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Synopsis of the Regional Health Teams's Meeting Minutes Held 14th 2. 87

Present Dr. Mpehle

Comrades Edith Pemba

Daisy Regional Secretary

Negro

Bob Driver

Mrs. R.V.Nzo (Health Secretariat)

The secretary cord. Daisy reported the absence of an agenda. The meeting resumed at 15 hours. Transport was reported to have been arranged with the R:P:C: but no body was fetched. Members present came by public transport.

Mrs. Nzo promised that she will request the Secretariat to write to R.P.C. that whilst we are trying to organise ourselves as health teams, we are not given the help we need for meetings.

Comrade repoted that she was lucky because Negro was on duty he thought of collecting her,

Agenda Drawn as Follows

1. Electing Chair Person and Deputy
2. Annex to clinic
3. Old clinic building still used by Builders as storage facilities
4. Comrades Abel and Nonkululeko (Psychiatric patients)

ELECTIONS

Chair person Comrade Edna Mgabaza in abstentia

Deputy Chair person Comrade Dr, Khosi Gzagxisa in abstentia

The regional secretary will inform these two comrades in writing

Annex to Clinic

It was reported that comrade Dlokilo had removed his security commanders as he said that the E.C.C. said it would run the Annex. He was reported to have said that he is of the opinion that the desision was correct as there to many complains from the patients that the commanders were corrupt.

Presently.

One patient is in charge of logistics. The clinic will collect all supplies for the annex and hand them over to the patient now incharge.

When sigaretttes, toilet soap etc. are collected, a member the clinic will distribute to each together with the patient incharge and each patient will sign the book which will be kept by the clinic staff. If there surplus, it will be handed over to the patient incharge to keep and will be redistributed with signitures again in the book. This will eliminate the complains of corruption.

Re- Patient returned from the Soviet Union?? HTVL111

It was reported that the fact that he is a member of the A.N.C. was reported recently by a member of the N.E.C. Mrs. Nzo wanted to know what was being done for his special diet. It was reported by comrade Edith that if a person gets a diet money of K100 he is not given meat money and this comrade lives at the Annex and they get meat. Mrs. Nzo advised that it could be arranged that the patient gets less than K100 eg. ^K K50 to buy the essential fruits and vegetables not supplied which he needs because of the immunity problem. Comrade Edith raised the question of other 8 patients needing diet who are in the book and prescribed for by a doctor. Mrs. Nzo pointed out that it negligence on the part of the clinic because all diet money is arranged for by the clinic. At this point Mrs. Nzo reminded the meeting that, if a health person has quarreled with a patient that does not mean the patient must not get his treatment including the special diet. We as health workers must deliver the health services and forget quarrels with patient this is

MEDICAL ETHICS

Re- Security of the Clinic and the Annex

Between the secretariat and the clinic staff a request for the security of the clinic and the Annex be made to the relevant structures(for armed guard

RE- Old Clinic Building

The clinic staff felt strongly about not emptying of the old clinic building by the department of building. They need it for the security guard after its renovation. They urge the secretariat and the ECC to pursue this matter seriously.

RE-Abel (pschitric)

His doctor at Chainama in the presence of Dr. Ike wanted an opinion on re-partriation from A.N.C. to through the Red Cross to re-partritiate this comrade to his parents in S.Africa. The doctor is of the opinion that he can not improve but will deteriorate more. It was felt that there is a rehabilitation center in East Africa. It was also felt that the S.African Government will use or mis-use him against the A.N.C.

RE-Nonkululeko (Nkuli)

Comrade went on reporting as he did on the above named patient. Nonkululeko wants the following. These are put according to her priorities.

1. She wants to go back to the Soviet Union for studies.
2. She wants to go to S.A. to her mother
3. She wants to have a room or house of her own. This she wants because where she lives is next to the security who she feels are following her. It was agreed that she is at- happy where she lives the only problem is that she is in an acute schizophrenic state what she says should not be taken

fo granted. Since she has suicidal tendencies she can not live alone. Comrade Negro said her priority is the Soviet Union not so much S.A.

From a letter which was not read out as it was said it is region to region it was about a certain department requesting Comrade Bob be released to it. The clinic staff said he was driving for the clinic. Mrs. Nzo said that if the clinic did not inform DMD then DMD only knows Chaina as the clinic driver. It was said that China was requested to come and explain his absence. Negro said these were only verbal messages. No formal letter was written to him to come and explain his problems.

Mrs. Nzo advised the clinic to do any ~~of the two~~ one of the two
1. Letter to DMD, copy to China and the Secretariat if they want reporting the absence of this comrade from work

or

2. letter to China requesting him to report on duty with copies to DMD the secretariat may be copied if they so wish so that must be the one to say he no longer wants to drive for the clinic and he can then state his reasons.

Mrs. Nzo also reminded the meeting about the circular from DMD saying departments engage and expel people without informing DMD. Comrade Daisy wanted to know the purpose of the circular. Negro answered that it is to protect the individual and to protect the department from being abandoned by people. Because of Transport failure, comrades Rachel and the lady doctor trained in Cuba arrived at 16 hour (4p.m.) obviously they had transport problems.

At 16.15 hours Mrs. Nzo's transport she left the secretary briefing the new arrivals.

Report by R.V.Nzo

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