

City of Coral Gables

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Agenda

Friday, September 16, 2022

8:30 AM

2151 Salzedo Street, Coral Gables, FL 33134

Police and Fire Headquarters, Community Meeting Room

School Community Relations Committee

Chairperson Ariel Fernandez
Vice Chairperson Sam Joseph
Board Member Erin Anding
Board Member Dr. Winnie Chang
Board Member Sandy Dimitris
Board Member Carmen Manrara Cartaya
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, September 16, 2022, 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

ROLL/QUORUM CALL

A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The School Community Relations Committee Draft Minutes of August 19, 2022

Attachments: [Cover Memo](#)
[Draft Aug. 19 SCRC 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 Member)

C-2 Election of SCRC Chairperson

C-3 Election of SCRC Vice Chairperson

C-4 Approval of 2021-2022 SCRC Annual Report

Attachments: [Draft SCRC Annual Report 2021-2022](#)

C-5 Presentation on Cultural Passport program by the Coral Gables Art Cinema (Facilitated by Brenda Moe, Executive Director - Art Cinema)

D. OLD BUSINESS

D-1 Gables Family Literacy Festival Post Event Wrap-Up and Future Planning (Facilitated by Mitchell Zuriarrain, Community Recreation Administrative Operations Supervisor)

E. ONGOING BUSINESS

- E-1 General Updates (Facilitated by Naomi Levi-Garcia, Staff Liaison & Solanch Lopez, Secretary)**

F. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- F-1 Next SCRC Meeting - Friday, October 21, 2022**

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 Park(ing) Day - Sept. 16, 2022**

PARK(ING) Day is an opportunity for people to temporarily turn on-street parking spaces into public places. This international event raises awareness about the importance of a walkable, livable, healthy city and helps people re-think how our streets can be used.

PARK(ING) Day 2022 will take place on Friday, September 16. Photos from the event can be shared on social media using the hashtags #CGParkingDay2022 and #ParkingDay.

- F-4 International Coastal Cleanup 2022 - Sept. 17, 2022 | 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.**

Get ready to join millions of volunteers around the globe for the Ocean Conservancy's 37th annual International Coastal Cleanup – the world's LARGEST one-day volunteer

effort for our oceans and waterways.

Join Keep Coral Gables Beautiful on Saturday, Sept. 17 on land or on the water at one of the cleanup sites. All supplies will be provided, and community services hours are available upon request. Visit www.coralgables.com/kcgb for more information.

F-5 My Squad - Movie in the Park - Sept. 20, 2022 | 6 to 9 p.m.

Coral Gables hosts monthly events for adults with intellectual disabilities and autism called My Squad. The next event is Wednesday, Sept. 28 from 6 to 9 p.m. at Ruth Bryan Waterway Park, 3940 Granada Blvd.

Admission is \$5, and includes a movie showing under the stars, as well as dinner. To contact the Play for All team, email PlayForAll@coralgables.com.

F-6 Paws in the Pool - Oct. 2, 2022 | 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Bring man's best friend for a day at the pool! The Venetian Pool will open its doors for two sessions to accommodate both small and large dogs. Admission is \$7 per dog and \$5 per human.

Session 1 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. is for small dogs only (30 pounds maximum.)

Session 2 from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. is for large dogs only (30 pounds minimum.)

Admission Requirements:

- Admission only granted to those accompanied by a dog.*

- Proof of current rabies vaccination is required and will be checked prior to entry.

- Any dog showing signs of aggression will be asked to leave.

**Children under three years of age will not be admitted into the facility.*

F-7 Lamar Louise Curry Park Ribbon Cutting - Oct. 15, 2022 | 5 to 7 p.m.

Lamar Louise Curry, a Coral Gables Garden Club member, bequeathed \$200,000 to the Coral Gables Garden Club to work with the city on a beautification project. Her wish was granted in the form of a new park named in her honor. Located at 2665 DeSoto Boulevard, the park is across from Venetian Pool and is now open to the public.

"This is a living tribute to a long-time and committed club volunteer," said Susan Rodriguez, club president. "We look forward to unveiling the plaque in her honor and are grateful for Ms. Curry's generosity."

The City of Coral Gables Community Recreation Department will be hosting, in conjunction with the Coral Gables Garden Club, a late afternoon ribbon cutting and plaque unveiling for the park on October 15. Light Refreshments and small bites will be served.

F-8 My Squad - Saturday Splash - Oct. 15, 2022 | 12 to 3 p.m.

Celebrate Disability Acceptance Month in Coral Gables with the Squad at the historic Venetian Pool. During this visit, members will tour the facility, meet a lifeguard, and do plenty of swimming!

Admission is \$10. To contact the Play for All team, email PlayForAll@coralgables.com.

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.