

SECTION 4. BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES

4.18 LEISURE SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

A. PURPOSE. The Seminole County Leisure Services Advisory Committee is established to serve the Board of County Commissioners by providing input and recommendations to determine and advise in the creation of and identification of policies, direction, recommendation of important natural/environmental land acquisitions, development of quality countywide trails and greenways, parks, and recreational facilities and opportunities.

B. DUTIES/RESPONSIBILITIES. The Leisure Services Advisory Committee shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

(1) The Committee shall elect a Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson annually.

(2) The Committee shall work with County staff to review important natural lands and environmental lands and make recommendations relating to lands which should be purchased.

(3) The Committee shall work with County staff to review important trails and greenways land and make recommendations relating to lands which should be purchased and developed for the creation of a County-wide trails and greenways system.

(4) The Committee shall work with County staff to recommend and review plans for future growth, development use and beautification of all County parks, as well as make recommendations for appropriate budgeting of special parks, trails, natural lands, and recreation needs.

(5) The Leisure Services Director shall be designated as the staff liaison for the Leisure Services Advisory Committee with assistance from other County staff as necessary.

C. MEMBERSHIP STRUCTURE.

(1) The Leisure Services Advisory Committee shall consist of fifteen (15) members, appointed by the Board of County Commissioners for terms of three (3) years. No appointee shall serve more than three consecutive terms. An appointment to complete an unexpired term due to a vacancy shall not count towards the term limit provided herein.

(2) The Board shall appoint a mix of members such that the membership shall be made up of appointees 1) having academic or professional training in the biological or environmental sciences, by being an active member of a conservation group or

agency, or by having experience in the passive recreational use of environmentally sensitive lands for public purposes, 2) a cross section of trail user/interest groups and 3) representing parks and recreation participants and residents interested in stewardship of the County's parks and recreation facilities and services.

(3) The initial appointments shall be staggered. Each Commissioner shall nominate three (3) members for appointment and shall designate which of their nominees shall serve initial terms of one, two or three years such that (5) of the initial appointments shall serve an initial term of one year, five (5) shall serve an initial term of two (2) years and five (5) shall serve an initial term of three (3) years. All initial appointments shall be effective on the first day of January notwithstanding the actual date of appointment with all terms measured on a calendar year basis.

(4) Members are expected to attend all meetings. Absence without notice to the Leisure Services Administrative Office prior to the scheduled Leisure Services Advisory Committee meeting is considered unexcused no matter what the reason for the absence. Timely noticed absences due to illness or business related matters are considered excused. Three unexcused absences annually will result in termination of member's appointment.

D. LEGAL ISSUES

(1) Financial Disclosure is not required.

(2) Loyalty Oath is not required.

(3) Sunshine and Public Records laws apply to the meetings and records of the Committee.

(4) Membership on the Committee does not constitute an office for purposes of the constitutional prohibition on dual office holding.

F. AUTHORITY. Resolution 2008-R-4 adopted January 8, 2008
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