



Provider Services Committee Meeting  
November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015; 2:30 PM  
ELC Board Room

**Committee Attendees:** Shaleen Fagundo; Abilio Rodriguez; Mara Zapata, Rick Beasley

**Staff Attendees:** Angelo Parrino; Lisa Sanabria; Lisney Badillo; Cindy Lozada; Natalie Cabrera; Vanessa Soto; Jennifer Hernandez

**General Attendees:** Santiago Echemendia (via conference call); Tanisha Stokes

**I. Welcome and Introductions** **Rick Beasley**

**II. Approval of Minutes** **Rick Beasley**

- Motion to approve by S. Fagundo.
- Motion seconded by A. Rodriguez.
- Motion was unanimously passed.

**III. Little Angels Christian Academy** **Rick Beasley**

- C. Lozada stated that the Children’s Academy #1 was issued an “Emergency Suspension Order” by the Department of Children and Families due to serious licensing violation that posed an immediate and serious danger to the health, safety or welfare of the children in their care. The licensing violation were discovered during a renewal inspection conducted on September 25, 2015 and a follow-up inspection conducted on October 1, 2015. During the follow-up inspection, DCF found that conditions previously noted had not been corrected, but had worsened.
- T. Stokes, counsel for the Children’s Academy #1, stated that they are appealing these violations and are requested that the Early Learning Coalition table decision until the DCF hearing. T. Stokes also stated that DCF arrived to complete the second inspection 9 days early hence not giving enough time to complete the repairs.
- A. Rodriguez stated it was not a surprise inspection and provider should have been prepared.
- S. Echemendia stated that the termination still stands and the provider will not be serving any School Readiness children until the DCF hearing.



- R. Beasley stated that a substantial sum of the violations must be dismissed by DCF for termination to be reversed. The DCF hearing will be on January 22<sup>nd</sup>, if the provider has 1 class 1 or 3 class 2, the Early Learning Coalition will move to terminate contract.
- The Hearing Committee's recommended to deferred till DCF hearing.
  - Motion to approve by S. Fagundo
  - Motion seconded by A. Rodriguez.
  - Motion was unanimously passed.

**IV. Public Comments**

**Rick Beasley**

**V. Meeting Adjourned**

**Rick Beasley**