

**Education Advisory Committee Minutes  
Monthly Meeting  
September 7, 2016**

Attendees: Bob Riggs, Hill Robinson, Kerry Flowers, Diana Brewer, Cindy Wilson, Hank Burch, Julia Summerlin, Jim Kellen  
Guest Attendees: Julie Pierce (FES) and Cori Yonge (FEEF)

SUBJECT	DISCUSSION	ACTIONS
Meeting called to order at 4:35 pm Public Library	NONE	NONE
Approval of previous meeting minutes	Since Cobby was not present at previous meeting, Kerry asked that members review meeting minutes and concur concerning their accuracy.	Motion entertained, seconded, discussion, and unanimously approved
Budget for upcoming FY 2016-17 and EAC funding	Diana updated the EAC on her ask and the Mayor's approval of \$680,000 to be put as line item in budget for EAC allocation for the upcoming fiscal year. Of course, budget ask and budget get may be two different amounts, which EAC is fully aware of at this point.	None taken at this time.
Support for future funding	Member Riggs brought up his desire to see the city leadership endorse the following: (1) Academic Audit (2) Permanent funding source (ie, special tax millage) (3) 5-10-20 Goal for education EAC concurred, and we discussed our desire to affirm this with all parties involved.	No vote taken; Diana to have conversation with Mayor.
EAC Role in securing this funding	After discussion above, Chairman Flowers asked Ms. Julie Pierce (FES principal) who was present to give her perception of how to seek support of funding to implement findings of academic audit. Ms. Pierce was frank in her assessment of the EAC that we should start by building the trust of the principals, then BCBE, before we sought support from city and/or community. She described the collaborative environment of Gulf Shores as an example.	Set up the following meetings: (1) EAC w/principals (2) EAC, principals, BCBE, Cecil Christenberry, and FEEF (3) Then to city leadership... ...all to show solidarity of new plan for EAC

Next Meeting, October 5<sup>th</sup>