



AGENDA

YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD

Regular Meeting 2019-06
Monday, December 2, 2019 - 6:30 P.M.
City Hall Council Chambers
120 Malabar Road, Palm Bay, FL 32907

CALL TO ORDER:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

PRESENTATION:

1. Sara Almond, Government and Community Relations – Brevard Public Schools.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

1. Regular Meeting 2019-05; November 18, 2019.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: (Non-agenda items only)

Public Comments on Agenda Items – Individuals wishing to speak on specific agenda items can do so at the time the item is being considered by the Board. The Chairperson will ask if there are any public comments prior to the Board taking action on the item. All speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes each.

OTHER BUSINESS:

ADJOURNMENT:

If an individual decides to appeal any decision made by the Youth Advisory Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, a record of the proceedings will be required, and the individual will need to ensure that a verbatim transcript of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon

which the appeal is based (FS 286.0105). Such person must provide a method for recording the proceedings verbatim.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing special accommodations for this meeting shall, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, contact the Office of the City Clerk at (321) 952-3414 or Florida Relay System at 711.

CITY OF PALM BAY, FLORIDA
YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING 2019-05

Held on Monday, the 18th day of November 2019, at the Palm Bay City Hall Council Chambers, 120 Malabar Road, Palm Bay, Florida.

The meeting was properly noticed pursuant to law; the minutes are on file in the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 120 Malabar Road, SE, Palm Bay, Florida. The minutes are not a verbatim transcript, but a brief summary of the discussions and actions taken at the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Perez at 6:32 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

CHAIRPERSON:	Abigail Perez	Present
VICE CHAIRPERSON:	Alexzander Owens	Present
MEMBER:	Kristi Howell	Present
MEMBER:	Vacant	
MEMBER:	Ronald Reagan	Absent
MEMBER:	Linval Maragh III	Absent
MEMBER:	Katrina Moringlanes	Absent
MEMBER:	Michaela Chua	Present
MEMBER:	Joseph Stokes	Present
MEMBER:	Tara Marie Pariso	Present
MEMBER:	Theresa Steelman	Present
MEMBER:	Denise Bowes-Valcin	Absent

ALSO PRESENT:

Kenny Johnson, Deputy Mayor; Katye Campbell, School Board Member; Terri Lefler, Deputy City Clerk.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

1. Regular Meeting 2019-04; October 24, 2019.

Motion by Miss Howell, seconded by Mr. Owens, to adopt the minutes with the following correction: Chairperson Perez should be reflected as the individual who called the meeting to order. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT(S):

1. Jim Stokes asked that the Board consider having the Pledge of Allegiance at the beginning of its meetings.

BUSINESS:

1. Discussion of ideas presented by board members:

a. “Night Light Park” (Chairperson Perez);

Miss Perez said she had met with the Parks and Recreation Director and discussed keeping the lights on for longer periods in the parks so that teens could hang out or play sports after dark in a safe environment. She had suggested a time of 11:00 P.M. and staff agreed. The start date for the time extension had not yet been determined. Miss Perez said she would be contacting Chief Nelson Moya to see if the Board could provide any assistance for the future Palm Bay Police Athletic League that could be held at the parks.

b. Volunteer service for placement of shutters for elderly/disabled persons during hurricane season (Board Member Chua);

Miss Chua was seeking input from the Board on establishing a group of volunteers to assist elderly persons during the threat of a hurricane. This would be to help put up their shutters and ensure that their homes were safe prior to the event. Deputy Mayor Johnson supported request. He said that he and approximately fifty (50) individuals helped during the past hurricane season. He suggested that the Board collaborate with the faith-based organizations and they could probably help the majority of individuals needing assistance. The Board concurred.

The City Clerk would provide a list of faith-based organizations in the City. Miss Chua would take the lead on contacting the organizations.

c. Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) preparatory classes for high school students (Board Member Chua).

Miss Chua explained that she had received numerous inquiries as to whether there were classes available to study for the SATs. She wanted to find ways to help students score higher and get into better colleges. Ms. Campbell advised that she would research same and provide information to the Board. She said that test preparation made a difference in scoring, as well as the amount of scholarships that could be received. She

recommended that the Board investigate free resources as well. Miss Perez mentioned that Palm Bay High allowed for borrowing of the preparation book, but it was difficult to understand. Miss Howell mentioned that preparation courses could be taken online, but there was no one to check over your work. She was concerned that if there were mistakes, those mistakes would continue without someone to review.

Mr. Owens asked who would be asked to provide tutoring sessions. Miss Chua was unsure and asked if a reimbursement or incentive could be provided to those teachers that would volunteer their time to help the students. Deputy Mayor Johnson would request Sarah Almond, Brevard Public Schools, to attend the next Board meeting. Her role with the schools was to connect with non-profit organizations and get them to adopt schools. He did not think that Council would approve a budget to pay teachers but felt there were teachers that would volunteer their time regardless. Miss Perez asked if students attending Eastern Florida State College (EFSC) that were studying to become teachers could volunteer and receive some type of credit. Deputy Mayor Johnson said he would contact Michael Cadore, Associate Provost at EFSC, for further information. Miss Chua said she had spoken to Mr. Cadore in the past and EFSC had a “Citizen Scholar” program in which the students went above and beyond in the service-learning program and could receive a coveted distinction upon graduation.

Miss Howell asked if the test preparation would include the ACT tests as well. Miss Chua felt it would cover both.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Ms. Campbell advised of the following:

- A workshop would be held in the School Superintendent’s Conference Room in Viera on November 19th, from 2:00-4:00 P.M., to hear from a law firm regarding the class-action lawsuit against Juul Labs, Inc.;
- The School Board would be presenting its Student Progression Plan on November 19th, which included new options toward graduation;
- Financial literacy, which was recently changed by the State, would be kept in place by Brevard County, even though it was being removed from the senior progression plan. However, students had the opportunity to take financial literacy classes online through Brevard Virtual Schools.

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ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 6:59 P.M.

Abigail Perez, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Terese M. Jones, City Clerk