



Construction Advisory Committee | MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7, 2018 – 4:30 PM
LCPEC – COLONIAL BLVD. ★ TRAINING ROOM “D”

Attendees

Scott Allen	Ryan Richards
Art Castellanos	Molly Scott
Antonio Correia	Curtis Sheard
Alex Dworzanski	Amber Smith
Blanca Edwards	Rochelle Thimlar
Ric Niekamp	Ronald Tyre
Nicholas Palomba	Darren Watkins
Beatriz Reyes	

Absent

None

LCPEC Staff

Greg Blurton, Staff Liaison & Director of District Planning
Steven Teuber, Board Member
Chris Patricca
Robert Dodig

Recording Secretary

Pat Johnson

AGENDA TOPICS

Welcome

Mr. Ryan Richards welcomed everyone and called for introductions around the room as there are two new members. He also recognized Mr. Watkins as vice chair who will be attending the next Quarterly meeting in his absence.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Richards called for a vote to approve the February 7, 2018 minutes. **Motion** made by Mr. Tyre, and **Seconded** by Mrs. Scott. **Carried 14-0.**

Board Member Update – Mr. Steven Teuber

Mr. Teuber attended a meeting in Tallahassee and HB 7026, Gun Safety Bill, was on the agenda. He explained the Bill and what it means to the District. Lee County School District will only receive \$12,000 for each school for safety/security updates. Tallahassee requires school districts to do something without adequate funding, however, he feels that schools in Lee County are in good shape. When the time comes and more information is received from Tallahassee, Mr. Teuber would like CAC to be involved with the School Risk Assessment process.

Additional Resources for Revenue – Mrs. Patricca & Mr. Dodig

Mrs. Patricca and Mr. Dodig presented a PowerPoint slideshow of the financial history of the District and the reason for the ½ penny sales tax incentive. There was much discussion amongst the Committee and how the District should best get the message out. The Committee advised that the District to move quickly on this and keep the message going every week via various media mediums.

Discussion:

- Teacher housing concept is needed.
- Marketing seems to be lacking. Where is the campaign?

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- What is the percentage of voters who have school-aged children?
- Tell the voter why Lee schools don't have any money – Tallassee isn't looking out for us.
- Share the PowerPoint from tonight's meeting with the voters.
- Upgrade old schools too. They are just as important as new buildings.
- "The last shall be first" – the tax initiative is on the last page and last amendment on the ballot.
- Get the information in the News-Press.
- Be consistent with the "The last shall be first" – Put it everywhere! We have waited too long to get the word out.
- Why are we not going for 1 whole cent?
- With the Impact Fees being raised, it's going to give the wrong message to voters who believe those fees will help the District.
- Impact Fees were increased and might hurt the tax initiative – giving wrong idea to voters that the school will get more money.

District Facility Construction Updates – Mr. Reichenbacher

- Bonita Springs High School
 - Construction on schedule.
- MMM
 - Architect has been obtained. Everything is on schedule.
- Lehigh Sr. High School Addition
 - Pre-submission meetings for Architect, CM's, and building officials are on target

Discussion – Presentation of Future Meetings

- Presentation on District owned vacant property
- HB 7069
- Lessons Learned presentation and open discussion on Bonita High School
- Public/Private Partnership – P3
- New vs. prototype designs schools
- Maintenance issues in the schools – used to have a wish list
- Tax Incentive – "What's In It For Me"

Public Comment

No guests in attendance

Good of the Order

None

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Watkins

Seconded by Mr. Tyre

Carried 15-0

Time: 6:00 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: April 4, 2018 @ 4:30 p.m. – Training Room "D"