



**CITY OF DORAL**

**ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

**MINUTES**

The mission of the Doral Environmental Advisory Committee is to make recommendations to the Doral City Council for the sustainment of a safe, healthful, tranquil quality of life for those who live, work and play in the City of Doral, while conserving and protecting the natural resources of the area.

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**Wednesday, February 15, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.**

8300 N.W. 53RD STREET, SUITE 100  
DORAL, FL 33166

**1. Call to order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM

**2. Call to Order / Roll Call of Members**

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| Dr. Kathie Sigler, Chair      | Absent  |
| Mr. Morgan Levy, Vice Chair   | Present |
| Ms. Stephanie Long, Secretary | Present |
| Mr. Nelson Carmentates        | Present |
| Mr. Luis Casado               | Absent  |

Dulce Pantaleon

**3. Agenda/Order of Business** (Following Roberts Rules of Order, speakers to be recognized by the chair).

a. Approval of Minutes

- Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Minutes approved.
- Friday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Special meeting. Minutes approved.
- Wednesday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012 No Quorum meeting. Minutes approved.

#### **4. Discussion Items**

##### **a. Report on visit to Recycling Facility in Pembroke Pines**

- On January 6<sup>th</sup>, the DEAB visited the Pembroke Pine Single Stream Recycling Facility in Pembroke Pines.
- The community should be aware that plastic bags should NOT be placed in the recycling because they can get stuck in the machinery and shut down operations for hours.
- International Composting Week is May 16<sup>th</sup> through the 22<sup>nd</sup>. This should be advertised during the ECO Fair on Earth Day.

##### **b. ECO Fair**

- The ECO Fair will be held on Earth Day April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012 in JC Bermudez Park.
- There was a motion to approve the funding of the ECO Fair for up to \$10,000 was made by Ms. Long and Mr. Carmenantes seconded. Motion approved.

##### **c. Report on Fourth Grade Foresters**

- The event was very fun and successful this year. All the students received trees and were informed about what to do if they don't have the resources to plant their tree.

##### **d. Perennial Peanut Planting**

- On 112<sup>th</sup> Ave, tree and perennial peanuts will be planted.
- Mr. Carmenantes motions that the planting is a public event and that the public is informed about the significance (Date/time/location TBA). Ms. Long seconds. Motion approved.

#### **5. New Business**

##### **a. Youth Conservation Corps**

- Ronald Reagan High School has shown interested in starting up a Youth Conservation Corp with the help from the DEAB. Their initiatives will be educating others about conservation, providing environmental services, and acquiring worth-while volunteer hours. One of their initial programs could be to adopt a road in Doral for clean-up.
- Ms. Long motions that up to \$500 be given to the Youth Conservation Corp for start-up funding. Mr. Carmenantes seconded. Motion approved.

##### **b. Recycling of Organic Waste**

- In-vessel composting has an initial investment of \$400,000 and about a 3 year return on the investment. Mr. Levy is hopeful that the City of Doral could have something like this. Where are the potential locations?

##### **c. Others:**

- Ms. Long wanted to tie in the idea of a Community Garden with the theme of Mr. Levy's composting and the Youth Conservation Corp. The Corp could help run the operation while accruing volunteer hours, while the composting could be used to feed the garden.

- Mr. Levy wanted to leave everyone with the theme of "Zero-Waste City" and see what everyone could come up with.

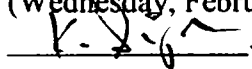
6. Adjournment at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,




Stephanie Long

Motion to approve the minutes of the Environmental Advisory Board Meeting  
(Wednesday, February 15, 2012) made by M. Levy and seconded by




Chair Kathie Sigler



DEAC Member Luis Casado



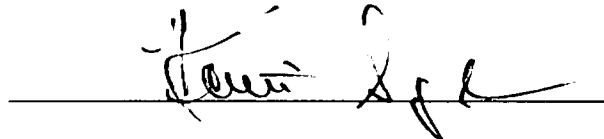
DEAC Member Morgan Levy



DEAC Member Nelson Carmenates



DEAC Member Stephanie Long



Kathie Sigler, Chair