

City of Jacksonville, Florida

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Lex Hester Memorial Scholarship Trust Fund Committee Meeting Meeting Minutes for February 25, 2025

Location: City Hall, Employee Services, 117 W. Duval Street, Suite 100

Attendees

Todd Norman City of Jacksonville, Committee Chair
Kara Tucker City of Jacksonville, Committee Vice Chair

Tracey Hester Flynn Lex Hester family

Georgette Durmont, Ph.D. University of North Florida, Representative

Frederick Sumter City of Jacksonville
Chuck Gibson City of Jacksonville
Erin Abney City of Jacksonville

Becky Javurek City of Jacksonville, Staff

The meeting started at 10:30 am

Todd Norman welcomed everyone, and introductions were completed. Chuck Gibson, Building Inspections Manager, replaced Josh Gideon, Chief of Building Inspections, who is retiring.

Ethics Training

Annual training completed by Kirby Oberdorfer, Executive Director

Election

Motion was made and passed to have Todd Norman as the Chair and Kara Tucker as the Vice Chair.

Review of Committee Charge (Code and Procedure)

Review of Executive Order 2024-01. A motion was made to allow Ms.Flynn to attend the meetings via Zoom rather than drive from Orlando to Jacksonville. As Kirby Oberdorfer stated earlier in the training, if the committee votes to approve this then it is acceptable. All agreed and approved the motion.

Advertisement for Fall 2025 Scholarship

The City website will be updated. Dr. Durmont and Ms. Flynn requested to add previously discussed updates for the essay about Lex Hester. The recommendations were to have candidates expand on his values, why he was important, and why consolidation was/is important. General discussion regarding notifying eligible students of the scholarship. Dr. Dumont will send an e-mail to all qualified students. A suggestion was made to have the Mayor complete a short video for the website or in her weekly message which will be looked into.

Roundtable Discussion

A general discussion on past procedures.

Next meeting

Next meeting will be in the Fall to prepare for Spring scholarship.

Meeting ended at 11:45 am