



MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENT & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 2014
CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 1ST FLOOR
3:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Simon called the meeting to order at 3:07 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Ms. Simon asked Assistant Deputy Clerk Carter to call the roll. Committee members Simon, Hairston, Germana, Schron and Connally were in attendance and a quorum was determined.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO THE AGENDA

No public comments were given.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 19, 2014 MEETING

A motion was made by Ms. Connally, seconded by Ms. Simon and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes of the February 19, 2014 meeting.

5. PRESENTATION

a) College Now Greater Cleveland

Ms. Lee Friedman, Chief Executive Officer of College Now Greater Cleveland, and Mr. Robert Durham, Director of Scholarship Services and Financial Aid of College Now Greater Cleveland, presented the Committee with information relating to the number of scholarships granted, grade point averages, graduation rates and retention rates of scholarship recipients. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Ms. Friedman and Mr. Durham pertaining to the items, which they answered accordingly.

Ms. Winifred Wilson, first year college student at Baldwin Wallace College, and Mr. Ed Korse, first year college student at Baldwin Wallace College, addressed the Committee regarding the benefits of receiving a scholarship and their experiences during their first year of college. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Ms. Wilson and Mr. Korse pertaining to the items, which they answered accordingly.

6. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) O2014-0007: An Ordinance amending Cuyahoga County Code Section 804.01(C): Component Two – Post-Secondary College or University Scholarship Program to approve revised geographical limitations on eligible institutions, to increase maximum yearly scholarships to \$1,500.00, and to enable the Program Administrator to repurpose unexpended funds allocated for scholarships; and declaring the necessity that this Ordinance become immediately effective.

Ms. Friedman addressed the Committee regarding Ordinance No. O2014-0007. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Ms. Friedman pertaining to the item, which she answered accordingly.

No further legislative action was taken on Ordinance No. O2014-0007.

- b) R2014-0059: A Resolution making an award to College Now Greater Cleveland in the amount of \$500,000.00 from the Cuyahoga County Educational Assistance Fund for Component Two of the Cuyahoga County Educational Assistance Program for the period ending 6/30/2015; authorizing the County Executive to execute the contract and all other documents consistent with said award and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

No legislative action was taken on Resolution No. R2014-0059.

7. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

8. OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were given.

9. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairwoman Simon adjourned the meeting at 4:25 p.m., without objection.