Summary for Board of Directors Meeting

Date/Time:	May 17, 2023 – 8:30 A.M.
Location:	ELCAC Training Room and via Zoom
Members Present:	Lisa Armour (Zoom), Patrick Bizub, Brenda Brown (Zoom), George Dix (Zoom), Laura Gillman (Zoom), Donna Jones, Marsha Kiner, Carolynn Komanski (Zoom), Candi Morris (Zoom), Misty Smith (Zoom), Cheryl Twombly (Zoom), Michael Williams (Zoom)
Members Absent:	Phyllis Marty, Dr. Patricia Snyder (Excused), Autumn Tomas (Excused)
Staff Present:	Jacki Hodges, Kelli Williams, Steve Harris, Terrie Robinson
Guests Present:	None

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Call to Order	Board of Directors Meeting	Called to order by Patrick Bizub at 8:42 AM.
Declaration of Conflict of Interest	None	
Approval of Agenda	Members reviewed the agenda.	A Motion was made and seconded by (Kiner/Jones) to approve the agenda. Motion was approved.
Approval of Minutes	Members reviewed the board minutes of March 22 nd minutes.	A Motion was made and seconded by (Armour/Morris) to approve the 3/22/23 minutes. Motion was approved.
CEO's Report	CEO Report – May 2023 May 17, 2023	
	We are closing the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year <i>Fully</i> staffedYAY. I am excited to introduce our new Program Director, Terrie Robinson, to our team. Terrie started with the ELCAC on April 24 th and she has early childhood education experience working many years with the Head Start program. We currently	

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<u>Item</u>	have 29 employees for the ELCAC. The CEO introduced the new Director of Programs, Terrie Robinson.	
	Now that we have a new Chancellor for the Division of Early Learning and we have past pandemic experiences, the DEL is working with our Association of Early Learning (AELC) to getting back to more in person and regularly scheduled meetings.	
	My colleagues and I have asked DEL about any potential provider rate increases (DEL has complete authority to approve /deny rate increases). The legislature allocated \$750,000 to complete a study for "Cost of Care". This survey deadline for completion is January 2024.	
	 Legislative Watch Budget Updates – Early Learning Budget Conference closed out with the following exciting highlights: 	
	 \$100 million increase to SR recurring base funding, for a total of \$889 million 	
	 \$77 million to fill funding gaps in communities and sustain current enrollments 	
	 We will continue to enroll as usual and make requests to DEL if our coalition needs to "tap into" the \$77 million non-recurring funds to keep our enrollment stable. 	
	 \$2.6 million increase to Help Me Grow statewide 	
	 \$20 million increase to VPK funding, which equates to approx \$148 increase to VPK BSA 	
	 VPK \$15/hour for staff was not approved; however, the BPK Base Student Allocation (BSA) went up. The 2023- 24 school rate is \$2,941 per child and \$2511 for summer program. The new 2023-24 VPK rates were based on the Estimating Conference and workload. Unfortunately for the providers that opted into the program will see an overall decrease of \$469/child. 	
	• \$750,000 set aside for cost of care study	
	 \$315 million in ARPA discretionary funding for coalitions/providers to address local initiatives to meet unique community needs 	
	• The nonrecurring sum of \$315,000,000 from the	

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	American Rescue Plan Child Care and Development Block Grant Trust Fund are provided to the Department of Education to implement the Discretionary Grant Program. Grantees include Early Learning Coalitions and School Readiness Providers. The Department of Education shall develop an application process.	
	• <i>Grant funds may be used for the following purposes:</i>	
	 Increasing/Building the Supply of Child Care, Training and Professional Development Activities, Workforce Initiatives, Local Initiatives/Pilot Projects to Improve Kindergarten Readiness, Community Outreach and Family Engagement, Mental Health Supports, and Equipment, Supplies, Classroom/Child Care Materials, Curriculum, Business Administration Computer Software, and School Readiness Learning Computer Software. 	
	 SB 676 – Background Screenings 	
	 Passed both House and Senate, Ordered Enrolled (prepared to be sent to the Governor) 	
	 Aligns disqualified offenses for level 2 screenings 	
	 Moves certain VECHS users (qualified entities) and screenings into ACHA clearinghouse by Jan 1, 2026 	
	 Allows for open alerts of screened individuals 	
	 Fingerprints would be retained so wouldn't need to be re-fingerprinted for 5-year rescreens 	
	 Shared staff or transfer of already screened individuals between rosters (wouldn't have to be rescreened as long as there isn't a break in service greater than 90 days; would reduce cost and duplicative screenings). 	
	• HB 443 – Education (EL Pieces)	
	 Passed both House and Senate, Ordered Enrolled 	

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	(prepared to be sent to the Governor)	
	 Requires DCF to submit a report by December 31, 2024 (and every 5 years thereafter) to Governor, the Senate President, and the Speaker of the House that includes: 	
	• Training requirements and coursework offered by the department to child care personnel.	
	• The report must include the results of a reliable and valid survey of child care personnel regarding training and coursework.	
	 Requires that the statewide information system include the capability for a parent to find early learning programs online, including the performance profile, which also must be integrated into the online portal. 	
	 Clarifies the Gold Seal requirement related to the number of the <u>same</u> violation a provider can have before losing their accreditation status. 	
	• HB 7039 – Student Outcomes	
	 Passed both House and Senate, Ordered Enrolled (prepared to be sent to the Governor) 	
	 Requires Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) performance standards and curriculum and courses in emergent literacy for prekindergarten instructors be grounded in the science of reading. 	
	 Requires any private prekindergarten provider or public school that fails to meet the minimum learning gains to use state approved curricula. 	
	 Expands the New Worlds Reading Initiative to pre-k students. 	
	 Provides that a VPK student who exhibits a substantial deficiency in early math skills, based upon the results of the administration of the final coordinated screening and progress monitoring, must be referred to the local school district and may be eligible to receive intensive interventions before entering Kindergarten. 	
	• SB 2502 – Implementing Bill (section 5)	
	 Passed on Senate floor, sent to House for approval 5/5/23 	

