

Germantown Education Commission
Regular Meeting – January 23, 2012
Minutes

Attendees:

David Compton, Stacey Ewell, Bonnie Lee, Mindy Fischer, Laura Meanwell, Dino Palazzolo, Sue Sharp, Stephanie VanArsdale, Julia Ganey, Barbara Boyer, Michelle Johns

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 p.m. by David Compton. A quorum was established.

Consideration of Minutes:

The minutes from the November 2011 meeting were reviewed by the commission members. Laura Meanwell made the motion to approve the minutes and Dino Palazzolo seconded. The commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

Ethics, sunshine law, parliamentary procedure:

Members received and were asked to sign a copy of the City's ethics policy for elected and appointed officials. Any questions about the policy may be directed to City Administrator Patrick Lawton at plawton@germantown-tn.gov or 757-7201.

David Compton discussed the Tennessee Sunshine Law and the importance of posting meetings so that the public is aware and able to attend.

Members received a copy of a parliamentary procedure handbook created by Mayor Goldsworthy. There was some discussion about how using parliamentary procedure could benefit the commission.

Old Business:

Battle of the Brains

Evaluation results were distributed. Members were asked to look over the scores and recommendations and bring any questions or suggestions to the February meeting.

Holiday Parade

Commission members participated in the 2011 holiday parade. Thanks to Sue Sharp for coordinating. More candy is needed next year. It was also suggested that the names of the teachers be added to the signs on the vehicle.

Budget

The commission has sufficient funds to last through the end of the fiscal year.

New Business:

Education Celebration

The annual event is scheduled for Monday, May 7. There was much discussion about possible speakers for the event. It was determined that Laura Meanwell would make a list of suggested speakers and commission members would be asked to vote on their favorite via email.

Award voting

January Teacher of the Month – Rhiannon Harrision, fifth grade teacher at OLPH

Youth Excellence Award winner – Collin Hutsell, GHS

Awards will be presented at the February 27 Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting.

The next GEC meeting will be held on February 28, 2012 at 6 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.