



JOINT MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATION,
SCOTTSDALE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT JOINT
ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, AND
SCOTTSDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE JOINT
ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Minutes

Wednesday, April 3, 2024
5:00 p.m.
Community Design Studio
7506 E. Indian School Rd.
Scottsdale, Arizona 85251

How the Agenda Works: The Subcommittee and Advisory Committees consider each item on the Agenda separately. If you wish to address the Subcommittee and Advisory Committees regarding any of the items on the Agenda, please complete a Comment Card for each topic you wish to address and submit it to city staff. Comment cards for each Agenda item must be submitted before public testimony has begun on that item.

Members of the Subcommittee and Advisory Committees may attend the meeting by telephone or internet conferencing as allowed by A.R.S. §38-431(4).

Call to Order

Mayor David D. Ortega called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call

City Council Subcommittee on Education:

Mayor David D. Ortega
Councilmember Tom Durham
Councilwoman Betty Janik

Scottsdale Unified School District Joint Advisory Committee on Education:

Dr. Scott Menzel, SUSD Superintendent
Dr. Libby Hart-Wells, SUSD Board Member
Zach Lindsay, SUSD Board Member

Scottsdale Community College Joint Advisory Committee on Education:

Dr. Eric Leshinskie, SCC President
Dr. Stephanie Polliard, SCC Vice President of Academic Affairs
Melanie Burm, SCC Director of External Affairs

Public Comment

Citizens may address the members of the Subcommittee and Advisory Committees on Education during Public Comment. This 'Public Comment' time is reserved for citizen comments regarding non-agendized items. State law prohibits the Subcommittee and Advisory Committees on Education from discussing or taking action on an item that is not on the prepared agenda.

1. Approval of January 31, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Councilwoman Janik; 2nd Councilmember Durham; Council Subcommittee on Education members Mayor David Ortega, Councilwoman Betty Janik and Councilmember Tom Durham voted in the affirmative. Scottsdale Unified School District Joint Advisory Committee on Education members Dr. Scott Menzel, Dr. Libby Hart-Wells, and Zach Lindsay voted in the affirmative. Scottsdale Community College Joint Advisory Committee on Education members Dr. Eric Leshinskie, Dr. Stephanie Polliard and Melanie Brum voted in the affirmative. There were no dissenting votes.

2. Accomplishments and Updates

- Dr. Menzel mentioned the testing season as well as performance opportunities for students
- Dr. Leshinskie mentioned a Crime Scene event with Scottsdale Police, Salt River Police and Maricopa County Sheriff's Departments
- Mayor Ortega mentioned a robotics competition and athletics signing days
- Dr. Hart-Wells mentioned the blue zones school section
- Mayor Ortega mentioned the recognition of Teen Volunteers at Scottsdale Public Libraries

3. Scottsdale College Promise Program Update

- Stephanie Zamora and Melanie Brum Presented
- Mayor Ortega mentioned funding and counseling for students involved
- Dr. Menzel, funding how much is dedicated for scholarships vs internships
 - \$50,000 for scholarships and \$60,000 for internships- Stephanie Zamora
 - Brent Stockwell, Assistant City Manager clarified first year all money will likely be allocated to internships
- Brent Stockwell mentioned IT intern as model to move forward
- Councilwoman Janik do we have a particular time of year in mind to start
- Dr. Hart-Wells clarifying qualifications for SUSD students

4. FIRST Robotics and Workforce Development

- Melody Simoncic from Simoncic's Opportunities In Arts and Robotics presented
- Mayor Ortega mentioned students he met at competition
- Dr Hart-Wells thanked Melody for the presentation, mentioned starting robotics programs at all 5 SUSD high schools

5. Subcommittee and Advisory Committees Accomplishments and Goals

- Mayor Ortega started the conversation regarding accomplishments and deliverables

6. Future Agenda Items and Meeting Dates

• Future Agenda Items Mentioned

- Dr. Hart-Wells requested a presentation on the Blue Zones Project – School Sector Committee

- Councilwoman Janik and Dr. Menzel requested a presentation related to nursing programs and how the East Valley Institute of Technology is working with SUSD to train more nurses
 - Dr. Leshinskie requested a presentation on early college/dual enrollment cooperation/programs between SCC and SUSD
 - Email any additional items to Rebecca Kurth
- **Next Meeting April 3rd**

7. Adjournment

There being no further business before the committee, Mayor Ortega declared the meeting adjourned at 5:48 p.m.



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