

City of Coral Gables

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Agenda

Friday, September 15, 2023

8:30 AM

2151 Salzedo Street, Coral Gables, FL

Police and Fire Headquarters, Community Meeting Room

School Community Relations Committee

Board Member Erin Anding
Board Member Winnie Chang
Board Member Sandy Dimitris
Board Member Joshua Goodman
Board Member Ana Lam
Board Member Andrew Nadal
Board Member Cecilia D. Slesnick
Board Member Jennifer Ward Sando
Board Member Sharon Watson

The School Community Relations Committee will be holding its Regular Meeting on Friday, Sept. 15, 2023, commencing at 8:30 a.m. While the Committee is back to live in-person meetings, members of the public may participate in person but are also able to participate via the Zoom platform. Members of the public may join the meeting via Zoom at (<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83893614478>). In addition, a dedicated phone line will be available so that any individual who does not wish (or is unable) to use Zoom may listen to and participate in the meeting by dialing: 305-461-6769 Meeting ID: 838 9361 4478.

To speak on an Agenda Item, please "Raise your Hand" or send a message to one of the meeting hosts using the Zoom Platform. If you joined the meeting via telephone, you can "Raise your Hand" by pressing *9.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLLQUORUM CALL

A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The School Community Relations Committee Minutes of Aug. 18, 2023.

Attachments: [Cover Memo](#)
[SCRC Aug. 18 Draft Minutes](#)

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The School Community Relations Committee provides an opportunity for dialogue and collaboration between schools and their neighbors, including the City of Coral Gables. The committee looks for opportunities to improve schools in terms of physical appearance, community involvement, and quality of education. The Committee will also provide oversight of the City's educational landscape; making sure the City is fulfilling its recent education commitments and assuring that the needs of students and families are being adequately served by the public-school system. Finally, the Committee is intended to serve as a review committee for the Education Compact between the City and Miami Dade Public Schools.

Public Comments shall be limited to two minutes per speaker. A ten second reminder will be provided to the speaker prior to the closing of their time.

C. NEW BUSINESS

C-1 Miami-Dade County Public Schools Update (Facilitated by Mari Tere Rojas, School Board Chair)

C-2 Election of SCRC Chairperson

C-3 Election of SCRC Vice Chairperson

C-4 Approval of 2022-2023 SCRC Annual Report

Attachments: [Draft SCRC Annual Report 2022-2023](#)

Items C-5 and D-1 are related.

C-5 Discussion regarding possible workshop to discuss supplemental funding for area schools in more detail (Facilitated by Winnie Chang, Chairperson)

D. OLD BUSINESS

- D-1 Continuation of discussion regarding supplemental funding for area schools from the City of Coral Gables to address deepening budgetary pressures on public schools (Facilitated by Winnie Chang, Chairperson)**

Attachments: [Updated SCRC Coral Gables Principals Programmatic Needs Assessment](#)

E. ONGOING BUSINESS

- E-1 Notice Pursuant to Resolution No. 2020-245 (Facilitated by Solanch Lopez, Acting Staff Liaison)**

Project: 4241 Aurora Street
School: Coral Gables Senior High School

Attachments: [4241 Aurora Street Statement of Use 8-25-2023 Updated v1](#)
[4241 Aurora Street Architectural Plans 8-25-2023 Updated v1.1](#)

- E-2 General Updates (Facilitated by Solanch Lopez, Acting Staff Liaison)**

- Oct. 13 SCRC Meeting Location:
- Save the Date: 2023 Biennial Boards and Committees Ethics Training (Mandatory for Members)
Friday, Sept. 29, 2023 | 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. | Police & Fire HQ - CMR A & B

F. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- F-1 Next SCRC Meeting - Friday, Oct. 13, 2023 | 8:30 a.m.**

Questions/Comments: scrc@coralgables.com

F-2 Join a local PTA or subscribe to their newsletters using the following links:

Sunset Elementary

<https://www.sunsetpta.org/membership>

Coral Gables Preparatory Academy

<https://coralgablespreppta.membershiptoolkit.com/whyjoin>

GW Carver Elementary

<https://gwcarverelem.memberhub.com/store?category=PTA%20Memberships-%20JOIN%20TODAY>

GW Carver Middle School

<https://carvermiddle.memberhub.com/store>

Ponce de Leon Middle School

<https://ponceptsamemberhub.memberhub.com/store>

Coral Gables High School

<http://gablespta.org/join/>

International Studies Preparatory Academy High School

<https://ispa-pta.com/join-pta/>

West Lab -

<https://www.westlabpto.org/pen>

F-3 International Coastal Cleanup - Saturday, Sept. 16, 2023 | 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Get ready to join millions of volunteers around the globe for the Ocean Conservancy's 38th annual International Coastal Cleanup – the world's largest single-day volunteer effort for our oceans and waterways.

