



## MINUTES

### CITY OF DORAL

## SPECIAL NEEDS ADVISORY BOARD

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**Tuesday, February 23, 2016**

Doral Government Center  
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Training Room  
8401 N.W. 53<sup>rd</sup> Terrace  
Doral, FL 33166

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

Meeting was called to order @ 6:34PM

Jorge van Balen	Present
Patricia Kayser	Present
Lourdes L Rocca	Present
Yolyed Yrausquin	Absent
Katy Echeverria	Present

Also present were:

Erin Weislow, Staff Liaison Present  
Michael Festa, Staff Liaison Present

### **3. Public Comments.**

Mrs. Sahabria expressed her concern that there are not special education programs in the schools of Doral. It is not right that the children have to go to other cities to receive services. Jorge Van Balen explained to her that we are working on this subject and in the base of the survey we will have a better idea of what is the special need population and what will be their needs.

### **4. Approval of minutes of 02/23/2016 Meeting.**

Minutes for 02/23/2016 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. Summer Camp and Spring Break.**

a. Summer Camp: Michael Festa expressed that the Parks and Recreations will be organizing a summer camp. They have to decide some details like time, the leader of the camp, and duration of the camp, etc.

b. Spring Break: Jorge Van Balen will represent to Parks and Recreation some ideas and needs to organize the Spring Break 2017.

**6. Discussion Topic II. Survey Special Need Population in City of Doral report to City Council.**

Patricia Kayser will present the survey to the City of Doral Council for approval, March 2, 2016. She proposed to invite all the parents of Special Needs to attend the presentation.

**7. Discussion Topic III. Monthly Get Together.**

Patricia Kayser will contact Parks and Recreation, Michael Festa, to coordinate the dates and reservations for this activity. The Get Together's should be starting April 2016 in Central Park.

**8. Discussion Topic IV. Pampering Our Special Mommies Event. Mother's Day 2016**

In the past this event was organized by one ex member of the board. It is not part of the budget of the City of Doral, for this reason the event will not be possible this year to do it.

**9. Discussion Topic V. Update: Special Resource Fair on April 30, 2016**

Michael Festa expressed that the fair needs vendor and Katy Echevarria will help with this issue.

**10. New Business:** None

**11. Future Meeting Dates:**

The next meeting will be on March 22, 2016

**12. Adjournment.**

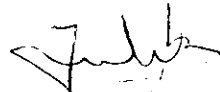
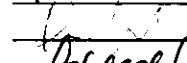
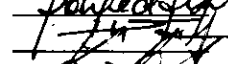
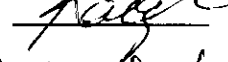

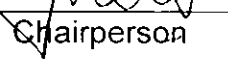
The meeting adjournment was motioned by Jorge van Balen and seconded by Patricia Kayser. All member present were in favor and meeting was adjourned at 7:23pm

Respectfully Submitted,

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