



Board of Directors Meeting
April 1st, 2013; 8:00 a.m.
ELC Board Room

Board Attendees: Octavio A. Verdeja, Jr. (Chair); The Hon. Cindy S. Lederman (Vice Chair); Esther Jacobo (Treasurer); Lucy C. Pineiro, Esq. (Secretary); Modesto E. Abety-Gutierrez; Theresa Axford (attended via conference call); Roderick E. Beasley; Doug Blomberg (attended via conference call); Alan Eckstein, Esq.; Shaleen Fagundo; Helene J. Good; Yvonne T. Johnson, M.D.; David Lawrence, Jr. (attended via conference call); Harve Mogul; Dr. J. Abilio Rodriguez; Ann Karen Weller, R.N., MBA-HSM; David Williams, Jr.; (attended via conference call); Magaly Abrahante, Ed.D. (attended via conference call)

Board Absentees: Commissioner Heather Carruthers; Holly Estes; Lucia Davis-Raiford; Commissioner Barbara Jordan; Lisa Martinez

Staff Attendees: Evelio Torres (President/CEO); Angelo Parrino; Ana Rodriguez; Leeana Sanchez; Christina Vila; Jackye Russell; Pamela Hollingsworth; Fred Hicks; Bethany Sands; Mercy Castiglione; Fiorella Altare; Jose Hernandez; Aileen Martinez; Milton Silvera; Sandra Gonzalez; Kendra Link; Eduardo Copin; Christine Hughes; Ileana Vallejo

General Attendees: Santiago Echemendia, Tew Cardenas; Shan Goff, Office of Early Learning; Jackie Romillo, Citrus Health Network; Linda Carmona Sanchez, AECE; Brian Sheaffer, YMCA; Gail Gregg, FIU; Wendy Salomon, Family Central; Michele S. Kaplan, Devereux; Gladys R. Montes, United Way; Peter Gorski, The Children's Trust; Charles Auslander, The Children's Trust; Mario Jardon, Citrus Health Network; Elaine Deriso, Devereux; Adrian Alfonso, PAAST; Lisa Pittman, The Children's Trust; Ana Sejeck, WELS; Rachel Spector, The Children's Trust; Miriam Altman, United Way; Maria Alonso, Citrus Health Network; Norman Herdocia, AECE

I. Welcome and Introductions

Octavio A. Verdeja, Jr.

- O. Verdeja called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.
- L. Sanchez called roll and a quorum was established with twelve (12) voting members.
- O. Verdeja stated that if anyone has a conflict of interest on any item coming before the Board, to declare the conflict and see L. Sanchez for a conflict of interest form.
- O. Verdeja stated the following items were included in this month's Board packet:
 - ELC News Alert & ELC Parent Link
 - OPPAGA Gold Seal and QRIS Presentation to House
- O. Verdeja stated that Shan Goff of the Office of Early Learning was joining the Board of Directors today.
- O. Verdeja stated that M. Abety-Gutierrez was officially retired as the President & CEO of The Children's Trust.



- O. Verdeja stated the following members' terms were up at the end of April, and this would be their last Board meeting:
 - Ann Karen Weller
 - Alan Eckstein, Esq.
 - Yvonne T. Johnson, M.D.
- O. Verdeja stated that The Miami Chapter of the National Black Child Development Institute has invited the Coalition to become part of its Governing Board. The first meeting took place on Wednesday at the ELC.
- O. Verdeja stated that H. Mogul was selected as 2013 Father of the Year by the Father's Day Council of Miami. The Father's Day Council is a group of volunteers who annually select and honor individuals who are exemplary businessmen, community leaders and most importantly, dads. A dinner honoring Harve will be held at the InterContinental hotel in Downtown Miami on June 7th with more than 400 family members, friends and business colleagues expected to attend. Proceeds from this dinner will benefit the American Diabetes Association and its mission to prevent and cure diabetes.
- H. Good has volunteered to serve on the Program & Strategy Committee. O. Verdeja appointed her to the Committee.
- O. Verdeja stated that after the Finance Committee report, the Board will hear from three of our partners who submitted proposals to one of our RFPs.
- C. Auslander from The Children's Trust attended the Board of Directors Meeting.

II. Approval of Minutes

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- O. Verdeja called for the approval of the meeting minutes from March 4th, 2013.
 - C. Lederman moved to approve the minutes.
 - A. Eckstein seconded the motion.
 - Motion was passed unanimously.

