

## Approved at June 9, 2017 Board meeting

## Early Learning Coalition of Broward County Board Committee Meeting Minutes May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017 6301 NW 5<sup>th</sup> Way, Suite 3400, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309

Members in Attendance: Laurie Sallarulo, Chair; Ashley Davis; Cindy Arenberg Seltzer; Deborah Meidinger Hosey; Dolly

Trevino Rump; Dr. Avis Proctor (via phone); Ellen Schrot; Howard Bakalar; Jeffrey Dwyer; Jodi Miller; Khalil Zeinieh; Mason Jackson; Monica King; Nicholas Kaniaris; Renee Podolsky; Richard Campillo

via phone; Schemeka Lyons; Silvia Beebe; Twan Russell via phone

Members Absent: Barrington Russell; Kenickay Prendergast; Laurie Rich Levinson; Michael Asseff.

Staff in Attendance: Renee Jaffe, CEO; Christine Klima, CAO; Doreen Moskowitz; Gordia Ross; Hubert Cesar; Irene

Ramos; Janice Carter; Lucia Rodriguez; Maria Mendoza; Reinier Potts; Sandra Paul; Suwenda Louis

Others in Attendance: Jacob Jackson, General Counsel; Aldington Murray. 211 of Broward; Layne F. Polakoff, School

District; Michele Rosiere and Natasha Markman, BRHPC; Nurit Sheinberg, NSU; Stacy Angier,

Abundant Life School

Item	Item/Discussion	Follow-up
Welcome & Call to Order	Laurie Sallarulo, Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:40 am. The Roll was called and a quorum was established.	
Chair	Laurie welcomed two new Board Members: Monica King, Healthy Start Coalition, and Khalil Zeinieh, the Jim Moran Foundation.	
CEO's Report	A final vote on the legislative budget for Early Learning is scheduled for May 8 <sup>th</sup> with no increase for the Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten (VPK) Base Student Allocation. However, School Readiness funding would see a \$25 million increase, statewide, with \$44,307,584 earmarked for Broward County. See the CEO's report in the Board Packet for additional details.	
	To date, 506 children have been enrolled from the School Readiness waitlist.  The VPK contract renewal process has been completed and School Readiness contract	

	renewals are on track for completion within OEL's deadlines and over 99% of the ELC provider information has been updated. Renee also discussed the IT program, Tableau, which will allow access and queries to live data in the new EFS system.	
	The ELC and the Children's Services Council have discussed mechanisms for data sharing, beginning with an analysis of children participating in the Road to Child Outcomes (RTCO) initiative which will provide a foundation for ELC to develop expanded data analysis beyond RTCO. A similar collaboration with the School District is also in process.	
Consent Agenda		
*Meeting minutes *BRHPC Contract	A <b>Motion to Approve</b> the Consent Agenda was made by Jeffrey Dwyer, excluding the Board Minutes. The Motion was <b>seconded</b> by Cindy Arenberg Seltzer and <b>unanimously approved</b> .	
Amendment *Legal Services Contract	Discussion of minor revisions to the Minutes followed regard Deborah Meidinger Hosey's title, with a friendly amendment to correct the title made by Deborah Meidinger Hosey, A <b>Motion to Approve</b> the April 14, 2017 minutes, as amended, was made by Jeffrey Dwyer; <b>seconded</b> by Cindy Arenberg Seltzer and <b>unanimously approved.</b>	
Regular Business		
Co-location Agreement at Gulfstream Early Childhood Center, recommended by the Executive Committee.	A <b>Motion to Approve</b> the Co-Location Agreement at Gulfstream Early Childhood Center for Excellence was made by Executive Committee Chair, Laurie Sallarulo and <b>unanimously approved.</b>	
Literacy Bus & Book Purchases, recommended by the Executive Committee	A <b>Motion to Approve</b> the Literacy Bus and Book Purchases and authorize the CEO to execute the Agreement was made by Executive Committee Chair, Laurie Sallarulo and <b>unanimously approved</b> , with Dr. Avis Proctor abstaining.	
Finance Committee March Interim Financial Statements & Utilization Report, recommended by Finance Committee Pay Adjustment	A Motion to Approve the March 2017 Interim Financial Statements & Utilization Report, as recommended by Finance Committee, was made by Cindy Arenberg Seltzer and unanimously approved.	
Policy, recommended	A Motion to Approve the Pay Adjustment Policy, as recommended by the Finance	

by Finance Committee	Committee, was made by Cindy Arenberg Seltzer and unanimously approved.	
	A Motion To Update and Approve the Purchasing and Cash Disbursement Signature Policy	
Unfinished Business	approved at the April Board meeting to clarify that ELC may issue cash disbursements in amounts up to \$25,000 with one authorized signatory's signature was made by Cindy Arenberg Seltzer. The motion was <b>seconded</b> by Mason Jackson and <b>unanimously approved</b> .	
Partner Comment	Al Murray, CCRR Manager of 2-1-1 of Broward, provided a quarterly services update	
	Natasha Markman, BRHPC, provided an update on the 9,285 reviewed and submitted applications which have been approved for enrollment and certification. Waitlist numbers have increased with 32 children pending for regular School Readiness. The Children's Services Council enrollment has increased to 220 children; 38 of those are School Readiness children pending provision of documentation.	
Public Comment	Stacy Angier expressed appreciation for ELC's efforts to expedite the approval process and commended Dr. Avis Proctor for creating the Early Learning Advisory Board. The ELC held an open forum for providers to give input on Professional Development and Ms. Angier suggested a partnership with Universities to encourage professional degrees for providers.	
	Julia Musella requested that providers have access to ELC services, such as the Literacy Bus. She also commended Dr. Avis Proctor for encouraging college initiatives.	
	There was a brief discussion regarding the rate of turnover for child care providers with college degrees.	
	Legislation that can impact local governments with the increase of Homestead Exemption, will be on the 2018 ballot.	
	The Children's Services Council is pursuing a Florida Chamber Demonstration Project to develop stackable credentials and eliminate the cliff of Child Care for those families as they move up the ladder.	
	Although Broward County requested an allocation of \$104,000 to conduct expanded School Readiness inspections, at this time, the State Budget does not include that request as an appropriation. A non- recurring allocation is slated to be shared across counties. Updates on	

	the state budget will be provided as available.	
	Beginning in June, Food Hygiene inspections will be consolidated under, and conducted by, County Child Care Licensing.	
Announcements	Provider Appreciation Day is May 17 <sup>th</sup> at the City of Lauderdale Lakes Educational & Cultural Center and Providers and Board Members are encouraged to attend.	
	The Children's Services Council will hold their annual Budget Workshop on May 18 <sup>th</sup> from 8:30 am - 4:00 pm, including Subsidized Child Care and the Broward Reads Initiative.	
	Dr. Avis Proctor announced the launching of the Educational Center at Broward College to expedite the adult admissions process and address academic and financial barriers to attending college. The College is also developing a mobile Literacy unit bring services to the community.	
Matters from the Chair	Happy Mothers Day!	
Next Meeting:	June 9, 2017	
Adjourn	A <b>Motion</b> to Adjourn was made by Laurie Sallarulo, seconded by Cindy Arenberg Seltzer and the meeting adjourned at 9:53 AM.	

These minutes contain the action items of the oard meeting of the Early Learning Coalition. They do not include all the Committee's discussions or comments on each matter or issue raised during the meeting. A tape recording of the meeting is held in the Coalition office. Corrections from the Committee will be taken prior to approval at the next meeting. Submitted by Irene Ramos