Title: Community/Business Leaders Breakfast on Education Item No
Meeting date: February 25, 2015
Agendized by: Education Committee
Contact person: Michele Cooley-Strickland Phone number:
Committee Vote (if appropriate): Unanimous
Does this item have a fiscal impact on the Neighborhood Council? Yes _X_ No
Additional documents attached? Yes _X_ No

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation that the Neighborhood Council of Westchester/Playa **co-host a breakfast event with LMU** to inform local community/business leaders about: 1) our local schools; 2) opportunities to support local education; and 3) why their involvement would enhance local education. Keynote presentation to be given by Darin Earley, Director, LMU's Family of Schools. This event is expected to occur in March or April, 2015.

<u>Summary</u>: Special event for select community and business leaders (by invitation only) to initiate a dialogue with local stakeholders who are not typically directly involved in local schools to motivate and inform them of the supportive role they may play to enhance local education.

BACKGROUND:

Frequently discussions about improving schools and education are focused on increasing parental involvement, a necessary pillar in school success. However, an overlooked resource is our influential stakeholders – the business community and/or those who do not have children in local schools. This event is not necessarily intended to solve problems, but will begin a dialogue in our community about how all stakeholders may collectively work to support our community's youth and enhance their education.

DISCUSSION:

Committee in unanimous agreement that this is a valid cause to support and timely event to co-host.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

N/A

MOTION:

That the Neighborhood Council of Westchester/Playa support the proposal to co-host the proposed Westchester/Playa Community/Business Leaders' Breakfast on Education.