



City of Doral Special Needs Advisory Board Minutes

Thursday, May 10, 2018
6:00 p.m.
Doral Police Training Center
Community Room
3719 N.W. 97th Avenue
Doral, FL 33178

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m.

2. Roll Call of Board Members

Vinita Tandon, Chair	Present
Rosa Sanabria, Vice Chair	Present
Corina Orozco, Board Member	Present
Vacant, Board Member	
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Also present were:

George Vega, Parks and Recreation Department and audience members

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Public Comments

There was audience participation during meeting.

5. Approval of Minutes

a. March 8, 2018

By consensus, the March 8, 2018 meeting minutes were approved.

6. Discussion Items

a. Update: Devine Savior New Friends program

Scheduling conflict with Special Olympics. Vinita Tandon asked for available dates to be emailed to her. Last event, they had 20 volunteers and only 3-4 kids showed up. Members of the public suggested different activities be available for Devine Savior New Friends program.

b. Update: Parent Education Workshop

Per George Vega, information was very useful and only 10 parents showed up.

c. Update: FIU Employment Conference.

FIU Embrace includes free medical help, free legal help. They offer paid internships and employment. Register online. Baptist, Walgreens, and other big companies are interested in getting involved. Per Vinita, this is a great network program for parents.

d. Update: Programming for Special Needs at Doral Legacy Park.

Per George Vega, entering busy months. Will also ask for information on adult programs. They are very good in interview training. Per audience, not all kids are qualified for this program. Some are non-verbal. Hub support trains kids on all aspects.

e. Update: Wallets ID Card Project.

Per George Vega, Police Department was contacted, and they have been trained, but not ready to implement program. George will look into furthering with other vendors. Per Rosa Sanabria, Angie Torrez is the person in charge in Miami Lakes. Per audience member, lady states she applied for ID for her son and they told her that her son did not qualify because he is not verbal. Vinita asked for her to forward email to both her and George for follow-up.

f. Update: Survey Results

g. Update: Summer Programming

Potluck is coming up. Requesting more programs for the summer. Look into Christmas programs as well. Per Vinita Tandon, look into allowing more parents to participate. Per George, we need to limit amount of participants due to space and look into RSVP and use of e-vite. George will look into 4th of July events for our kids.

h. Discussion: SPED Outreach Program

Program is already at City of Miami. Still big problem with no schools for kids with special Needs. Per Rosa Sanabria, she has tried everything to get schools in Doral to open a Special Needs program. She will get a hold of Rosa Maria Barbara, Chair for Superintendent Advisory for Special Needs for Miami Dade Public Schools.

7. Future Meeting Date Wednesday, June 27, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

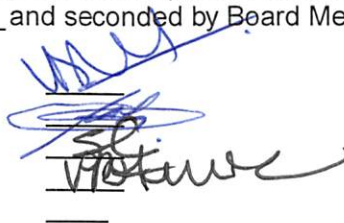
8. Discussion of next meeting agenda items.

9. Adjournment Meeting adjourns at 7:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Motion to approve the minutes of the May 10, 2018 Special Needs Advisory Board Meeting made by Board Member _____ and seconded by Board Member _____.

Chair Vinita Tandon
Vice Chair Rosa Sanabria
Board Member Sergio Leao
Board Member Vanessa Fernandez
Vacant ~~Sergio Leao~~

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APPROVED and ADOPTED this 14th day of November 2018

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Vinita Tandon, Chair