ACADEMY OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE, INC.

CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA Board of Directors Meeting 2:30 pm May 10, 2023 Minutes

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Michelle Leeper called to order the regular meeting of the AES Board of Directors at 2:30 pm on Wednesday, May 10, 2023, at the Academy of Environmental Science Campus.

Present: Angelique Hickman, Bonnie Saylor, Chris Monrad, Drake Banks (arrived 2:30pm), Keith Pullias, Michael Czerwinski, Michael Fisette, Pierre Santos, Ted Davis, Tom Gotterup. Absent with prior notice Shaunda Burdette and Kevin Cunningham.

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

- 2. Moment of silent reflection
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Introduction of visitors and guests

Darrick Buettner (arrived 2:33pm)

5. Approval of agenda

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

6. Approval of Board Meeting minutes from April 12, 2023

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

7. Citizen Comments

8. Officers' Reports

- a. Vice-Chairman- none
- b. Treasurer

Motion made by Angelique Hickman to accept the Treasurer's report. Seconded by Ted Davis. Motion carried.

c. Secretary-none

9. Principal's Report

State testing is in progress.

10. New Business

- a. Interviews of potential candidates for open board member positions.
 - 1. Dee Atkins 3:00pm
 - 2. Beth Thomas 3:15pm

Motion by Pierre Santos to vote on the new board member. Seconded by Tom Gotterup. Motion carried.

Motion by Pierre Santos to accept Dee Atkins as the new board member. Seconded by Ted Davis. Motion carried.

11. Old Business

- a. Facility maintenance/capital improvements
 - 1. Coastal Resiliency-none
 - 2. Status of Repairs- Repairs start June 1. Elevator TBD
 - 3. Septic to sewer- Moving forward
 - 4. Plan for phase 3 repairs- Bids will be sent out in December
- b. Boat Auction- No update
- c. Public Outreach Campaign- No update
- d. Discussion of proposal by Mike Hrabina- Will be added to the June agenda, Mike Hrabina to speak. Discussion about establishing a 501c3 and an endowment.
- e. Fall Gala- Committee meetings will resume.

12. Committee Reports

- a. Ray's tickets and Citrus Apparel basket will be raffled by the Citrus County Chronicle.
- **13. Board of Directors' Reports/Comments-** Discussion about the lease with the city. Keith Pullias has a real estate attorney review the lease.
- 14. Staff Reports/Comments- Money will be tighter starting 2024-2025 school year.
- 15. Calendar/Upcoming AES Events
- **16. Items for Next Meeting Agenda-** Mike Hrabina
- **17. Time and Date of Next Meeting-** Special Meeting May 31, 2023, at 2:30pm at AES, Regular Board Meeting June 14, 2023 at 2:30pm at 504 NE US HWY 19, Crystal River.

18. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Pierre Santos to adjourn. Seconded by Angelique Hickman. Motion carried 4:39 pm