair Aging Committee