

**MEETING MINUTES
RECYCLING AND SOLID WASTE REDUCTION BOARD
TUESDAY, June 11, 2019**

Community Building – John Neighbor’s Activity Room

1) Call to Order

Marlow called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

2) Attendance

Members Present: Barnwell, Brown, Castro, Jacobs, Marlow, Sickler

Also Present: Barrera

Members Absent: Ball, Becker, Incavo, Selna, Sheth

3) Agenda Order

There were no changes to Agenda order.

4) Approval of Minutes

Sickler motioned to approve minutes of the May meeting and the motion was seconded by Castro. The Board voted unanimously to approve the May minutes.

5) Board Member Reports

a) HGAC Grant – recycling and trash containers – Update – Gerardo/ Board

City (Barrera) reports that he has finished financial and progress reports for the Grant. As per the April meeting, he requested one more bin and ten concrete pads. The pads should make the bins easier to open as well as solving several environmental factors (bulging and fire ants). The Board suggested checking if there is a warranty in place to replace warped bin.

b) Tri-Sports – recycling and trash containers – Update – Board

Jacobs sending out soccer posters. She also has an updated pledge for their teams. For Piranhas (swimming) Jacobs will send out a revised pledge. Board noted that bins need to be emptied before swim meets.

Gift cards for last season have not been distributed to winning teams. Board will keep cards for next year and will begin implementing process earlier to ensure that winning teams receive their awards.

c) July 4 Event - Board

Marlow will be point person for this event and will check supplies. Sickler suggested having a healthy treat as prize for the games and will investigate.

d) New Neighbor Program – Jerome

Brown emailed out the “new neighbor” list and brought in supplies.

Barrera indicated that they have updated the “What To Do With It” document in response to changes in service from Westpark.

e) Master Recycler Program - Board

Jacobs and Castro outlined ideas for a “Master Recycler Program” for West University residents.

Jacobs has emailed Board with a list of ideas and has requested members to review the list. The next step is to establish educational objectives for the course. Marlow suggested a timeline (January, 2020 for solidifying individual courses; Fall, 2020 begin courses).

f) Currents Articles Discussion (K-pods, plastic film, paints and textiles, etc.)

Marlow will send out updated proofs for articles.

g) Miscellaneous

Barrera discussed Westpark policy with Sarah Mason. She indicated that Westpark will still accept regular curbside recyclables from West University residents. He is updating the website to indicate these changes.

Marlow indicated that he would be making a presentation to the new City Council on behalf of the Recycling Board. He will acquaint the Council with our work/ goals.

The Board was also reminded that our current term of service was about to expire. If interested, we need to fill out a new application and prepare for individual interviews.

6) West University Staff Report

The Board reviewed the May Report as prepared by Barrera. He indicated that we will shortly be collecting bids for service. The City might also consider a rate increase to deal with the continuing costs of recycling.

7) Chairman’s Report

Nothing additional to report.

8) Board Member Comments

Nothing additional to report.

9) Adjournment

At 7:00 Brown motioned to adjourn tonight’s meeting and the motion was seconded by Jacobs. The Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.