III. Audit Committee Report

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- O. Verdeja stated that the Audit Committee had another year of clean audits. This means that the Board and the ELC staff are doing an outstanding job as stewards of taxpayer dollars. On February 1, 2013, the Financial Management Systems Assurance Section of Florida's Office of Early Learning reported that the 2012-13 Financial Monitoring Report for monitoring conducted in December 2012 was approved. Their review of the report determined no monitoring findings and that all financial monitoring requirements related to this report for program year 2012-13 had been met. This monitoring was conducted by Harvey, Covington & Thomas, LLC. This is a remarkable accomplishment considering the size of our budget and the number of monthly transactions. Similarly, an audit conducted by Morrison, Brown, Argiz & Farra, LLC, reported no findings or observations in the Financial Statements for 2012. As a result of this achievement, there was no management letter issued again this year.

IV. Finance Committee Report

Esther Jacobo, Esq.

- Motion to approve Resolution 04012013-001. This resolution presents RFP#ELCMDM2013-001 (Community Wide Training Services) Evaluation Committee's (the "Evaluation Committee") scoring results of the Request for Proposal to the Finance Committee for review and for a recommendation of vendor selection to the Board of Directors. This resolution also requests authorization and approval for the President and CEO to negotiate and execute a contract with the selected vendor.



- A. Eckstein moved to approve the motion.
 - Motion seconded by Y. Johnson.
 - Recusal from H. Mogul.
 - Motion was passed unanimously.
- Motion to approve Resolution 04012013-002. This resolution presents RFP#ELCMDM2013-002 (Assessment Services to Support Quality Counts) Evaluation Committee's (the "Evaluation Committee") scoring results of the Request for Proposal to the Finance Committee for review and for a recommendation of vendor selection to the Board of Directors. This resolution also requests authorization and approval for the President and CEO to negotiate and execute a contract with the selected vendor.
 - A. Eckstein moved to approve the motion.
 - Motion seconded by R. Beasley.
 - Motion was passed unanimously.
- Motion to approve Resolution 04012013-003. This resolution presents RFP#ELCMDM2013-003 (Data Management Services for Miami-Dade and Monroe) Evaluation Committee's (the "Evaluation Committee") scoring results of the Request for Proposal to the Finance Committee for review and for a recommendation of vendor selection to the Board of Directors. This resolution also requests authorization and approval for the President and CEO to negotiate and execute a contract with the selected vendor.
 - A. Eckstein moved to approve the motion.
 - Motion was seconded by A. Rodriguez.
 - Motion was passed unanimously.
- Motion to approve Resolution 04012013-004. This resolution presents RFP#ELCMDM2013-004 (Developmental Screening Follow-Up and Intervention Services) Evaluation Committee's (the "Evaluation Committee") scoring results of the Request for Proposal to the Finance Committee for review and for a recommendation of vendor selection to the Board of Directors. This resolution also requests authorization and approval for the President and CEO to negotiate and execute a contract with the selected vendor.
 - Staff has recommended for the Board of Directors to listen to a presentation from each vendor. Vendors are not required to, but are stepping out of the room as a courtesy to the other vendors.
 - Citrus Health Network, Inc. presented.
 - Family Central, Inc. presented.
 - Devereux Florida presented.
 - O. Verdeja recused himself.
 - E. Jacobo moved to award to Citrus Health, Network.
 - Y. Johnson added that Family Central is the secondary vendor, should one be necessary.
 - Motion and amendment was seconded by L. Piñeiro.
 - Motion was passed unanimously.
- Motion to approve Resolution 03272013-005 to authorize the President and CEO to negotiate and execute the renewal of the following contracts listed within the background section of this resolution.
 - A. Eckstein moved to approve the motion.
 - Motion was seconded by H. Mogul.
 - Motion was passed unanimously.
- Motion to approve Resolution 03272013-06 to authorize the President and CEO to negotiate and execute an amendment to Contract C12-115 with Bluejean Software, Inc.
 - A. Eckstein moved to approve the motion.
 - Motion was seconded by R. Beasley.
 - Motion was passed unanimously.



- Motion to approve Resolution 03272013-07 to authorize the President and CEO to negotiate and execute an amendment to Contract C12-116 with PC Depot, Inc.
 - A. Eckstein moved to approve the motion.
 - Motion was seconded by R. Beasley.
 - Motion was passed unanimously.

- Motion to approve Resolution 03272013-08 to authorize the President and CEO to receive and execute the grant agreement with Nemours Foundation.
 - A. Eckstein moved to approve the motion.
 - Motion was seconded by R. Beasley.
 - Motion was passed unanimously.

V. Program & Strategy Committee Report

**David Williams, Jr.
The Hon. Cindy S. Lederman**

VI. CEO Report

Evelio C. Torres, CEO

- The full presentation can be found at:
http://www.elcmdm.org/about_us/Board/minutes/Board/CEO%20report/CEOR040113.pdf.

VII. Public Comments

Octavio A. Verdeja, Jr.

VIII. Adjourn

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