

**CITY OF GREENBELT  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION**

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Approved: July 3, 2018

Tuesday, March 27, 2018. Meeting was held in Council Room and presided over by Chair, Melinda Brady. The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm.

**PRESENT:**

*ACE Members:* Melinda Brady, Don Rich, Jon Gardner, Janet Mirsky, Kate McElhenny  
*Others:* Liz Park, Ema Smith

**ABSENT:**

*ACE Members:* Elsie Waynes, Sudhanshu Sinha, Veronica Martin-Fredrick,  
*Others:* Leta Mach

**MINUTES OF JANUARY & FEBRUARY MEETINGS:**

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**REVIEW of EDUCATOR AWARDS:**

March Educator Awards was discussed. Overall, committee was pleased with outcome of the Awards Ceremony. Jon Gardner asked about the write ups for the Educators, Melinda Brady had reviewed and edited all of them rather than sending to liaisons. She will send out student write-ups to the liaisons. Jon also brought up that he thought there should be applause for family after each educator. Committee discussed this and pointed out reasons for waiting until all were given awards. Melinda suggested that a reminder could be sent next year on the day of the event to recipients and schools. Bringing snacks was also discussed.

**STUDENT AWARD NOMINATIONS**

Liz is to send out letters to school requesting nominations. The committee discussed when last day to accept nominations should be. Final deadline to be 4/23. Jon asked that Liz confirm that letter uses languages of "2 students" rather than a boy and girl.

**UPDATE**

Liz Park reported that she had met with GES psychologist about Active Parenting. Greenbelt CARES would be providing the curriculum for their use.

**AOB:**

Jon noted that in the FY19 proposed City Budget the ACE budget was increased from \$14,000 to \$18,000. The committee discussed some ideas for the additional funds: increased grants, grants for educator focused needs, art festival, and financial education group at ERHS. Liz noted that the final budget meeting is in May. Committee members should bring ideas to April meeting.

**NEXT MEETING** - The meeting ended at 8:05 pm. The next meeting will be a regular meeting on April 24, 2018.