Join Keep Coral Gables Beautiful on Saturday, Sept. 16 at 9 a.m. at one of the two cleanup sites below:

- *Cartagena Park*
- *Riviera and US1 launch site*

If you live in Gables by the Sea, join your neighbors for a neighborhood cleanup within your community!

Carpooling, ridesharing, and public transport are encouraged. Please bring sunscreen, a reusable water bottle, and wear closed-toed shoes. Trash bags, safety vests, trash pickers, and gloves will be provided at each of the sites.

Volunteer hours are available on request. Visit www.coralgables.com/kcgb to register.

F-4 Clubhouse Hours at the DEI Clubhouse - Every Monday | 3 to 7 p.m.

Join us to unwind and enjoy unprogrammed social time at the Clubhouse for adults with intellectual disabilities and autism. The Clubhouse is staffed and open for all members

to socialize in a safe space. Wi-Fi is available.

This is a free activity, no registration required. Clubhouse located at Ruth Bryan Owen Waterway Park, 3940 Granada Blvd.

Questions? Email Catie and Vivian at PlayForAll@coralgables.com or call 305-460-5650.

F-5 School Board Chair Rojas' Office Hours - Thursday, Sept. 21 & Oct. 5, 2023 | 12:30 to 3:00 p.m.

Join School Board Chair Mari Tere Rojas on the first and third Thursday of every month for satellite office hours, located in the first floor conference room at Coral Gables City Hall.

For More Info:

Website: Dade Schools District 6

Email: district6@dadeschools.net

Phone: 305-995-1334

F-6 Parks Pollinator Palooza - Saturday, Sept. 23, 2023 | 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Participate in a family friendly event while giving back to nature. September is all about pollinators as we learn more about butterflies, build birdhouses and create our very own butterfly garden. The event at the War Memorial Youth Center, will feature a nature talk, planting activity, children's crafts and readings, and an introduction to the iNaturalist app to track and record local pollinator species in our community and backyards.

For additional information or questions, please email specialevents@coralgables.com.

F-7 Fewell Park Invasive Plant Removal - Monday, Sept. 25, 2023 | 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Looking for something to do on this upcoming Teacher's Planning Day? Join KCGB on Monday, Sept. 25 from 10:30 a.m. to noon at Fewell Park as we remove invasive plants. Carpooling, ridesharing, and public transport are encouraged. Volunteer hours are available on request. Visit www.coralgables.com/kcgb to register.

F-8 My Squad - Pasta Making & Vision Boards - Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2023 | 6 to 9 p.m.

Coral Gables hosts a monthly social gathering for adults with intellectual disabilities and autism called My Squad. This month's activities on Wednesday, July 27 at 6 p.m. include pasta making and designing vision boards. Pizza for dinner is included. Come to Ruth Bryan Owen Waterway Park, 3940 Granada Blvd. Cost to attend is \$5 and is available at www.playgables.com. For help registering or questions email Catie and Vivian at PlayForAll@coralgables.com or call 305-460-5650.

Coral Gables residency is not required to attend.

F-9 Paws in the Pool - Sunday, Oct. 1, 2023 | 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The Venetian Pool will open its doors on Sunday, Oct. 1 for the annual Paws in the Pool! There are two sessions scheduled. The first session for small dogs (under 30 pounds.) takes place from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The second session for large dogs takes place from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

NOTE

Any person who acts as a lobbyist pursuant to the City of Coral Gables Ordinance No. 2006-11, must register with the City Clerk, prior to engaging in lobbying activities before city staff, boards, committees and/or the City Commission. A copy of the Ordinance is available in the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall.

Any person, or persons, wishing to appeal any decision made by the City Commission with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, will require a verbatim record of the proceeding upon which the appeal is based. Interested persons should, therefore, take the necessary steps to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made which contains the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.

Any person making impertinent or slanderous remarks or who become boisterous while addressing the Commission, shall be barred from further audience before the Commission by the Chair, unless permission to continue or again address the Commission is granted by the majority vote of the Commission Members present. Clapping, applauding, heckling or verbal outbursts or any remarks in support or opposition to a speaker shall be prohibited. Signs or placards shall not be permitted in Commission Chambers.

Any person with a disability requiring communication assistance (such as a sign language interpreter or other auxiliary aide or service) in order to attend or participate in the meeting should contact the City's ADA Coordinator Raquel Elejabarrieta, Esq., Director of Labor Relations and Risk Management (E-mail : relejabarrieta@coralgables.com, Telephone: 305-722-8686, TTY/TDD: 305-442-1600), at least three (3) business days before the meeting.