

BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8

**MINUTES OF THE HEALTH, HOSPITALS & SOCIAL SERVICES
COMMITTEE MEETING – Monday, June 15, 2015**

PRESENT

Steven Froot
Stanley Cohen
Karen Pesce
Lenora Croft
Omar Murray
Noah Friedman
Amy Joy Robateau

AFFILIATION

Committee Chair
CB 8 – Community committee member
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The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. at the Community Board Office.

Minutes: No review of minutes of November & December 2014, and April & May 2015 meetings due to lack of a quorum.

Chair's Report

Due to the lack of a quorum and in light of the attendance of four new members of Community Board 8, Mr. Froot described the work of the Committee and asked those in attendance to state their background and interests. The Chair specifically discussed the Committee's responsibility for holding public hearings on proposed siting of group homes for the developmentally disabled and other populations in need. He also referred to the Committee's past work putting together public forums on the Affordable Care Act and underage drinking, facilitating the formation of community advisory boards for existing social service facilities, and encouraging green markets and healthy eating.

Old Business

Mr. Froot summarized earlier Committee discussions of the next fiscal year's budget recommendations, noting that there would be a single expense item recommendation for continued funding of a geriatric mental health program focused on healthy independent living for seniors operated by the Riverdale Mental Health Association.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

The Committee will hold its next meeting in September 2015 and thereafter on the third Monday of each month, excluding holidays, normally alternating between the Board Office and locations in different neighborhoods in Community District 8.

Prepared by Karen Pesce
Approved by Steven Froot, Chair
Health, Hospitals & Social Services Committee