

**ACADEMY OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE, INC.**  
**CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**2:30 pm**  
**March 8, 2023**  
**Minutes**

**1. Call to Order/Roll Call**

Chris Monrad called to order the regular meeting of the AES Board of Directors at 2:31 pm on Wednesday, March 8, 2023, at the Academy of Environmental Science Campus.

Present: Angelique Hickman, Bonnie Saylor, Chris Monrad, Keith Pullias, Kevin Cunningham, Michael Fisette (arrived at 2:33pm), Pierre Santos, Ted Davis and Tom Gotterup. Present by phone Michelle Leeper. Absent with prior notice Drake Banks, Shaunda Burdette. Absent without notice Michael Czerwinski.

Staff present: Nikki Rieck, Ernest Hopper, Misty Lyons.

**2. Moment of silent reflection**

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

**4. Introduction of visitors and guests**

Mike Hrabina

**5. Approval of agenda**

Motion made by Tom Gotterup to approve the agenda. Seconded by Pierre Santos.

Motion Carried.

**6. Approval of Annual Board Meeting minutes from February 8, 2023**

Motion made by Pierre Santos to approve the minutes. Seconded by Ted Davis. Motion carried.

**7. Approval of Board Meeting minutes from February 8, 2023**

Motion made by Pierre Santos to approve the minutes. Seconded by Tom Gotterup. Motion carried.

**8. Approval of Board Meeting minutes from February 22, 2023**

Motion made by Tom Gotterup to approve the minutes. Seconded by Pierre Santos. Motion carried.

**9. Citizen Comments-** none

**10. Officers' Reports**

**a. Vice-Chairman**

Chris Monrad and Nikki Rieck are working on getting handbooks to the new board members.

**b. Treasurer-**

Motion made by Angelique Hickman to approve the Treasurer's report. Seconded by Tom Gotterup. Motion carried.

Motion made by Pierre Santos to approve transferring \$178,371.81 from our internal account to AES Special Capital Project Fund. Seconded by Tom Gotterup. Motion carried.

Motion by Pierre Santos to approve transferring funds from our internal account to the AES Special Capital Project Fund as needed as we continue with the upcoming building repairs. Seconded by Ted Davis. Motion carried.

Motion made by Pierre Santos to state the AES Board is committed to obtain funds through grants, fundraisers and community outreach programs to fund current and future building repairs to enable AES to keep a healthy fund balance. Seconded by Ted Davis. Motion carried.

**c. Secretary-**none

**11. Principal's Report**

Mr. Hopper has sent out requests for bids from 6 contractors. The elevator bids should go out on March 9, 2023.

## **12. New Business**

a. Mike Hrabina – Presentation regarding endowment for long term funding. Mr. Hopper will share the presentation. Discussion was tabled until the next board meeting.

## **13. Old Business**

### **a. Facility maintenance/capital improvements**

1. **Coastal Resiliency**- none
2. **Status of Repairs**- Bids have gone out.
3. **Septic to sewer**- In progress.
4. **Plan for phase 3 repairs**- In progress.

b. **Boat Auction**- none

c. **Public Outreach Campaign**-none

**14. Committee Reports**- none

## **15. Board of Directors' Reports/Comments**

Tom Gotterup shared a memory/thank you book from the YMCA Gala.

## **16. Staff Reports/Comments**

Thank you, cards will be going out to all donors.

## **17. Calendar/Upcoming AES Events**

March 10, 2023, AES Dance

## **18. Items for Next Meeting Agenda**

Old Business and discussion of Mike Hrabina presentation

## **19. Time and Date of Next Meeting**

April 12, 2023, at 2:30pm at AES- Regular Board Meeting

## **20. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Pierre Santos. Seconded by Angelique Hickman. Motion carried 4:09pm