EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF SOUTHWEST FLORIDA
Board of Directors
Meeting Agenda
May 2, 2024
9:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
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Our mission is to enhance the quality of children's lives by providing families, early childhood educators, caregivers, and community partners in Collier, Glades, Hendry, and Lee Counties with opportunities to positively impact the future.

Board Members:

Laura R. Bright, Interim Board Chair, Chief Advancement Officer, Golisano Children's Museum

Sharon Love, **Esq.,** Vice Chair, Long, Murphy & Shemkus, P.A.

Dr. Beth McBride, Board Secretary, Director, Early Learning, Designee-Collier County Public Schools

Brooke Goldstein, Board Treasurer, Provider Liaison/Operations Manager, Early Steps, SWFL Health Planning Council

Michele King, Chair Program Committee, Director Child Advocacy Program, Golisano Children's Hospital of SWFL

Rebecca McKellar, Chair, Nominations & Bylaws Committee, Creative World Schools, Private For-Profit Childcare

Dr. Kelly Ross, Professor/Coordinator of Early Childhood Education, Florida Southwestern

Alex Breault, Partnership Manager, FutureMakers Coalition

Barbara Short, Quality Assurance Program Manager, CareerSource Southwest Florida

Chantal Porte, Regional Supervisor for Childcare Licensing, Department of Children and Families

Angela Nader, Director, Early Childhood Learning Services, Lee County Public Schools

Kimberly Ross, Owner, Ross Dynasty Cares

Tara Sherrod, Chair, Events Committee, Director, First Baptist Preschool, Representative of Faith-Based Childcare Providers

Shay Smith, Executive Community Health Nursing Director, Designee-Florida Department of Health Lee County

Aaron Stitt, Florida Department of Children and Families

Tanya Williams, Interim Public Services Director, Collier County, Designee-Collier Board of County Commissioners

Dr. Derek Burkholder, Property Manager, BD Property Management Group

Chelsey Gonzalez, Acklen Avenue, VP Human Resources

Rashondra Croskey, **Ex Officio**, Teacher, Glades County School Board

ELC Staff:

Dr. Melanie Stefanowicz, Chief Executive Officer

Richard Cocchieri, Chief Financial Officer

Leona Adkins, Chief Quality Officer

Gilda Duran, Chief Program Officer

Wynetta Upshaw, Chief Administrative Officer

Monica Gaddy, Administrative Coordinator

Agenda Items	Facilitator	Discussion and Actions
Welcome and Introductions **Interim Chair's Update** • Committee Composition • Board Retreat **Agenda Modifications**	**Laura Bright**	Introductions
Public Comment	**Laura Bright**	

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Executive Committee 1. **Approval** of Board Meeting Minutes from March 14, 2024 2. **Discussion and Approval** of Rebranding options Kelly Trace, Reach, Guest Presenter	**Laura Bright**	

Finance Committee
 	
1. **Informational**
  a. Sliding Fee Scale
  b. Lee BOCC ARPA Grant Update
  c. <u>DRAFT</u> FY 2025 DEL Grant Agreement
 	
2. **Discussion and Approval** of SR Utilization through March 25, 2024
 	
3. **Discussion and Approval** of
  a. Summary of Revenues and Expenditures and Financial Statements
  b. Cost Allocation Plan
  c. Surplus List (Naples Office)
 	
4. **Request Approval** of
  FY24 Contracts
  a. Element Technologies
  b. Crown Plaza Fort Myers Gulf Coast
  c. Blue Outdoor
 	
  FY 25 Contracts
  a. Teaching Strategies, LLC
  b. Helios Colliers, LLC
	Brooke Goldstein	

Human Resources Committee 1. **Discussion and Approval**: Human Resources Audit 2. **Informational**: Employee Engagement Survey	**Dr. Beth McBride**	
Nominations & Bylaws Committee	**Rebecca**	

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1. **Informational:** New Board Member Orientation Process	**McKellar**	
Events Committee **Informational** 　　a. Outreach events 　　b. BBQ Lunch – May 10 　　c. Teacher Appreciation – May 11	**Tara Sherrod**	
Programs Committee **Informational:** Quality and Program Services Updates	**Michelle King**	
CEO Report	**Melanie Stefanowicz**	
Next Board Meeting: 　　June 20, 2024 　　10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.	**Laura Bright**	
Adjournment	**Laura Bright**	

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