



**ELC of SWFL Events Committee  
Minutes**

**January 5, 2023**

**Oasis Restaurant**

**2260 Dr Martin Luther King Blvd, Fort Myers, FL 33901**

**Purpose:** The purpose of the Events Committee is to create and implement events to build a stronger governance board and improve the ELC's presence in the community

**Goals:**

1. To create events that build relationship both internally and externally.
2. To lead planning and implementation of events

**Committee Members:** Tara Sherrod, Director, First Baptist Preschool, Representative of Faith-Based Childcare Providers (*chair*); Joe Paterno, Workforce Development Board; Laura Bright, Chief Advancement Officer, Golisano Children's Museum

**Committee Members, Absent:** Marshall Bower *President/CEO, The Foundation for Lee County Public Schools*; Michele King, *Golisano Children's Hospital of SWFL*

**Staff:** Susan Block, CEO

<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Discussion</u>	<u>Action</u>
Welcome and Introductions	Meeting opened at 8:18 am. Quorum established. Introductions were made to welcome Laura Bright to the committee.	
Approval of Meeting Minutes, September 22, 2022	Meeting minutes were unavailable for review.	9/22/22 minutes tabled for action at next scheduled committee meeting.
Re-envisioning the ELC Business Breakfast, 2023	Two options were considered regarding the breakfast. One, to reschedule prior to Susan Block's departure at a time when the incoming CEO is available to participate. Option two, to postpone the event further and provide the incoming CEO an opportunity to create and implement an event during 2023-24.	A motion to postpone the event indefinitely was made by Joe Paterno. Second, by Laura Bright. Motion approved.  Tara Sherrod will update the board on the breakfast and request input on a "hello/goodbye" event at the 2/1/23 board meeting.

	The group briefly discussed a simple “hello/goodbye” event, sponsored by the board, to say goodbye to Susan Block and introduce the new CEO to the community.	
Scheduling a Staff Appreciation Event	The background on this event was shared. Board members donate funds to sponsor a luncheon for ELC employees. Board members serve and mingle with staff during lunch. The last such event was held in May 2021.	Susan Block will send a Doodle Poll to request a preference from Board members for either February 10, 2023 or February 24, 2023.  Tara Sherrod will provide an update at the February 1, 2023 Board meeting.
Next Schedule meeting	A meeting schedule was created for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2023  Meeting ended at 8:40 am	Susan Block will create invitations for 2/23/23, 4/13/23 and 6/1/23 at the Oasis, 8 am.

Meeting location is noted with the meeting announcement and posted on the ELC’s Website: [www.elcofswfl.org](http://www.elcofswfl.org).