

**CITY OF GREENBELT  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION**

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Approved: June 25, 2019

Tuesday, May 28, 2019. Meeting was held in the library in the Municipal Building and presided over by Chair, Melinda Brady. Meeting started at 7:08pm.

**PRESENT**

*ACE:* Janet Mirsky, Melinda Brady, Kate McElhenny, Jon Gardner, Gordon Gainer, Don Rich, Leta Mach and Sudhanshu Sinha.

**ABSENT:**

*ACE:* Liz Park, Elsie Waynes, Veronica Martin-Alston

**MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

Minutes of April meeting will be reviewed at the June meeting.

**FEEDBACK ON STUDENT AWARDS**

Jon Gardner noticed that the City Council members were not introduced during the Student Award ceremony. The script used was appropriate for award ceremonies during Council meetings, where Council performs roll call. Melinda will correct the omission. Leta Mach noted that moving the ceremony to Wednesday worked well. Jon Gardner agreed, and felt the educator awards should be moved to Wednesday and held independently, as well. Sudhansu Sinha suggested that the digital monitors show a slide of the student's face and name of school. There was much agreement. Leta suggested talking to the City Clerk and Bev Palau. There was one student who showed up very late. If this should happen again, there should be an effort made to move the order of the schools, in case the awardee arrives later.

**REPORT ON EDUCATION FORUM WITH DR. THORNTON**

The Education Forum was held on Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> from 2-4pm in the Community Center. There was a good turnout, with a sizable group wishing to address the possible name change of DuVal High School. Melinda Brady will draft a report to send to Dr. Thornton, and then to be posted on the ACE webpage.

**2019-2020 Budget**

Janet Mirsky presented the budget as of the end of April. The committee ran over on supplies, as large purchases were made to supply the award gifts (apples, bags, gift cards). Jon Gardner asked whether the budget was likely to be increased by Council this year. Leta Mach answered that the budget is likely to remain the same, and is set to pass next Monday. Jon Gardner asked that an eye be kept on the County's contribution to the scholarship fund, as we are spending it down, and if we were to lose the contribution, the fund would soon be depleted. It was requested that the TPA club be renamed Club #3 in the budget in case it does not continue. Jon Gardner motioned to approve the budget with amendments. This motion passed by acclaim.

### **UPDATES- CLUBS, GRANTS**

Jon Gardner reminded the group that the TPA club met twice as often because it was only held for the second half of the year, and will not continue at that rate. Melinda Brady agreed, that that had been communicated. Jon Gardner will send out a reminder to ACE grantees to report on their grants.

### **ALL OTHER BUSINESS**

#### **Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be June 25th

The meeting was adjourned at 7:54pm.