

CITY OF WESTLAKE



MINUTES

Education Advisory Board Meeting
Thursday, January 16, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Westlake City Hall
4001 Seminole Pratt Whitney Rd.
Westlake, Florida 33470

Board Members:

Anita Kaplan, Chair
Lisa Barron, Vice Chair
Colleen Forlizzi, Board Member
Krystal Lexima, Board Member
Keith Miller, Board Member

City Staff:

Greg Langowski, Councilmember Liaison
Zoie P. Burgess, CMC, City Clerk
Jennifer N. Hankins, Deputy City Clerk
Donald J. Doody, Esq., City Attorney

A meeting of the Education Advisory Board of the City of Westlake was held on Thursday, January 16, 2025, at 6:00 PM., at Westlake City Hall, 4001 Seminole Pratt Whitney Road. Members of the public also live streamed the meeting through electronic means and accessed as follows:

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CALL TO ORDER

Chair Anita Kaplan called the Westlake Education Advisory Board meeting of Thursday, January 16, 2025, to order at 6:00 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present and constituting a quorum:

Board Member Colleen Forlizzi

Board Chair Anita Kaplan

Board Member Krystal Lexima

Also present:

Jennifer Hankins, Deputy City Clerk

Absent:

Board Vice Chair Lisa Barron

Board Member Keith Miller

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board Chair Kaplan led the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Kaplan called for a motion to approve the agenda.

Motion by Board Member Colleen to approve the agenda for January 16, 2025, seconded by Board Member Lexima.

UPON ROLL CALL:

Board Member Lexima	YES
Board Member Forlizzi	YES
Board Member Kaplan	YES

With all in favor, motion carried without dissent (3-0).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes_Education Advisory Board Meeting - 10.24.2024

Chair Kaplan identified the approval of minutes and called for a motion to approve.

Motion by Board Member Forlizzi to approve the minutes of October 24, 2024, seconded by Board Member Lexima.

UPON ROLL CALL:

Board Member Forlizzi	YES
Board Member Lexima	YES
Board Chair Member Kaplan	YES

With all in favor, motion carried without dissent (3-0).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Board Member Comments/Reports/Updates

Board discussion on School needs and upcoming activities and how the board may assist.

B. Board Members Assigned School- report on a School Activity and/or Need

Board updates regarding Seminole Ridge High School, Golden Grove Elementary and their school's needs

Further Board discussion on School needs and upcoming activities and how the board may assist.

Board discussion regarding business that they may reach out to regarding a possible partnership with schools.

C. Trade Programs, Gifted Programs and Exceptional Student Education (ESE) Programs

Board discussion of various school programs and activities.

D. Strategic Plan Final Review for Council Approval with Action Priorities

Chair Kaplan introduced the item. Chair Kaplan and the Board discussed the item in detail.

E. Potential Culver's Fundraising Program for Schools

Board Member Lexima created a sample letter and flyer to present to Council. The Board appointed members to the Restaurants in Westlake to hand out the letter if approved by Council. The Board

approved the information to be emailed to Vice Mayor Langowski for review and then presented to Council.

F. Interaction with Palm Beach County School Board Meetings

Board discussion on attending School Board Meetings. Chair Kaplan suggested she would go to the School Board meetings.

NEW BUSINESS

No New Business discussed.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/REPORTS/UPDATES

PUBLIC COMMENTS

This section of the agenda allows for comments from the public to address the Board. Each speaker will be given a total of three (3) minutes to comment. Please address Board from podium, and prior to addressing the Board, state your name and address for the record.

Chair Kaplan called for public comments.

No public comments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Kaplan adjourned the meeting at 7:21 PM


Zoie Burgess, CMC City Clerk


Anita Kaplan, Board Chair