



ELC Programs, Policy & Strategy Committee Meeting  
August 6, 2018 at 7:00 AM  
ELC Conference Room

**Committee Attendees:** Dr. Judy Schaechter; James Haj; Bob Eadie; Gladys Montes

**Absent Committee:**

**Staff Attendees:** Evelio Torres; Ana Sejeck; Fiorella Altare; Pam Hollingsworth; Angelo Parrino; Belkis Torres; Jackye Russell; Milton Silvera; Wil Ayala; Anabel Espinosa; Sandra Gonzalez; Lidia Clarke

**I. Welcome and Introductions** **Judy Schaechter**

- J. Schaechter called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Quorum was established.

**II. Approval of Minutes** **Judy Schaechter**

- Motion to approve minutes by G. Montes.
- Motion seconded by B. Eadie
- Motion was unanimously approved.

**II. Early Head Start** **Belkis Torres**

- B. Torres presented the Federal Food Program report to the committee. This report shows the daily counts of food served to the early head start children.
- P. Hollingsworth stated that the Early Head Start dba Neighborhood Place was approaching 5<sup>th</sup> year and is serving 750 children. The ELC is currently working with federal government to move the EHS operations under the Early Learning Children's Foundation and hence becoming its own entity. P. Hollingsworth stated that the challenges in EHS Phase 2, we will be to maintain an arm's length from the ELC, timing as it must be completed by the fall of next year and establishing the foundation board to oversee all of EHS operations. This transition will allow the foundation to apply for other grants with minimal to no impact on the children or the families currently being served.

**III. Evidence Based program Review Project** **Anabel Espinosa**

- The following items were discussed:
  - The ELCMDM is embarking on a 12-18 month journey to review and structure all programs through an Evidenced Based Practice lens
  - A definition of Evidence Based Practice will be crafted and vetted.
  - A set of policies and procedures will be developed to review all ELCMDM services and programs.



- All services and programs will receive a green/amber/red designation relating to its Evidence Based status.
- Once designation is achieved an action plan will be developed for all amber and red and programs.

**IV. Public Comments**

**Judy Schaechter**

**V. Adjourn**

**Judy Schaechter**