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

MINUTES

Wednesday, April 12, 2023

Community Design Studio
7506 E. Indian School Rd.
Scottsdale, Arizona 85251

PRESENT:

City Council Subcommittee on Education:

Mayor David D. Ortega
Councilwoman Solange Whitehead
Councilwoman Tammy Caputi

Scottsdale Unified School District Joint Advisory Committee on Education

Dr. Scott Menzel, SUSD Superintendent
Amy Carney, SUSD Board Member
Dr. Libby Hart-Wells, SUSD Board Member

Scottsdale Community College Joint Advisory Committee on Education

Dr. Eric Leshinskie, SCC President
Melanie Burm, Director of External Affairs

ABSENT:

Dr. Stephanie Polliard, SCC Vice President of Academic Affairs

STAFF:

Rebecca Kurth

Call to Order

Mayor Ortega called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

Roll Call

Members present as noted above.

Public Comment

None

1. **Approval of January 11, 2023 Meeting Minutes**

Councilwoman Solange Whitehead made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of January 11, 2023. Councilwoman Tammy Caputi seconded the motion. Mayor David D. Ortega, Councilwoman Tammy Caputi and Councilwoman Solange Whitehead voted in the affirmative. Scottsdale Unified School District Joint Advisory Committee on Education members Dr. Scott Menzel, Dr. Libby Hart-Wells and Amy Carney voted in the affirmative. Scottsdale Community College Joint Advisory Committee on Education members Dr. Eric Leshinskie and Melanie Burm voted in the affirmative; there were no dissenting votes

2. **Accomplishments and Updates**

Dr. Menzel reported that there would be 41 Coronado Promise Scholarship awardees instead of the typical 25. Dr. Leshinskie reported that meetings had been taking place between Scottsdale Unified School District and Scottsdale Community College to expand the dual enrollment program which was discussed in the January 11th Meeting.

3. **Scottsdale Internship Program Update**

Stephanie Zamora, Management Associate in the City Manager's office provided the update on to the development of additional service-learning employment opportunities for high school and community college students with an overview of recommendations to establish a centralized internship program including methods to formalize the program. The following feedback was provided:

- Mayor Ortega mentioned ensuring that interns are set up for success from the beginning with proper onboarding
- Councilwoman Caputi mentioned structuring the program so that we stay in touch with interns once their program is complete.
- Dr. Libby Hart-Wells mentioned the importance of a cohort model to the success of interns and also singular application for interns who are then assigned a location.
- Dr. Leshinskie noted that internships for all levels is important, community college interns maybe more likely to stay than a High School intern who then goes out of state for college.

4. **SCC Work to Learn Program**

Melanie Burm, Director of External Affairs presented information on the Scottsdale Community College Work to Learn Program.

The following feedback was provided:

- Councilwoman Caputi asked how businesses are being recruited for this program, is the City a good fit for this program.

5. **Future Agenda items and Meeting Dates**

- Affordable Housing

The next meeting will occur on August 9, 2023.

6. **Adjournment: 6:09 p.m.**

There being no further business before the committee, Mayor Ortega declared the meeting adjourned.