

Village of Wellington

*12300 Forest Hill Blvd
Wellington, FL 33414*



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 1, 2018

6:30 PM

Village Hall

Education Committee

*Shelly Albright
Donna Baxter
Beth Gillespie
Marcia Hayden
Ruthann Retterbush
John Webber*

I Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm

II Pledge of Allegiance**III Roll Call**

Chair Jay Webber called the roll. Marcia Hayden had not yet arrived. Francine Nelson was absent. Shelly Albright, Donna Baxter, Beth Gillespie, Ruthann Retterbush and Jay Webber were present.

IV Opening Comments

Mr. Webber welcomed everyone in attendance including representatives from the Palm Beach County School District Vivian Green, Frank Rodriguez, and Ed Tierney, Mayor Gerwig, Village staff and Wellington High Impact Teachers.

V Approval of Agenda

Mr. Webber asked that the school liaison reports be added to the end of the agenda.

Mr. Webber called for a motion to approve the agenda as amended.

Ms. Baxter made the motion, seconded by Ms. Retterbush. Motion passed unanimously.

VI Approval of Minutes

Mr. Webber called for a motion to approve the minutes from each meeting as presented.

Ms. Albright made the motion, seconded by Ms. Baxter. Motion passed unanimously.

A. [EC-070](#)

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 28, 2018 REGULAR MEETING AND THE MARCH 28, 2018 JOINT MEETING OF THE EDUCATION AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEES

Mr. Webber called for a motion to approve the minutes from each meeting as presented.

Ms. Albright made the motion, seconded by Ms. Baxter. Motion passed

unanimously.

VII Staff Report

Ms. Edwards provided information on the Community Services Students Working to Achieve Greatness (SWAG) program consisting of twelve (12) eleventh grade students from each of Wellington's High Schools (six from each school. Last year's program held ten (10) students who are all going on to college. This year the students began the mentoring program at the Community Services office. Internships included the State Attorneys Office, the Cancer Society, the Central Palm Beach County Chamber and Wellington Regional Hospital as well as conducting a college tour. Interfaith continued to be a sponsor.

At this time Mr. Webber invited Ms. Andrews to speak.

Ms. Andrews thanked everyone in attendance and commended all of the High Impact Teachers being recognized.

Mr. Webber invited Mr. Rodriguez to provide District updates.

Mr. Rodriguez addressed questions regarding the current situation with Eagle Arts Academy, stating that at this time due to pending litigation he would not be at liberty to speak to that issue. Regarding construction, he stated that two major projects would require Wellington Landings Middle School and New Horizons to close during the summer months. Staff would be housed at neighboring schools and information regarding the projects would be disseminated.

At this time Ms. Edwards suggested that the Chair move to New Business so that they could conduct the High Impact Teacher presentations.

VIII Old Business

There was no old business.

IX New Business

A. [EC-072](#)**WASTE MANAGEMENT, INC. WELLINGTON ENVIRONMENTAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Ms. Edwards explained the foundation of the Wellington Environmental Scholarship, noting that the annual scholarship was established to foster the educational opportunities for students in the area of environmental stewardship.

Mr. Webber reported that the Committee had reviewed numerous essays and applications and had selected the four recipients.

Jared Singer, Palm Beach Central High School - \$1500
Yan Annour, Palm Beach Central - \$1000

Joseline Neuman, Wellington High School - \$1500
Samantha Sullivan, Wellington High School - \$1000

The scholarship recipients would be recognized at the May 8th Village Council meeting.

B. [EC-073](#)**EDUCATION COMMITTEE MISSION STATEMENT**

Mr. Webber moved this item to 9C in order to conduct the High Impact Teacher presentations.

Mr. Webber stated that this item would be moved for further discussion to the next meeting in August. He encouraged the committee members to look at the current mission statement and bring their ideas to the next meeting.

C. [EC-071](#)**RECOGNITION OF WELLINGTON'S HIGH IMPACT TEACHERS FOR 2018**

Mr. Webber stated that for 2018, 69 Wellington teachers had been selected for the honor of High Impact Teacher.

Ms. Edwards stated that each school principal would announce their award recipients.

Principals from each of Wellington's 11 schools called up their High Impact Teachers. Each teacher was presented with a recognition and a group photos taken with Village Council and School Board representatives.

Ms. Edwards asked that all teachers in attendance please meet in the

lobby after the meeting for a large group photo. Ms. Edwards acknowledged her staff, Jonathan Salas and Morgan Cintron for their hard work and participation.

X Public Comments

Mr. Webber invited each of the principals to come up and share information about their schools.

Principals provided information on upcoming events and projects taking place and thanked the Village for their contributions.

XI Closing Comments

Ms. Retterbush thanked everyone for their continued support and participation.

Ms. Albright thanked everyone for their hard work.

Ms. Baxter recognized Terri Priore who would be recognized as the districts parent volunteer of the year and Tom Atkins who had originated the Civics 101 program over 7 years ago. Mr. Atkins would be retiring this year. She also thanked all of the contributions of the high impact teachers.

Ms. Gillespie thanked all of the staff and recognized the high impact teachers.

XII Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm

Approved and Adopted:

Jay Webber, Chairperson

Date

Laura Aldrich, Recording Secretary

Date