



ELCHC Service Delivery & Efficiency Committee Meeting

Thursday, January 22, 2026 @ 3:00 pm

6302 E. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., Suite 100 Tampa, FL 33619

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Service Delivery & Efficiency Committee Meeting Agenda Packet

Thursday, January 22, 2026

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Jae

A. Roll Call/Quorum Verification

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Jae

Individuals wishing to address the Early Learning Coalition of Hillsborough County Board of Directors must complete a Public Comment Request Card and submit it to the official recorder prior to the noticed start time of the meeting. Said comments will be limited to three (3) minutes per individual on a first-come, first-serve basis, and only at such time as is identified on the official meeting agenda for public comment.

III. ACTION ITEM

A. Jae

A. Approval of May 15, 2025 Draft Meeting Minutes - 4

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Jae

A. Presentation of Awards: Recognition of VPK Performance Evaluations

F. Hicks

A. A CHILD'S WORLD LEARNING ACADEMY, INC.

B. BACKYARD BEARS DAY SCHOOLS

C. UNIVERSAL ACADEMY OF FLORIDA

D. CHILDREN OF THE WORLD ACADEMY I INC.

E. DREAM CHASERS ACADEMY PRESCHOOL AND CHILDCARE

F. HCPS BRYANT ELEM

G. HCPS HERITAGE ELEM

H. KEYSTONE CHILDREN'S ACADEMY

I. KEYSTONE CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL

J. LITTLE ANGELS ACADEMY OF TAMPA LLC

K. PINOCCHIO LEARNING CENTER INC

V. CEO REPORT

Dr. Frederick
Hicks

A. Legislative Priorities

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Jae

A. Next Committee Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 5, 2026 at 3:00 pm

B. Day of Play- Saturday, February 21, 2026 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm at Sadie Gibbs Martin Community Center

VII. ADJOURNMENT

A. Jae



SERVICE DELIVERY &
EFFICIENCY COMMITTEE
UNAPPROVED MINUTES

Thursday, May 15, 2025 at 3:00 pm
6302 E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Ste. 100,
Tampa, Florida 33619
Hybrid

MEETING ATTENDANCE

Facilitator: Amanda Jae, Chair

Committee Members Present:

Amanda Jae*, Dr. Larissa Baia*, Annette Eberhart, Dr. Lise Fox, and Commissioner Gwen Myers*

Committee Members Absent:

Amanda Jae

Board Members Present:

Tracye Brown*

ELCHC Staff:

Kiyana Scott*, Casie Haines*, Sabrina Ruiz*, Alison Fraga, Dr. Fred Hicks, and Nancy Will

Other Attendees:

Yander Tovar, Cayla Dougherty* and Paul Quin

*Indicates attendance via Zoom.

CALL TO ORDER

Quorum Verification

Noting a quorum was present, Committee Chair, Amanda Jae, called the meeting to order at 3:01 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no Public Comment

ACTION ITEM

Approval of the April 3, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Myers made a motion to approve the April 3, 2025, meeting minutes. Annette Eberhart made a second. The motion carried unanimously.

CEO Report Dr. Fred Hicks, CEO of the ELCHC highlighted the following:

Legislative Update

Dr. Hicks shared their was a narrowing of the two chambers of the Florida State Legislator for the state fiscal year budget for 2025-2026. Dr. Hicks stated he is hopeful that both chambers will come



to an agreement, soon. Dr. Hicks also shared the governor would like to cut property taxes and sales taxes which would be beneficial to all families in Florida. Dr. Hicks also stated that the long-term impact is unknown. Dr. Hicks stated that for the FY 26-27 providers may not be able to contract with the Early Learning Coalition of Hillsborough County (ELCHC) unless they receive a score of at least a 4.5 this potential change in contracts is built into House Bill 519.

Children's Summit

Dr. Hicks shared he had recently met with investment business leaders along with Board Member Eberhart. Dr. Hicks also stated they were looking to ask for a table sponsorship at \$2,500.00 and Ms. Eberhart would complete the ask. Dr. Hicks also shared that everything for the Summit is going smoothly and plans are up to par from previous years for this time in the year.

Day of Play

Dr. Hicks reminded committee members about the upcoming Day of Play.

Summer Boost

Dr. Hicks shared students that take part in Summer Boost will be test three times to gage gains. Dr. Hicks shared that the school district received funding to do a Summer Bridge program similar to Summer Boost that was started through the ELCHC summer of 2024. Dr. Hicks shared that the school district's program would focus on children that scored in the bottom 10 percentile on their PM3 scores. Dr. Hicks shared that Summer Boost is a full-day of learning compared to the Summer Bridge which focus is math, with proven results as the ELCHC worked with the University of South Florida last summer to test participants focusing on specific curriculum in math, language, vocabulary, and other subjects to ensure that students are better prepared for the first day of kindergarten. Dr. Hicks shared he hopes for an increase in gains from 2024 as the program would be extended from 4-weeks to 6-weeks this summer 2025. Dr. Hicks stated that summer slide is a real phenomenon and there should be an effort to support young learners.

There was committee discussion on English as a second language learners and the need for these students to have classroom instructional time over the summer.

Amanda Jae shared what her center does and spoke to the importance in making connections between early learning centers and the public schools students would be transitioning into.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Jae announced the following:

The next Day of Play is scheduled for Saturday, June 7 from 10:00 am-12:00 noon at Victor Crist Community Complex inside the University area CDC.

ADJOURNMENT

Amanda Jae called for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:33 pm.

Dr. Larissa Baia made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Anette Eberhart made a second. The motion carried unanimously.



Robert Hvide
ELCHC Board of Directors, Secretary
