# CORAL GABLES SCHOOL COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

# Meeting Agenda Friday, October 19, 2018

# Coral Gables Planning Dept., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room 427 Biltmore Way Coral Gables, Florida

MEMBERS	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	APPOINTED BY
Ariel Fernandez	Е	-	-	P	A								Mayor Valdes-Fauli
Mary Snow	Р	-	-		P								Commissioner Quesada
Aileen Ortega	Α	-	-	P	Р								Vice Mayor Keon
Samuel Joseph	Р	-	-	P	Р								Commissioner Lago
Carmen Cartaya	Α	-	-	P	P								Commissioner Mena
Sandy Dimitris	Р	-	-	P	A								City Manager Swanson- Rivenbark
Theresa Rice	Р	-	-		P								Commission-as-a-whole

A = Absent

E = Excused Absence

P = Present

- = No meeting

### **STAFF:**

Naomi Levi Garcia, ACA/Intergovernmental Affairs Manager

GUESTS: Robert Ruano, Principal Acosta, Representative Mari Tere Rojas and Iraida Mendez-Cartaya

### **RECORDING SECRETARY:**

Naomi Levi Garcia, ACA/Intergovernmental Affairs Manager

The following represents a summary of the items discussed during the Committee meeting.

#### -MEETING AGENDA -

### I. CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order at 8:30am

### II. ROLL CALL/APPROVAL OF MINUTES

All members were in attendance except Ariel Fernandez and Sandy Dimitris. A quorum was present.

Mary made a motion to approve the September minutes. Alleen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### III. NEW BUSINESS

#### A. Board member's items

- Mari Tere talks about board items: Teacher respect and reading campaign
- Naomi can forward to Communications Dep. If board member's office wants to share information/flyer etc.

### B. Coral Gables Senior High School track lighting

- 300k placed in City CIP budget to light the CGSH track
- lighting would encourage residents to use the track in the evening
- City staff needs to meet with District staff to plan

#### C. Carver Middle Piazza

- PTSA is working on beautifying courtyard into a Piazza
- They want to get the word out to help raise money and find the right contractors

#### IV. ONGOING BUSINESS

#### A. Gables Crest Preparatory Academy

- Statement read from Lilia Garcia (she could not attend due to emergency)
- Board inquires about timing of traffic study and commission-imposed conditions of approval
- General discussion about Crest School. School board member reiterates City's obligation to engage the district when a new school is opening up so close to an existing school.

#### B. Increase SCRC membership

• Sam asked the board if anyone would like to make a motion to increase membership from 7 persons to 11 persons. The purpose of the increase is to ensure there is one board member for each school within the SCRC's purview.

Carmen Manrara makes a motion to increase the SCRC's membership from 7 board members to 11 board members, so that each public school under the SCRC's purview has a dedicated board member, with the suggestion that the additional board members serve as board-as-a-whole appointments. Mary Snow seconds the motion. The motion passes unanimously.

### C. School Improvement Projects

- Board discusses school improvement projects. Board members should identify one goal each to accomplish during the remainder of their terms.
- Come back with your one goal at the next SCRC meeting.
- Sam's goal are City Beautiful awards and leadership council

#### V. EVENTS AND NEWS

### A. Coral Gables Chamber of Commerce Education Breakfast

- Takes place Nov. 15
- Several board members are interested in attending

- Naomi will inquire if City is purchasing a table and whether seats are available
- B. Dan Marino Foundation
  - Dan Marino Foundation helps people with autism and disabilities ages 18-28 with job placement
  - Naomi will put Dan Marino Foundation in contact with Parks staff—valuable resource for phase 3 of inclusion program

## VI. ADJOURNAMENT

Meeting ends at 10:13 a.m. Next SCRC meeting scheduled for November 16<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am.