



Nominating Committee Meeting

Monday, January 26, 2026
3250 S.W. 3rd Avenue (Coral Way)
United Way – Conference Room C
9:15 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

AGENDA

Board of Directors

Kenneth C. Hoffman
Chair
Pamela Hollingsworth
Vice-Chair
Matthew Arsenaault
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Laurie Weiss Nuell
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Laura Adams
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Daniel Bagner, Ph.D.
Hon. Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall, Ph.D.
Cathy Burgos
Silvia Castellanos
Norie del Valle
Lourdes Diaz
Gilda Ferradaz
Gioia Ploy Gentile
Hon. Norman S. Gerstein (Ret.)
Lourdes P. Gimenez
Valrose Graham
Mindy Grimes-Festge
Osmani Gonzalez
Hon. Keon Hardemon
Malou C. Harrison, Ph.D.
Thamara Labrousse
Benjamin Nussbaum
Clara Lora Ospina, Psy.D.
Hon. Orlando Prescott
Hon. Alex Rizo
Hon. Isaac Salver
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Miriam Soler Ramos, J.D.
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David Lawrence Jr.
Founding Chair

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President & CEO

County Attorney's Office
Legal Counsel

9:15 a.m. **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

Dr. Daniel Bagner
Committee Chair

9:17 a.m. **Public Comments**

Dr. Daniel Bagner
Committee Chair

9:20 a.m. **Approval of November 17, 2025, Nominating Committee minutes summary**
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Dr. Daniel Bagner
Committee Chair

9:25 a.m. **Discuss and Review a Slate of Officers for the term of April 2026-2028**

- *Select the board officers that will be recommended for approval at the Board meeting on March 16, 2026*

Dr. Daniel Bagner
Committee Chair

9:40 a.m. **Other Items**

Dr. Daniel Bagner
Committee Chair

9:45 a.m. **Adjourn**

The public is allowed to comment on a specific agenda item but must register with the Clerk of the Board prior to being allowed to comment.



**Nominating Committee Meeting Summary
Summary of Actions Taken
November 17, 2025
10:30 a.m.– 12:05 p.m.**

The Nominating Committee Meeting was held on November 17, 2025:

Committee members in attendance: Dr. Daniel Bagner, Gilda Ferradaz, Norie Del Valle, Dr. Malou C. Harrison, Kenneth C. Hoffman ex officio, Thamara Labrousse, and Laurie W. Nuell.

Legal Counsel in attendance: Leigh Kobrinski

Staff in attendance: Imran Ali, Jack Bentolila, James R. Haj, Juana Leon, Yuliet Alfonso, and Lianne Gage.

Guests speakers in attendance: Lucia Baez-Geller, Jennifer Solamon, Miles Davis, & Mary Eakins-Durand.

The meeting was called to order at 10:40 a.m. by Dr. Daniel Bagner, Chair of the Nominating Committee.

The following action was taken at the Nominating Committee meeting on November 17, 2025:

Motion to approve November 03, 2025, Nominating Committee meeting minutes as revised was made by Dr. Malou C. Harrison and seconded by Laurie W. Nuell. Motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Motion to recommend to the Board approval of the organization serving as the “locally recognized faith-based coalition” to fill the applicable Board member seat was made by Laurie W. Nuell and seconded by Thamara Labrousse. Motion passed unanimously, 6-0.

The following seven candidates were interviewed to fill the at-large vacant position: Danny Blanco, Karyn Cunningham, Michael Joseph, Ilia Molina, Michael Nozile, John Ortega, and Straton Politzer. Following the interviews, the Nominating Committee discussed the candidates and there was a consensus among the members to recommend Ilia Molina to the Board to fill the vacancy. A motion to recommend Ilia Molina as an at-large member, to the Board at the January 26, 2026, Board of Directors Meeting was made by Dr. Malou C. Harrison and seconded by Gilda Ferradaz. Motion passed unanimously, 6-0.

Meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.