

Education Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 19, 2023

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:33PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Webber led the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Chair Webber called the roll:

Member present:

Shelly Albright, Donna Baxter Marcella Montesinos, John Webber

Ms. Baxter made a motion to allow Committee members Ms. Hayden and Ms. Gillespie to participate virtually. Motion was seconded by Ms. Montesinos. Motion carried 4-0.

Members Via Zoom:

Marcia Hayden, Beth Gillespie

Members Absent:

Jennifer Rodriguez - Excused

Opening Comments

N/A

Approval of Agenda

Ms. Baxter made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion was seconded by Ms. Montesinos. Motion carried 4-0.

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Albright made a motion to approve the August 1, 2023 regular meeting minutes. Motion was seconded by Ms. Baxter. Motion carried unanimously 4-0.

Old Business

Assignment of School SAC Liaisons moved to the end of New Business.

New Business

Selection of Chair and Vice Chair of Education Committee:

Ms. Baxter nominates Mr. Webber for Chair of the Education Committee. Mr. Webber accepts the nomination with no contest; Motion passed 4-0.

Ms. Albright nominated Ms. Montesinos for the Vice Chair of the Education Committee. Ms. Montesinos accepts the nomination with no contest; Motion passed 4-0.

Presentation by Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office on Traffic at the Schools

Sgt. DeJoy provided an update on this year's school traffic. Sgt. DeJoy expressed his gratitude to the Village of Wellington school Principals. He discussed maintaining the balance of school traffic.

Presentation of Wellington Schools by Palm Beach County School District Representatives

Marcia Andrew, our elected representative of the Palm Beach County School Board for District 6, expressed her gratitude for Wellington Schools and the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Department from the entire School Board.

Ms. Whetsell and Ms. Green, representatives of the Palm Beach County School District, provided a report of updates from our eleven Wellington Schools. The report outlined the achievements and events occurring at each of Wellington's schools.

Selection of Committee's Assignment of School SAC Liaisons:

Committee Members selected the following schools they will be liaisons for:

John Webber

Emerald Cove Middle School

Wellington Elementary

Donna Baxter

Palm Beach Central High School

Marcella Montesinos

Wellington High School

Polo Park Middle School

Binks Forest Elementary

Shelly Albright

Wellington Landings Middle School

New Horizons Elementary

Jennifer Rodriguez

Equestrian Trails Elementary

Marcia Hayden

Panther Run Elementary

Beth Gillespie

Elbridge Gale Elementary

Public Comments

A representative from Westlake asked for clarification on acronyms of SWAG and SAC.

Ms. Edwards and Education Committee members provided explanations of SWAG – Students Working to Achieve Greatness and SAC – School Advisory Councils.

Staff Report

Ms. Edwards and Community Service Staff, James Smith and Gus Ponce, provided updated on Community Services' youth programing. Staff provided updates on HYPE tutoring/transportation at the Boys and Girls Club, an update on the SWAG program along with their upcoming planned trips, and an update from the SWAG program receiving additional funding through the Roundup program from Macys at the Wellington Mall.

Closing Comments

Education Committee members expressed gratitude of the Village of Wellington, Palm Beach Sheriff's Office, and the Palm Beach School District.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Webber to adjourn the meeting of the Education Committee. The meeting adjourned at 7:32PM