



Citizen Corps Meeting Minutes February 20, 2019

Opening Ceremonies

Citizen Corps Mission Statement:

The Orange County Citizen Corps empowers every individual through education, training, and volunteer service to make Orange County, Florida a safer, stronger, and better prepared community that is resilient to all threats from terrorism, crime, and public health concerns.

2019 Goals

1. Invite more community Partners and Stakeholders to the Citizen Corps meeting.
2. Engage more with District Commissioners for community events.
3. (Reserved until March meeting)

Attendees:

Carmen Torres, Chair, District 5 Representative	Joe Lopez, District 4 Representative
Samantha Bellar, District 2 Representative	Carlos Durden, Emergency Management
Allen Hirschhorn, District 3 Representative	Judith Duclot-Fletcher, District 6 Representative
Kelley Renier, Mayor Representative	Tom Stroup, District 1 Representative
Menachem Green, OCSO	LaJuana Raines, OCSO

This meeting was called to order at 9:33 a.m. by Chair Carman Torres. The Mission statement was read by Chair Torres and all in attendance stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reading and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

All attendees read over the meeting minutes from January 16, 2019; quorum was met. Ms. Renier moved that January minutes be approved. This movement was seconded by Mr. Hirschhorn, and was accepted by the Council.

Current Business

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Guests

Mr. Hirschhorn invited the Orange County Sheriff Office Crime Prevention Officer Menachem Green and LaJuana Raines, Orange County Sheriff Office Community Engagement Liaison down to the meeting to get a better understanding of what the Citizen Corps Council does and how the program can benefit their program.

New Member Update

Mr. Durden provided an update to the council as far as vacant positions and positions that were recently filled. There were no new appointees at the time. Orange County Emergency Management is working to get the positions filled.

2019 Co-Chair

Elections were held for the 2019 Citizen Corps Co-Chair. Ms. Judith Fletcher nominated Ms. Samantha Bellar to co-chair the council 2019. Mr. Hirschhorn seconded the motion and the council agreed to have Ms. Bellar co-chair the program.

2019 Goals

The council selected two goals for 2019 and agreed to come up with the final goal during the March meeting. The goals selected were:

1. Invite more community Partners and Stakeholders to the Citizen Corps meeting.
2. Engage more with District Commissioners for community events.

Attendance

Ms. Bellar discussed attendance during the meeting. She mention to the council that if they couldn't make a meeting, email Mr. Durden ahead of time to validate if there's enough members available to meet quorum.

Faith Based Breakfast

The annual Faith Based Breakfast will be held sometime during the month of August. The Council agreed to have it again this year at Second Harvest Food Bank. Mr. Durden will meet

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with Second Harvest to select a date that's open. During the March meeting, the council will start thinking of a theme and who will be guest speakers for the event.

Governor's Hurricane Conference

Ms. Fletcher and Ms. Renier will attend the conference this year.

Announcements

District Comments:

District 3, Mr. Hirschhorn is hosting a Safety Awareness event in Gulfstream Harbor February 28th at 7pm.

District 1, Mr. Stroup discussed an organization that builds bunkbeds for citizens in Orange County. He mentioned they will be building bunkbeds this Saturday, February 23 in Windermere. Mr. Stroup will bring a flyer to the next meeting.

OC OEM, Mr. Durden talked briefly about the hurricane expo that will be held on June 1st, at Cypress Creek High School.

No Public Comments:

Meeting Adjourned: 10:38am.

Next Meeting: March 20, 2019

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