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	 Extends the development timeline for the performance metric as well as the timeline to which the first designation will be applied. 	
	 Removes the provisions that would disqualify a VPK provider based on a failure to meet minimum program assessment composite scores. 	
	 These changes expire and revert back to current language in one year. 	
	"VOLUNTARY PREKINDERGARTEN EDUCATION PROGRAM. Amends s. 1002.68(4)(a)(f), (5), F.S., to extend the timelines for the development and implementation of methodology relating to performance metrics for VPK providers and removes the provision that disqualifies VPK providers based on a failure to meet minimum program assessment composite scores."	
	 HB 5101 – Education Conforming Bill 	
	 Passed on Senate floor, sent to House for approval 5/5/23 	
	 Renames District Cost Differential to "Comparable Wage Factor" throughout 	
	 Expands incentives for micro-credentials to anyone that works in child care/early learning settings. 	
	 SB 1188 – Contract Liability 	
	 Passed both House and Senate, Ordered Enrolled (prepared to be sent to the Governor) 	
	 The bill requires all contracts for services in excess of \$35,000 to include a provision limiting vendor liability for direct damages to the greater of \$100,000, the dollar amount of the contract or purchase order, or two times the charges rendered by the contractor under the purchase order. 	
	 This limitation of liability clause does not impact other contractual provisions relating to indemnification for any contractual services or insurance coverage for professional services contracts. 	
	 This requirement also applies to purchases by the early learning coalitions. 	

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	• HB 1021/SB 990 – Early Learning Bill									
Financial Reports	 Died in Senate Appropriations 									
	 Balance Sheet All cash accounts have been reconciled through December 2022 and January 2023 have been started. We are currently holding \$7,641,669 in cash (03/02/2023) Accounts receivable is \$7,498,501.30 We have \$182,525 in fixed assets with a net book value of \$319.13 Accounts Payable is \$1,261,750.65 and current DEL Advance is \$11,319,498.08 and overpayments due to DEL from 18/19 FY are \$853,929.94. Total Net Assets are \$157,279.32. 									
	ELC OF ALACHUA COUNTY EXECUTIVE SUMMARY		1	PROGRAM TOTALS						
	SR Direct Services Min: 78%	6,434, <u>190 + 48,</u> 36 3 7,913,083	81.9%		Budget	Expenditure	Balance	% of Budget Spent		
	SR Admin Max: 5%	376,010 +	4.752%	SR Total SR Admin SR Non-Direct SR Quality	11,788,140 589,407 840,474 810,623	7,864,719 376,010 642,160 412,358	3,923,421 213,397 198,314 398,265	66.7% 63.8% 76.4% 50.9%		
	SR Admin/NonDirect/Quality Max: 22%	1,430,529 +	18.1%	SR Direct Services* Quality Performance SR Match	9,547,636 694,664 72,545	6,434,190 466,389 25,953	3,113,446 228,275 46,592	67.4% 67.1% 35.8%		
	SR Quality Min: 4%	7,913,083 412, <u>358 *</u> 7,913,083	5.2%	Program Assessment Special Needs Gold Seal PreSchool Development	26,764 39,100 765,944 2,286	3,536 566,943	26,764 35,564 199,001 2,286	0 9.% 74.% 0		
	SR Match Max: 572,545 Dollar-for-Dollar Match: Program Assessment: 54,559,736 VPK Admin Max: 54 PDG Admin Max: 55 CRRSA Admin Max: 55 12,57 Admin Exp	4,370,749	25,952.84 25,952.84 0.00 3.739% 100.0% -Yr Admin % 0.4%	VPK Total VPK Admin VPK Additional Funds VPK PA CRRSA ARPA ESSER * includes SR Match	4,659,736 179,221 4,480,515 822,154 42,547 997,519 18,733,182 9,903	2,964,909 106,859 2,858,051 514,618 42,547 997,519 12,799,930 2,922	1,694,827 72,362 1,622,464 307,536 5,933,252 6,981	63.6% 59.6% 63.8% 62.6% 100.% 68.3% 29.5%		
	ARPA Admin Max: 5% 71,024	14,418,411	0.5%							
	YTD MATCH SUMMARY Cash in EFSM Cash not i Cost Type Direct Service 48,363.32 Admin 0.00 All Non Direct .00 Quality .00	in EFSM .00 .00 .00 .00	Total Cash 48,363.32 0.00 0.00 0.00	Public Funds	Private Fu	nds				
Committee Updates:	Quality Committee - C a wonderful job comm	-	-			-				
	Finance/Audit Committee - No Update									
	Executive Committee	·	-							
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Public Input	None	
Adjournment		The Meeting was adjourned by Patrick Bizub at 9:25AM.