

CITY OF WESTLAKE



MINUTES

Education and Youth Advisory Board Meeting

Thursday, July 14, 2022 at 6:30 PM

Westlake Council Chambers
4005 Seminole Pratt Whitney Road
Westlake, Florida 33470

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As a preliminary matter, Ms. Burgess noted that Board Chair Julie Acevedo, Board Members Jennifer Bermudez, Lisa Liriano and Wesley Logsdon were present physically constituting a quorum.

Board Liaison, Vice Mayor Greg Langowski is also present physically.

Ms. Burgess provided further instruction regarding public comments, noting that comments will be acknowledged by the mayor and accepted at the appropriate times as indicated in the agenda and those who wish to speak may use the "virtual" hand raise feature.

Ms. Burgess provided the disclaimer that the meeting is being recorded by both voice and video, reminding the audience microphones are live.

Ms. Burgess further explained that microphones will be muted; audience members can unmute themselves and anyone that has called in should mute their device.

Ms. Burgess noted that anyone causing a disruption or being inappropriate will be removed from the meeting. Ms. Burgess reminded Council Members physically present to utilize microphones.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bermudez called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present and constituting a quorum were:

Board Member Julie Acevedo
Board Member Lisa Liriano
Board Member Wesley Logsdon
Board Member Jennifer Bermudez

Also, present:

Zoie Burgess, CMC, City Clerk
Mery Ramirez, Recording Clerk

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Bermudez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Board Member Logsdon to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Board Member Acevedo.

UPON ROLL CALL

Board Member Acevedo	YES
Board Member Bermudez	YES
Board Member Liriano	YES
Board Member Logsdon	YES

With all in favor, motion carried without dissent (4-0)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

This section of the agenda allows for comments from the public to address the Board. Each speaker will be given a total of three (3) minutes to comment. Please address Board from podium, and prior to addressing the Board, state your name and address for the record.

Ms. Burgess noted that no public comment cards were received prior to the meeting.

Ms. Burgess gave the virtual participants a moment to raise a virtual hand or unmute their devices and provided a reminder to state name and address.

There being no further comments, the next item followed.

PRESENTATIONS

A. Review of Board Ordinance – Duties

Chair Bermudez introduced Presenter City Clerk Zoie Burgess.

Ms. Burgess provided an overview of the responsibilities and duties of the board referencing the previously approved ordinance. Ms. Burgess highlighted the purpose of the board, its impact on the City, the composition of the Board and their terms.

Ms. Burgess announced the resignation of Board Member Robin Medvetz.

Ms. Burgess mentioned that we should see how the Board wants to showcase the schools going forward.

Ms. Burgess reminded Board there is a chair's initiative which shall be introduced at the August meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Board Reorganization

Board Chair nominations were discussed. Board Member Liriano was nominated for Board Chair.

Motion by Board Member Bermudez to appoint Liriano for Board Chair, seconded by Board Member Acevedo.

UPON ROLL CALL

Board Member Acevedo YES

Board Member Bermudez YES

Board Member Liriano YES

Board Member Logsdon YES

With all in favor, motion carried without dissent (4-0)

Board member Logsdon was nominated as Vice Chair.

Motion by Board Member Bermudez to appoint Logsdon for Vice Chair, seconded by Board Member Liriano.

UPON ROLL CALL

Board Member Acevedo YES
Board Member Bermudez YES
Board Member Liriano YES
Board Member Logsdon YES

With all in favor, motion carried without dissent (4-0)

B. Back to School Activities

Board Member Bermudez discussed meeting dates and times. Board Discussion and census that day and time were to remain the same, Thursdays at 6:30pm.

Board Member Bermudez discussed donations for back-to-school supplies. Board Member Logsdon discussed to have a donation box at Adventure Park and Winn Dixie. Drive is to end on August 7th to deliver supplies by August 15th. Chair Liriano will oversee event and provide an update to Ms. Burgess for distribution and publication.

Ms. Burgess discussed the student member and his responsibilities and what the Board will expect of them. Board Discussion, including the student member's term

Additional Board discussion and various ideas the board would like to take on. Board Member Liriano mentioned to have students volunteer as tutors and gain their community service hours.

Chair Liriano mentioned to have a free little library, take one leave one.

Teacher of the month, schools can nominate their teacher and be promoted by the Board.

Board Liaison Langowski commented and stated if Board wanted a teacher of the month, the Board Chair may also present it to the City Council to be announced.

Board Member Logsdon discussed wanting to have the student member to submit a report stating what he has done for the board as a member to help new member. Further Board discussion that the month of March, would be ideal to begin discussions on selecting a new student member.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/REPORTS/UPDATE

Board discussed having a future booth at FourthFest.

Ms. Burgess discussed the board vacancy and advertising for one week and a half in efforts to bring before the City Council at the next meeting for appointment.

Audience member Ms. Anita Kaplan, requested to speak and acknowledged by chair, stating she is available to help in any way possible.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Board Member Bermudez adjourned the meeting at 7:16 PM.

Zoie P. Burgess, City Clerk

Lisa Liriano, Board Chair