



Nominating Committee Meeting
June 3, 2013; 7:30 a.m.
ELC Board Room

Committee Attendees: David Lawrence, Jr.; The Hon. Cindy S. Lederman

Committee Absentees: Commissioner Heather Carruthers

Staff Attendees: Leeana P. Sanchez; Evelio C. Torres

I. Welcome and Introductions

David Lawrence, Jr.

- Y. Johnson called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.
- A quorum was established with two (2) voting members.

II. Approval of April 17, 2013 Meeting Minutes

David Lawrence, Jr

- D. Lawrence moved to approve the minutes.
 - Motion seconded by C. Lederman.
 - Motion unanimously passed.

III. Dr. Mara Zapata Interview

David Lawrence, Jr

- D. Lawrence asked how Dr. Zapata was given this appointment.
- Dr. Zapata stated that she prides herself on the reputation she has built at the college and the level of professionalism she conducts business with. She is a follow through kind of person. She has worked with Dr. Padron, but not extensively. Dr. Padron is a visionary and she is proud to be a part of that institution.
- Dr. Zapata stated she has worked with the RISE program, the National Science Foundation, and other organizations that have opened many doors.
- D. Lawrence asked what she knows about the Early Learning Coalition.
- Dr. Zapata stated that she knows the Early Learning Coalition focuses on providing quality education to at risk children. The Coalition gives an opportunity to children and families that they otherwise would not have.
- D. Lawrence asked if she would be available to attend all Board meetings.
- Dr. Zapata stated meetings would not be a problem. She sits on several Boards and advisory committees and she makes the time.
- D. Lawrence asked what she does on her spare time.
- Dr. Zapata stated she has an artistic side. She studied fashion design and illustration and still uses that side to disconnect. The last movie she saw was The Great Gatsby.
- Dr. Zapata stated that she would be interested serving on the Program & Strategy Committee.



IV. **Public Comment**

David Lawrence, Jr

V. **Adjourn**

David Lawrence, Jr