

NORTH RIVER EXPANDED MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES PROGRAM GOVERNING COMMISSION

Governing Commission Office

3525 W. Peterson Ave., Chicago, IL 60659 (Via Zoom)

Wednesday, November 16, 2022

Commission Members Present: Gloria Centeno (President), Rosemary Tirio (Secretary), Kathy Donofrio (Treasurer), Rev. Jacob Agepog, Joan Liautaud, Mary Tinich, Joyce Zick
Commission Members Absent: Elizabeth Granato, Roger McGill,
Commission Employee: Celeste Burke (Office Administrator/Bookkeeper)
Community: Dr. Angela Sedeno, Mike Snedeker, Nancy Burke, Lucy Gomez Feliciano, Charles Turk

I. WELCOME

President Centeno called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.
Roll call: Listed above.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE September 21, 2022 MEETING

Commissioner Agepog moved to approve the minutes of the September meeting.
Second: Commissioner Zick
Approved unanimously.

III. TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Donofrio asked if the Commission intended to move our account from Albany Park Bank to Chase Bank.
Office Administrator Burke reported that the fraudulent check that had been cashed last year has been restored to our account and added that the end of January would be a good, clean time to break from AIBank,

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Program Services Committee

Commissioner Zick reported that the Kedzie Center continues to provide many outreach programs to many parts of the community. Mental health is beginning to be talked about so much more today, and the Kedzie Center has become a beacon and a model for the other centers.

b. Building and Personnel Committee

President Centeno and Finance Chairman Tinich both assured Chairman Donofrio that the salary of Bookkeeper and Office Administrator Celeste Burke had been approved and her salary increase is in next year's budget.
Because of the recent fire in the building where our office is located, President Centeno reported that she is looking for another location for our office before the January lease renewal. The Committee made some recommendations for another office location. One possibility is the building at the southeast corner of Cicero and Peterson.

c. Finance and Tax Levy Committee

Chairman Tinich reported that the preliminary report of next year's tax levy came in about a week and a half ago, and we can be more confident of the amount we can ask for. However, this is not the final report which she hopes to obtain by the December meeting. The state passed a levy adjustment which will result in a little more money for our budget.
Chairman Tinich reported two changes to the budget since the September meeting: the cost of living raise for our Office Administrator and \$400 added for the ad in the Nadig Newspaper advertising our annual budget meeting. However, no vote on the budget or the tax levy was taken tonight because we still lack the firm numbers. We hope to have them for the December meeting where the vote will be taken.

V. BUDGET HEARING

President Centeno invited members of the public to comment on the proposed budget.
Mike Snedeker, Executive Director of the Commission, offered congratulations to the Commission on the 10 years of service to the community since our beginning. He said that the Kedzie Center was the most efficient mental health program in the county, the state, and perhaps even the country.
Nancy Burke, a member of the EMHS Board and Commission, said that they would like a closer relationship with our Commission.
Charles Turk, a Board member of the Kedzie Center, and also a volunteer, said that the reward for his volunteering has been seeing patients improve and working with the outstanding staff.
President Centeno closed the Budget portion of the meeting and thanked the members of the public for their comments. The final decision on the budget will be made at the December meeting.

VI. NEW BUSINESS AND NEXT MEETING

President Centeno reported that Office Administrator Burke is working on getting the website up and running and that we may have to get a new and better program for it.
NEXT MEETING: Wednesday December 21, 2022

VII. ADJOURNMENT

President Centeno moved to adjourn the meeting.
Second: Commissioner Agepog
Approved unanimously.
The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemary Tirio
Secretary

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Program Services Committee Meeting Minutes

3525 W. Peterson Ave., Chicago, IL 60659 (Via Zoom)

Wednesday, May 24, 2021

**Committee Members Present: Gloria Centeno (President), Rosemary Tirio (Secretary), Roger McGill, Joyce Zick
Also Present: Dr. Angela Sedeno, Director of the Kedzie Center
Commission Employee: Celeste Burke (Office Administrator/Bookkeeper)**

I. WELCOME

Program Services Committee members signed the 5-year contract with the Kedzie Center.

II. Adjournment

11:15 a.m.

**Respectfully submitted,
Rosemary Tirio
Secretary**