

ACTION AGENDA

S.T.A.R.S. MANAGEMENT ADVISORY BOARD

September 30, 2020

4 o'clock p.m.



S.T.A.R.S. Advisory Board					
Wilbur C. Smith	Michael Morris	Dr. Jesse Bryson	Neale Montgomery	Ross Webb	Amanda Mingione
Vacant			Ron Inge		

OSCAR M. CORBIN, JR. CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 2200 SECOND STREET FORT MYERS, FLORIDA

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CALL TO ORDER (4:01 PM)

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

Roll Call

- Minutes of the regular meeting held on August 26, 2020
- Public Input
- Recreation Partner Presentation
- Afterschool Club Update
- 2020 Budget Report

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ron Inge (See video @ 04:02pm)
Absent: Dr. Jesse Bryson (See video @ 4:02 pm)
Approved. (See Video @ 4:02pm)
There was not public comment. (See video @ 4:03pm)
A motion is not required (See video @ 4:03pm)
A motion is not required (See video @ 4:30pm)
Approved Goals for FY 20/21 (See Video @ 4:45pm)
5:03 pm

Adjourn

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REGULAR MEETING, S.T.A.R.S MANAGEMENT ADVISORY BOARD
August 26, 2020

The S.T.A.R.S. Management Advisory Board of the City of Fort Myers, Florida, met in regular session on Wednesday, August 26, 2020 at 4:00 o'clock p.m. Board Members present were Neale Montgomery, Ron Inge, Michael Morris, Amanda Mingione and Ross Webb. Wilbur Smith, and Dr. Jesse Bryson were absent. Advisory Board Members; Jazzmen Williams, Amber Smith, Malik Hines, and Isaiah McFadden.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 04:03 P.M. by Neale Montgomery.

(04:05) Roll call was performed.

NO. 1 MINUTES: (04:05) Amanda Mingione moved and seconded by Michael Morris to approve the minutes of the July 22, 2020 meeting. The motion carried.

NO. 2 Public Input: (04:05) There was no public input.

NO. 3 Recreation Volunteer Policy: (04:05) Amber Ware, Sr. Center manager stated that in order for us to have volunteers for educational and athletic activities all volunteers must be able to pass a level 1 background check and apply for the volunteer position. In the past the STARS has just accepted volunteers and now we need to have a formal volunteer policy and apart of the STARS procedures and policy manual that all active volunteers must apply and be approved via a background check for anyone over the age of 16 prior to volunteering. Mrs. Ware stated that in addition this policy will be implemented with our recreation partners, and this will assist anyone that uses the STARS facility, and has volunteers, and is very low cost. Michael Morris mad a motion to approve the recreation volunteer policy, seconded by Ross Webb. The motion carried.

NO. 4. Public support letter for the STARS expansion & Billy Bowlegs Community Center: (04:10) Mrs. Ware stated that we have been moving forward with the design for the expansion of the STARS Complex that will be able to accommodate additional programs. Mrs. Ware stated that the City manager is asking that we apply for a grant for this \$20 million dollar project, and a part of the application is to have letters of support from agencies, partners, and stake holders that are willing to back the project. Mrs. Ware is requesting that the STARS Advisory Board come together to write a letter of support for the project. Ross Webb made a motion to apply for the grant for the expansion of the STARS Complex, seconded by Amanda Mingione. The motion carried.

NO. 5. Backpack/ School supply giveaway (04:15) Mrs. Ware stated that on August 22, 2020 we held our annual backpack and school supply giveaway, and gave out over 500 backpacks filled with school supplies to needy families in the community, thanks to donations from various organizations and private donors. Mrs. Ware stated that there was a line with some people waiting as long as 2 hours to receive their supplies, in addition to receiving backpacks they received PPE, with hand sanitizer and face masks in preparation for school. Mrs. Ware stated that we also distributed uniforms to 146 kids. Mrs. Ware stated that we have since received requests for more supplies from people and that we have been in contact with Franklin Park and James Stephens to donate left over supplies that we have.

NO. 6. Virtual Learning Pod (04:20) Mrs. Ware stated that we having been receiving inquiries regarding Lee Virtual and having a place for children to connect, and when they have questions, are able to ask a live person for assistance. Mrs. Ware stated that this is a short term, short day program, from 9am-12:30 pm, this is not the connect

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program that Lee Schools offers where the children are logged into a class, these students work at their own pace on their school assignments.

NO. 7. FY 2021 Budget (04:26) Mrs. Smith stated that attached is the preliminary budget is attached and the City Manager is recommending a status quo budget meaning that we are at the same point that we were at last year. Mrs. Ware asks the STARS Advisory Board to give a recommendation that there are no decreases in the budget, it has been enough to accomplish all of our goals, even with the added expenses due to COVID. Mrs. Ware stated that she has also included a STARS program expenses supplementing the 4900 account, that account was the \$274,000 that we were allotted in 2020, it is a detailed analysis of every dollar that was spent and what it was spent on and also attached for 20-21 the programs that we have planned to do with that funding, we are also anticipating to recognize the athletic revenue so that it will offset our expenses. Amanda Mingione made a motion to recommend the City Manager and City Council approve the budget, seconded by Ross Webb. The motion carried.

NO. 8. Adjourn (4:42) Mr. Morris moved to adjourn the meeting, Ms. Mingione seconded the motion. Ms. Montgomery adjourned the meeting.