

ACADEMY OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE, INC.

CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA

Board of Directors Meeting

2:30 pm

June 14, 2023

Meeting 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, June 14, 2023, at 504 NE US Hwy 19, Crystal River, Florida. Present: Angelique Hickman (arrival time 2:35 pm), Bonnie Saylor, Chris Monrad, Dee Atkins, Keith Pullias, Kevin Cunningham, Michael Fisette, Shaunda Burdette, Ted Davis. Absent with prior notice: Drake Banks, Michael Czerwinski, and Tom Gotterup. No staff present.

2. Moment of silent reflection

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Introduction of visitors and guests

Mike Hrabina and Dr. Jill Adera

5. Approval of agenda

Motion made by Dee Atkins to approve the agenda. Seconded by Chris Monrad.

Motion Carried.

6. Approval of Board Meeting minutes from May 10, 2023

Motion made by Angelique Hickman to approve the minutes. Seconded by Shaunda Burdette.

Motion carried.

7. Approval of Special Board Meeting minutes from May 31, 2023

Motion made by Kevin Cunningham to approve the minutes. Seconded by Chris Monrad. Motion carried.

8. Citizen Comments

9. Officers' Reports

a. Vice-Chairman

b. Treasurer

Keith Pullias will have a complete report at the July meeting.

c. Secretary

Angelique Hickman will take over the contact list from Chris Monard.

10. Principal's Report- Email from Earnie Hopper sent June 13, 2023 at 2:08 pm.

Phase 2 repairs:

- The front walkway joists are complete.
- The balcony joists have been replaced; however, there are about 5 more joists that will need to be replaced as these were uncovered when completing that work (there will be an additional cost-Not sure about the amount yet) Waiting on the contractor to give me the change order.
- They are working on the back 2 landings.
- The final area will be just under the front office.
- The crew is fast and efficient.
- Dan Ardito (Engineer) says the work being completed looks great.

- The work is ahead of schedule at this time.

Elevator:

- Dan Ardito came out and did the specs for our current elevator housing and the proposed modifications that would be needed to install the new Lu/La lift.
- I have sent these over to the elevator company to have their engineering team review the specs to make sure there will not be any fitment issues before we proceed to the next step and get the housing modified.

Scientific Opportunity for students:

- I sent out a flyer to all current AES students containing information about a bull shark research project they can take part in
- Ted Davis can elaborate about this project.

Student performance:

- Reading-72% level 3 and above (69% 2022) 9th and 10th Grade. State average 48.5% District average 45% (approximates)
- Mathematic-78% level 3 and above (70% 2022) Algebra and Geometry State average 49% District Average 37% (approximates)
- Biology-Unknown-waiting on results (89% 2022) Biology State Average-Unknown District Average-Unknown

Insurance:

- Insurance costs did increase this year.
- \$30,274.05 this year v. last year \$22,042.80
- 37% increase

Vacation:

- I will be away on vacation from 6/24-7/1.
- I will not have access to phone or email.
- I will be out of the country.
- Jimmy will be on campus Monday through Thursday to work on classrooms and monitor the construction.
- Feel free to stop by to see the progress if you would like.

11. New Business-None

12. Old Business

- a. Facility maintenance/capital improvements
 1. Coastal Resiliency -No update
 2. Status of Repairs- See principal's report
 3. Septic to sewer- In progress
 4. Plan for phase 3 repairs- No update
- b. Boat Auction- No update
- c. Public Outreach Campaign-Michelle Leeper, Keith Pullias, Tom Gotterup, and Earnie Hopper spoke with Steve Howard about AES.
- d. Discussion of 501c3 proposal to include Mike Hrabrina and Shaunda Burdette
Shaunda Burdette will be speaking with Mike Hrabrina about working with CCEF to possibly get an endowment started.
- e. Fall Gala-Tentative date October 7, 2023, at Crump's Landing.

13. Committee Reports

a. Ray's tickets- No update

14. Board of Directors' Reports/Comments

AES has signed the lease with the city of Crystal River, it is expected to be signed by the city at the meeting on June 19th.

15. Staff Reports/Comments- None

16. Calendar/Upcoming AES Events

AES Freshman Beach Day July 29th.

17. Items for Next Meeting Agenda

18. Time and Date of Next Meeting

July 12, 2023 at 2:30pm at 504 NE US HWY 19, Crystal River, Florida.

19. Adjournment

Motion by Angelique Hickman to adjourn. Seconded by Keith Pullias. Motion carried at 4:06 pm.