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Willowbrook Taskforce Appointed By Region II

MANHATTAN—Metropolitan Region II of the Civil Service Employees Assn. last week passed a resolution calling for a taskforce to investigate the layoff situation at Willowbrook Developmental Center, and the general problem of contracting out and deinstitutionalization in the Mental Hygiene system.

Regional president Solomon Bendet appointed a committee composed of the Mental Hygiene Local presidents, with Regional first vice-president William DeMartino as chairman.

Mr. Bendet indicated that he would ask the statewide CSEA

Board of Directors to allocate funds, "to help fight the disintegration of Willowbrook."

The Region also passed a resolution opposing proposed changes in the CSEA constitution which would permit the union to represent private employees working for firms with which the state contracts out.