

MINUTES

CITY OF DORAL

SPECIAL NEEDS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, October 27, 2015

8401 N.W. 53rd Terrace 3rd Floor Training Room Doral, FL 33166

- 1. Call to Order by Chairman Jorge van Balen
- 2. Roll Call of Members

Meeting was called to order @ 6:55 p.m.

Jorge van Balen Present
Patricia Kaiser Present
Lourdes L Rocca Present
Yolied Yrausquin Present

Also present was staff liaison Erin Weislow and Barbie Hernandez

3. Public Comments.

- a. Parents expressed interest to implement as soon as possible the employment internship program in Doral and in the future extend this program to the private and charter schools.
- b. Mrs.Kaiser presented an idea to organize more often gets together in the park with different activities in coordination with the parents. Mrs. Barbara Hernandez pointed out that they have to reserve a place in the park and offered to help in that event.
- c. Parents suggested the importance to have access to the information in other languages, not only in English, relating to special needs.
- d. Parents presented the importance to open programs of ESE in the schools of Doral in all levels: Elementary, Middle School, and High School, not only Public schools, but also in private and charter schools.

4. Approval of minutes of 10/27/2015 Meeting.

Minutes for 10/27/2015 were read. A motion was placed by Jorge van Balen to approve them. Motion was seconded by Lourdes L Rocca. Minutes were approved by all members.

5. Discussion Topic I. New Board Member: Lourdes L Rocca.

Lourdes L Rocca was accepted to the Special Needs Advisory Board. Election for the board position were approved: Jorge Van Balen Chairman, Patricia Kaiser Vice Chairman, Lourdes L Rocca Secretary, Yolied Yrausquin member.

6. Discussion Topic II. Employment Internship program in Doral high schools, for students in SEP program. Update News.

Employment Internship program in Doral high school for students in SEP program will be present to the council member in December City Council meeting. Motion was approved by all members.

7. Discussion Topic III. City of Doral Special Needs Population Survey.

Board members Yolied Yrausquin and Patricia Keizer wanted to add more information to the survey. Therefore approval of the Survey form was deferred to next meeting. Yrausquin and Keiser will bring to the next meeting the information they want to add to the survey.

8. Workshops for Special Need Parents.

This workshop will be held in the next year. It will include presentations in all subjects related to special needs.

9. New Business.

Parks and Recreations are organizing a special abilities resource fair. The best day that elected was April 30, 2016.

10. Adjournment.

The meeting adjournment was motioned by Jorge van Balen and seconded by Patricia Kaiser. All member present were in favor and meeting was adjourned at 8:45Pm

Respectfully Submitted,	
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