

**Palm Beach County League of Cities, Inc.**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**Wednesday, August 24, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.**  
**Nova Southeastern University Student Educational Center – Palm Beach Gardens**

**MINUTES**

**1. Call To Order, Roll Call, Welcomes, Introductions**

President Lisa Tropepe called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. Secretary Mo Thornton called the roll and a quorum was attained. Palm Beach Gardens Mayor David Levy welcomed everyone to Palm Beach Gardens.

**Board members present were:** Lisa Tropepe, Todd Wodraska, Martha Webster, Mo Thornton, Bill Manuel (*arrived 10:08*), Jerry Beavers, Scott Maxwell, Bill Thrasher, Steve Wilson, David Harden (*arrived 10:10*), David Levy, Woodrow Hay, Calvin Turnquest, and Robert Shalhoub (*arrived 10:20*). **Absent were:** Dawn Pardo, Mike Mullaugh and Matt Willhite.

Past presidents in attendance were Isaac Robinson, Jr., David Stewart, Susan Haynie, Bev Smith, Dr. Carmine Priore, and Dr. Ken Schultz.

Also in attendance were Executive Director Richard Radcliffe; Town Manager Michael Bornstein, Lantana; Dr. Richard Galeta; Geoffrey Sluggett; Murray Kalish, Rosemary Rayman, Joe Walsh, Harry Raucher, Lake Worth Drainage District; Chuck Stoddard; League Counsel Trela White and Brad Biggs, Esq., Corbett and White; and League staff Kristen Puhalainen and Je' Riise Hansen.

**2. Additions, Deletions, and/or Modifications to the Agenda - None**

**Motion and second to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

**3. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes**

**a. Minutes of the Board Meeting, July 27, 2011**

**Motion by Calvin Turnquest, second by Woodrow Hay to approve the minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting on July 27, 2011. Motion carried unanimously.**

**4. Financial Reports**

Finance Committee Chair Mo Thornton presented the financial report. There was discussion.

**Motion by Mo Thornton, second by Woodrow Hay to accept the monthly financial report. Motion carried unanimously.**

**5. Scheduled Presentations - None**

**6. Miscellaneous Business**

**a. ULDC Amendment Round 2011-01 and Health Regulations**

Mr. Radcliffe explained the proposed changes to the county's Unified Land Development Code and said he and Ms. White have reviewed the document and have no objections. He proposed approval by the Board.

**Motion by David Levy, second by Martha Webster to accept the proposed changes to the Unified Land Development Code Round 2011-01. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Radcliffe reported that he is trying to work with the county to amend their policy & procedures to require sufficient notice to the League of proposed countywide ordinances.

**b. Ratification of Amended League Committee Memberships**

President Tropepe commended Mr. Radcliffe on his efforts to encourage participation on the League committees. Because of additional interest in the League's committees, ratification of the amended rosters is required by the Board.

**Motion and second to ratify the members of the League's Committees.**

There was discussion.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**c. Appointment to Citizens Advisory Committee on Health & Human Services**

Mr. Radcliffe introduced Dr. Richard Galeta, who has applied for reappointment to the committee. There are no other applicants. Dr. Galeta gave a report on the committee.

**Motion and second to reappoint Dr. Richard Galeta to the Citizens Advisory Committee on Health and Human Services. Motion carried unanimously.**

**d. Associate Membership Application**

President Tropepe announced that the League has received an application from Sachs Sax Caplan, P.L. They are sponsored by Susan Haynie.

**Motion and second to approve the associate membership application of Sachs Sax Caplan, P.L. Motion carried unanimously.**

**e. Palm Beach County Solar Panel Initiative**

Mr. Radcliffe explained that the county is applying for a federal grant to make solar power accessible and affordable for residents and businesses. He is planning to provide a letter of support.

**7. Committee Reports**

**a. Education**

Committee Chair Martha Webster reported that the City of Delray Beach won the Florida League of Cities' Citizenship Award for engaging its residents in local government.

YODEL Chair Carl Amritt was a speaker the Florida League of Cities' Annual Conference Youth Program. He spoke in his capacity as a member of the National League of Cities' Committee on Youth, Education and Families.

The Education Committee met and discussed member education, mentoring, the creation of a speaker's bureau, and public outreach. City Government Week is in October, and the committee, in conjunction with the school district, would like to expand it locally to a month to allow flexibility for school schedules. YODEL is working on gaining sponsorships for travel. They are also considering a countywide youth project, a speaking competition. They also discussed forming an ad hoc intergovernmental education committee to work more closely with the school board.

Ms. Webster read an e-mail from Mangonia Park Vice Mayor Peggy Cook, who represents the League on the school district's Academic Advisory Council. Ms. Cook is seeking questions and input from the board regarding school programs.

**b. Elections**

Committee Chair Dr. Priore reported that the committee met with Elections Supervisor Susan Bucher. Regarding the choice of Presidential primary date and its affect on March municipal elections, the cities would have to move their election dates to the date of the primary.

Regarding the proposed changes to the elections agreements between the Supervisor and the cities, all parties came to agreement on everything except indemnity. Proposed alternate language crafted by Ms. White will go to the Supervisor.

**c. Environmental**

Committee Chair David Levy reported that the committee discussed getting involved with the environmental committees on the state and national levels, and the new numeric nutrient criteria.

**d. Lobbyist Registration**

Committee Chair Susan Haynie explained the purpose of the committee, as it's been on hiatus for some time. They are working on a countywide ordinance to be ratified by the cities that wish to participate.

**e. Policy & Procedures**

Committee Chair Martha Webster explained the proposed changes to the League's bylaws. Added changes not included in the meeting backup: the manner of dismissal of a board member due to attendance, and corresponding changes to the Articles of Incorporation. There was discussion.

**8. Legal Report**

Ms. White reminded the board that the firearms bill takes effect October 1.

Term limits for Broward's County Commissioners were upheld.

Municipal budgets must be posted online by October 1.

A link to the Inspector General's website is required on municipal websites, but it doesn't have to be on the front page and specific wording requested by the IG's office is not required.

There was discussion on IG funding.

## **9. Executive Director's Report**

Mr. Radcliffe reported that the Gold Coast breakfast at the Florida League of Cities' Annual Conference was well attended, and Rep. Mark Pafford was the keynote speaker.

The annual Legislative Roundtable will take place at the October General Membership meeting in Royal Palm Beach. The Legislative Committee will meet to discuss issues and talking points.

Lynn University in Boca Raton has been named a finalist to host one of the Presidential debates next year, the only location in Florida. He will write a letter in support of the school.

The Florida Chamber of Commerce, Florida League of Cities, and Florida Association of Counties held a webinar regarding U.S. HB 2599, the PACE Assessment Protection Program. It would allow for funding of energy efficient projects through assessments. He will write a letter in support of the bill.

## **10. District Reports – None**

## **11. Member Comments - None**

## **12. Meetings Announcements**

## **13. Adjournment - The Board adjourned at 11:27 a.m.**