Outreach Committee Meeting City of Bonita Springs Official Minutes Bonita Springs City Hall 9101 Bonita Beach Road Bonita Springs, FL 34135 June 19, 2018 6:00 pm

## I. Call to order - Chairman Jesse Purdon

#### Roll call

**Present:** 

Jesse Purdon - Chairman

Suzy Valentine

Lester James

Michael Robinson

Altony Lee

Melchor Briceño

Orlando (Maurice) Pallares

**Presenters** 

Cathleen Morgan – Lee County School District

Gail Williams -Hodges University

**Staff:** 

Lora Taylor, Communications Director

Peter Simmons, Mayor

Absent

Juan Romero

Andres Paz

Public

Rick Steinmeyer Baltazar Briceño

# II. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Steinmeyer led the Pledge of Allegiance

## III. Gail Williams, Hodges University

Gail Williams, Chief Diversity Officer at Hodges University, provided a presentation on diversity at Hodges University. She shared their committee was formed in 2005, and in 2011 an Office of Diversity and Inclusion was established at Hodges, and a Chief Diversity Officer was appointed.

Gail explained the role of a diversity officer. She discussed why it is important to have an active and effective diversity program that respects and values all individuals within your communities.

IV. Cathleen Morgan – Lee County School District
Cathleen Morgan, school board member Lee County School district, presented

to the committee. She addressed what we can do to help our local elementary, middle and the new high schools.

## V. Café of Life Backpack Event

Michael Robinson shared information about an upcoming backpack distribution event to be held at the Café of Life. Lora is going to send out a reminder with the date and time.

### Next Meeting Date – July 17, 2018 at 6 p.m.

Next meeting confirmed for Tuesday, July 17th at 6 p.m.

### VI. Adjourn

Mr. Purdon asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. James made a motion to adjourn; Altony Lee seconded; meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,	APPROVED OUTREACH COMMITTEE:
Mo Un Valla sa.  Debbie Vallante,  Senior Administrative Assistant	Date:
	Jesse Purdon, Chairman
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