

# **Village of Wellington**

*12300 Forest Hill Blvd  
Wellington, FL 33414*



## **Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, April 30, 2019**

**6:30 PM**

**Village Hall - Council Chambers**

## **Education Committee**

*John Webber, Chair  
Shelly Albright, Vice Chair  
Donna Baxter  
Jana Bolinder  
Beth Gillespie  
Marcia Hayden  
Ruthann Retterbush*

**I Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm

**II Pledge of Allegiance****III Roll Call**

Members Present: John Webber, Shelly Albright, Jana Bolinder, Beth Gillespie. Ruthann Retterbush, Donna Baxter and Marcia Hayden were absent.

Staff Present: Paulette Edwards, Laura Aldrich

**IV Opening Comments****V Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by Beth Gillespie to approve the April 30, 2019 agenda as presented, seconded by Jana Bolinder. Motion passed unanimously 4-0. Ruthann Retterbush, Donna Baxter and Marcia Hayden were absent.

**VI Approval of Minutes****A. [EC-088](#)****MINUTES OF THE MARCH 5, 2019 REGULAR MEETING**

A motion was made by Jana Bolinder to approve the minutes of the March 5, 2019 regular meeting, seconded by Shelly Albright. Motion carried unanimously 4-0. Ruthann Retterbush, Donna Baxter and Marcia Hayden were absent.

**VII Staff Report**

Ms. Edwards briefly reviewed the recent joint meeting of the Public Safety and Education Committees. The new School Police Chief had agreed to attend a future Education Committee meeting. There were School Board staff changes coming up that included Frank Rodriguez resigning to take a new position in South Carolina. He agreed to bring his replacement to a future meeting for introduction.

Ms. Edwards reported on the success of Civics 101 with Palm Beach Central High School. Over 100 students had participated. The SWAG program would kick off within a few weeks with student interns being placed from June 10th through August 2nd. There were twelve students participating with six from each Wellington area high school. The Back to School Block Party event would take place on July 27th at the Wellington Community Center green space from 9:00 am to noon. The Department would welcome Committee volunteers.

Mr. Webber inquired about this year's high impact teachers.

Ms. Edwards responded that Staff had been unable to locate a list for this year but would provide information when and if it was received.

Ms. Edwards reported that the Committee's next meeting would include review of the Keely Spinelli Grant applications. Principals would be in attendance.

There was some discussion of scheduling the next meeting on August 6th in conjunction with the SWAG graduation.

## VIII Old Business

### A. [EC-087](#) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF PROPOSED REVISIONS TO COMMITTEE MISSION STATEMENT AND RESOLUTION

Mr. Webber stated that the revised Resolution was an improvement over the Committee's prior mission statement. Mr. Webber called for a motion to approve the revisions and schedule it for Council consideration.

Motion was made by Beth Gillespie, seconded by Shelly Albright. Motion passed unanimously 4-0. Ruthann Retterbush, Donna Baxter and Marcia Hayden were absent.

## IX New Business

### A. [EC-086](#) WASTE MANAGEMENT, INC. WELLINGTON ENVIRONMENTAL SCHOLARSHIP 2019

Ms. Edwards reported that Waste Management had made a large check presentation to the Village Council at their last meeting and confirmed their commitment to continuing student grants and scholarships. Staff would coordinate with both area high schools to disseminate scholarship information to students. In the event not enough applications were received from Wellington resident students, the scholarship would be opened up and made available to students residing outside of Wellington. This year's scholarship recipients were:

Palm Beach Central High School  
Chase Strelec - \$1500  
Farrah Eid - \$1500

Wellington High School  
Keyton King - \$1500  
Francesca Herman - \$1500

Scholarships would be presented to the recipients at each high schools awards night.

## X Public Comments

There were no public comments.

## XI Closing Comments

Mr. Webber suggested skipping the school liaison reports as they were short three members.

Ms. Albright reminded everyone that Principal Betsy Cardozo would be retiring and wanted to ensure that the new principal would be included in all Committee distributions.

Wellington High School would be closed for the summer of 2020 for their school improvement which may include re-engineering of the cafeteria and field and security upgrades including single point and badge entry.

Ms. Gillespie shared information on Elbridge Gale's STEM teachers and Mr. Webber spoke briefly about House Bill 7123 for fund allocations to schools in Palm Beach County.

## **XII      Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made by Beth Gillespie, seconded by Shelly Albright. Motion passed unanimously 4-0. Donna Baxter, Ruthann Retterbush and Marcia Hayden were absent.

The meeting adjourned at 6:58 pm