

# City of Doral Special Needs Advisory Board Minutes

Thursday, September 5, 2019
6:00 p.m.
Doral Police Training & Community Center
Community Room
3719 N.W. 97<sup>th</sup> Avenue
Doral, FL 33178

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

## 2. Roll Call of Board Members

Vinita Tandon, Chair
Vanessa B. Fernandez, Vice Chair
Sergio Leao, Secretary
Elizabeth Dager, Board Member
Matthew Shiebler, Board Member
Present
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Also present were: Jeorge Vega, Parks and Recreation Department

### 3. Pledge of Allegiance

#### 4. Public Comments

a. The public comment portion of the meeting was moved to the end of the meeting.

## 5. Approval of Minutes

a. Motion to approve the June 20, 2019 meeting minutes were made by the board. By consensus, motion passes unanimously.

## 6. Discussion Items

a. Discussion: New Board Member Introductions
Two new board members: Elizabeth Dager and Matthew Shiebler introduced themselves to the rest of the board and the public.

b. Presentation: Happy Kids PPEC Foundation

Mr. Rodriguez started off his presentation by explaining that PPEC stands for Prescribed Pediatric Extended care. Mr. Rodriguez informed the board that Happy Kids PPEC Foundation is a day treatment program prescribed by a physician where they offer different services such as skilled nursing, physical therapy, speech therapy, occupational therapy and behavioral therapy. Overall, their PPEC goal is to provide and maintain a safe, nurturing environment where their patients can grow and develop together. They offer their services to children from ages 0 to 21 and they also provide transportation and school services and they will provide services in Doral.

- c. Discussion: Event with Doral Police Planning Age Appropriate & Contents Ms. Tandon briefly updated the new board members on this discussion item. Ms. Tandon explained that they wanted to have an event where kids registered in different sports program would meet with Police in an informal setting, so they don't have any fear of them. They have already invited Police to some events, and they will continue doing so.
- d. Discussion: Adult Training Explore Options for Doral
  As previously mentioned in past board meetings, Ms. Tandon explained that there are no ADT centers located in or near Doral, and she hasn't been able to find concrete information because she's not a vendor, so she is asking the board and the public if anyone can try to get more information on it. As she stated in the previous meeting, it'll be a lengthy project as they try to get more information as time goes on.
- e. Discussion: Divine Savior Academy New School Progress Mr. Leao briefly updated the new board members about the new school that Divine Savior is constructing. Mr. John Althoff from Divine Savior updated the board on the progress of the new school regarding construction, estimated opening date and ideas for programs they might implement.
- f. Open Discussion
- 7. Future Meeting Date: Thursday, November 14, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.
- 8. Adjournment: Meeting adjourns at 7:09 p.m.

Juanita Cruz, Office of the City Clerk

Motion to approve the minutes of the September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Special Needs Advisory Board Meeting made by Board Member \_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by Board Member

Chair Vinita Tandon Vice Chair Vanessa B. Fernandez Secretary Sergio Leao Board Member Elizabeth Dager Board Member Matthew Schiebler

APPROVED and ADOPTED this 14th day of November 2019.