

**CITY OF GREENBELT
ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION**

Approved 4/23/19

Monday, March 25, 2019. Meeting was held in the Municipal Building and presided over by Chair, Melinda Brady. Meeting started at 6:45pm.

PRESENT

ACE: Don Rich, Leta Mach, Janet Mirsky, Melinda Brady, Kate McElhenny, Elsie Waynes, Jon Gardner, Gordon Gainer, Veronica Martin-Alston and Liz Park

ABSENT:

ACE: Leta Mach, Sudhanshu Sinha, and Arsalan Siddiqui (YAC)

Welcome of New Ace Member, Gordon Gainer

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Minutes of February meeting approved by acclaim.

Status of liaison assignments

Discussed current liaison assignment and possibility of someone following Board of Education or ACE Clubs. Discussion tabled until April meeting

Discussion of Teacher's Lounge Initiative (Cortland Jones)

Discussion of proposal, decision to decline. Liz will send him information about Greenbelt Community Foundation.

Student Awards Nominations (due 4/8)

Members reminded to reach out to their assigned schools regarding nominations. Reminder that student must live within City limits. Committee decided that absolute last date for submission is April 23rd.

Updates

Melinda attended Board of Education and Council Worksession. SHL is slated for renovation/new construction in 2020; Jon suggested ACE consider advocating for this to happen as they did for GMS; Potential for new high school in northern part of county to address crowding at ERHS; discussion of use of school fields; boundary issues were discussed (Greenbelt students attending Greenbelt Schools)

Suggestion from last meeting of ACE sponsoring with other municipal committees to hold an event with Dr. Thornton. Melinda spoke to College Park and Berwyn Heights liaisons. Possible dates 4/28 & 5/19.

ALL OTHER BUSINESS

Gordon brought up some issues he sees in schools: use of cell phones by students, students not attending classes, etc.

Jon discussed making up tasks associated with grants to garner help in getting all tasks completed.

Next Meeting – April 23

5/8 Student Awards, 7pm Council Chambers

The meeting was adjourned at 7: 30 pm.