

Provider Services Committee Meeting May 2nd, 2017; 10:00 AM ELC Board Room

Committee Attendees: Abilio Rodriguez; Rick Beasley; Loreen Chant; Shaleen Fagundo

Committee Absentees: Mara Zapata; Lucy Pineiro; Yomankis Alvarez

Staff Attendees: Angelo Parrino; Lisa Sanabria; Lisney Badillo; Jenifer Hernandez; Jackye

Russell; Fiorella Altare; Cynthia Caceres; Evelio Torres; Angela Gil; Ana Rodriguez; Victor Caballero; Johana Miranda; Sandra Gonzalez; Ileana

Vallejo; Milton Silvera; Belkis Leon

General Attendees: Daniel Benavides

I. Welcome and Introductions Rick Beasley

II. Approval of Minutes Rick Beasley

Motion to approve by L. Chant.

- Motion seconded by A. Rodriguez.
- Motion was unanimously passed.

III. The Learning Nest Academy

Daniel Benavides

- D. Benavides stated that a monitoring was conducted by Loss Prevention. They found that during the time Ms. Yuliet Hernandez received School Readiness funding for her child, Sophia Alvarez, Ms. Yuliet Hernandez failed to report that she and the "absent parent", Y. Alvarez, were both owners of Happy Children Academy. Therefore, falsifying/omitting full household income to the School Readiness Program.
- D. Benavides stated that A. Rodriguez, Director of Loss Prevention \Compliance along with B. Leon, Loss Prevention/Compliance Specialist met with Y. Alvarez for some questions. Y. Alvarez denied living with Yuliet Hernandez in the same residential area (said that he lives at a different address) and/or previously traveling with Yuliet Hernandez (said that they do not go on vacations together).
- Y. Alvarez stated that his ex-wife had forged his signatures on letters submitted to the ELC but he has willing to assume responsibility and pay the restitution on behalf of Yuliet Hernandez. Y. Alvarez stated that the nature of his relationship with Yuliet Hernandez was unstable and they



did not live together continuously. Y. Alvarez stated that he had told A. Rodriguez that they did not travel together because he felt it was his private life and was irrelevant.

- When questioned about Yuliet Hernandez begin part owner of Happy Children Academy, Y. Alvarez stated that he had put his ex-wife's name on the business so if something were too happened to him she would inherit the business.
- Y. Alvarez stated that Yuliet Hernandez will no longer be in charge of the childcare center.
- After reviewing the case he Hearing Committee recommended to terminate the provider's contract for 5 years.
 - o Motion to approve by L. Chant.
 - o Motion seconded by A. Rodriguez.
 - o Motion was unanimously passed.
- IV. Public Comments Rick Beasley
- V. Adjourned Rick Beasley