



**ELC Provider Services Committee Meeting**  
**November 17, 2022; 2 P.M.**  
**Meeting ID: 983 9999 2912**  
**Passcode: ELC111722**

**Committee Attendees:** Rick Beasley; Chereen Coile; Dr. Fluney; Dr. Daniel Armstrong

**Committee Absentees:** Loreen Chant; Jenni Roig

**Staff Attendees:** Evelio Torres, Fiorella A. Christie; Victor Caballero; Mercy Castiglione; Sheyla Perez; Vernise Casimir; Anabel Espinosa; Pamela Hollingsworth; Ana Sejeck; Lisney Badillo; Thalia Daumy; Natalia Gamundi; Alex Sanchez; Cindy Cabrera; Lissandra Lara; Vanessa Aguilera-Viera; Angelo Parrino; Sandra Gonzalez; Belkis Torres; Dolores Mendez; Iliana Vallejo; Michelle Meilan; Eilin Orozoco; Casie Haines; Vanessa Aguilera-Viera; Pam Malval; Ana Sejeck; Laurie Dunn; Ana Rodriguez

**I. Welcome & Introductions**

**Rick Beasley**

- A. R. Beasley welcomed everyone.
- B. K. Gregory called roll and quorum was established with Four (4) voting members present.

**II. Approval of Minutes**

**Rick Beasley**

- A. Motion to approve September 29, 2022 minutes.
  - Motion to approve by Dr. Armstrong
  - Motion seconded by C. Coile
  - Motion unanimously passed.

**III. Strategic Plan Updates 2022-2027**

**Aileen Suazo**

- A. A. Suazo reported updates of the Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade/Monroe's Strategic Plan, emphasizing on Family Engagement. She was able to demonstrated that the Coalition is conducting collaborative planning meetings, reviewing measures, and documenting the progress via the Strategic plan Scorecard.

**IV. Making a Difference**

**Dr. Anabel Espinosa**

- A. Introduced the Making a Difference in which every month the Inclusion, Screening and Child Assessment Team will share a story from the field, highlighting the supports offered to children and families.

Mission: To promote high-quality school readiness, voluntary pre-kindergarten and after school programs, thus increasing all children's chances of achieving future educational success and becoming productive members of society. The Coalition seeks to further the physical, social, emotional and intellectual needs of Miami-Dade and Monroe County children with a priority toward the ages before birth through age 5.



**V. Guest Speaker: Florida Housing**

**Mark Pease**

- A. M. Pease presented valuable information on the Hometown Hero's Program. The Florida Hometown Heroes Housing Program makes homeownership affordable for eligible frontline community workers such as law enforcement officers, firefighters, educators, healthcare professionals, childcare employees, and active military or veterans. Information was distributed to all attendees via email.

**VI. New VPK Requirement Revisited**

**Cindy Cabrera**

- A. Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) Updates and reminders were provided by C. Cabrera.
- B. Review of VPK Provider Readiness Rates and Plan to Improve Updates and reminders were provided by C. Cabrera.

**VII. American Rescue Plan Act Update**

**Fiorella A. Christie**

- A. F. Altare Christie reported the most updated statistics on the ARPA Round 2 applications and awards as well as the ARPA Workforce Notice of Award.

**VIII. Listening Session Roundtable Update**

**Dr. Eileen Fluney  
Jeni Roig  
Juanita Walker**

**IX. Early Education Partners Roundtable**

**Provider  
Representatives**

- A. Family Child Care Home Discussion
- Dr. Perla Almodovar
  - Danish Williams
  - Alma Diaz
- B. Program-Based Discussion
- Jenni Roig (Private Provider Representative)
  - Dr. Eileen Fluney (Faith-Based Provider Representative)
  - Dr. Daniel Armstrong (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Program Representative)
- C. General Discussion

**X. Public Comments**

**Rick Beasley**

**XI. Adjourn**

**Rick Beasley**

