



Board of Directors Meeting Monday, September 8, 2025

4:50 p.m.

**Location:
United Way – Ryder Room
3250 S.W. 3rd Avenue (Coral Way)**





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4:50 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Board of Directors

Kenneth C. Hoffman
Chair
Pamela Hollingsworth
Vice-Chair
Matthew Arsenault
Treasurer
TBD
Secretary

Edward Abraham, M.D.
Laura Adams
Islamiyat Nancy Adebisi
Alex Auguste
Daniel Bagner, Ph.D.
Hon. Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall, Ph.D.
Cathy Burgos
Silvia Castellanos
Norie del Valle
Lourdes Diaz
Gilda Ferradaz
Gioia 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
Alfred Sanchez
Miriam Soler Ramos, J.D.
Luis E. Suarez, J.D.
Laurie Weiss Nuell

David Lawrence Jr.
Founding Chair

James R. Haj
President & CEO

County Attorney's Office
Legal Counsel

AGENDA

4:50 p.m. **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

Kenneth C. Hoffman
Chair

4:52 p.m. **Public Comments**

Kenneth C. Hoffman
Chair

4:53 p.m. **Approval of June 16, 2025 Board of Directors
minutes summary**

(Additional Items Packet) (Pgs. 3)

Kenneth C. Hoffman
Chair

4:55 p.m. **Nominating Committee Report**

- *Approval of New At-Large Board Member*
- *Approval of the candidate for Secretary*

Dr. Daniel Bagner
Committee Chair

5:00 p.m. **Adjourn**

Reminder:

Next TRIM II Meeting: *Monday, September 15, 2025

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.



**Board of Directors Meeting
Summary of Actions Taken
June 16, 2025
8:36 a.m.**

These actions were taken by the Board of Directors of The Children's Trust meeting held on June 16, 2025:

Please note that the number of board members fluctuate based on arrival and departure of some of them throughout the meeting.

Board Members in attendance: Kenneth C. Hoffman, Chair, Pamela Hollingsworth, Vice Chair, Matthew Arsenault, Treasurer, Marissa Leichter, Secretary, Dr. Edward Abraham, Laura Adams, Islamiyat Nancy Adebisi, Alex Auguste, Dr. Daniel Bagner, Hon. Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall, Cathy Burgos, Norie Del Valle, Lourdes Diaz, Lourdes Diaz, Rev. Richard P. Dunn II, Lourdes P. Gimenez, Gilda Ferradaz, Gioia Gentile, Osmani Gonzalez, Nicole Gomez, Mindy Grimes-Festge, Hon. Keon Hardemon, Dr. Malou C. Harrison, Thamara Labrousse Hon. Orlando Prescott, Laurie W. Nuell (Non-Voting Member), Hon. Isaac Salver, Alfred Sanchez.

Public Comment – none

Motion to approve May 19, 2025, Board minutes summaries was made by Hon. Isaac Salver and seconded by Dr. Edward Abraham. Motion passed unanimously, 22-0.

Executive Committee Report

Motion to ratify action of the Executive Committee on March 17, 2025 approving Resolution No. 2025-38, made by Dr. Edward Abraham and seconded by Gilda Ferradaz. Motion passed, 20-0. Recusals by Dr. Daniel Bagner due to position at FIU, and Cathy Burgos conflict due to position at Miami-Dade County.

Resolution 2025-38: Authorization to negotiate and execute renewal contracts with 117 providers, identified herein, to deliver high-quality (i) after-school programming for 16,642 elementary, middle, high school-aged children and youth, and (ii) summer programming for 15,389 elementary, middle, and high school-aged children and youth, in a total amount not to exceed \$71,948,800.00, for a contract term of 12 months, commencing August 15, 2025, and ending August 14, 2026, with two remaining annual renewals, subject to annual funding appropriations. Further authorization to change the legal name of one of the providers.

Motion to ratify action of the Executive Committee on May 19, 2025, approving Resolution No. 2025-42, made by Pamela Hollingsworth and seconded by Judge Orlando Prescott. Motion passed, 22-0. Recusal by Dr. Malou C. Harrison conflict due to position at Miami Dade College.

Resolution 2025-42: Authorization to negotiate and execute contract renewals with 22 providers, identified herein, for Family and Neighborhood Support Partnerships, in an amount not to exceed \$13,669,562.00, and for The Children's Trust to encumber a purchase order in the amount of \$600,000.00 for pooled family stabilization funding, for a total amount not to exceed \$14,269,562.00, for a term of 12 months, commencing October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026, with one remaining contract renewal.

Motion to ratify action of the Executive Committee on May 19, 2025, approving Resolution No. 2025-47, made by Judge Orlando Prescott and seconded by Dr. Edward Abraham. Motion passed, 21-0. Recusals by Dr. Daniel Bagner due to position at FIU, and Pamela Hollingsworth due to the CEO sits on the board for the Family Learning Partnership.

Resolution 2025-47: Authorization to negotiate and execute contracts with 44 providers, identified herein, to deliver evidence-based parenting and family strengthening services, in a total amount not to exceed \$23,230,563.00, each for a term of 12 months, commencing October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026, each with two remaining annual renewals, subject to annual funding appropriations.

Presentations & Discussion Items:

The preliminary budget and millage rate for FY 2025-26 was presented by William Kirtland and discussed among board members.

Finance & Operations Committee Report

Motion to approve the recommendation of the Finance committee to set the FY 2025-26 proposed millage at a roll back rate of 0.4610 mills, was made by Hon. Isaac Salver and seconded by Alfred Sanchez. Motion passed, 25-0. Recusal by Judge Orlando Prescott per statute.

Motion to approve the recommendation of the Staff for the FY 2025-26 budget, was made by Tamara Labrousse and seconded by Alex Auguste. Motion passed unanimously, 26-0.

[Consent Agenda]

Consent Agenda included Resolutions 2025-50, 2025-51, 2025-52, and 2025-55, which passed on a single vote. Motion to approve the resolutions was made by Norie Del Valle and seconded by Marissa Leichter. Motion unanimously passed, 24-0.

Resolution 2025-50: Authorization to renew services and execute related agreements with multiple IT vendors, and to waive (in part) the formal competitive procurement process [2/3 vote] in a total amount not to exceed \$1,762,586.00, inclusive of \$50,000.00 contingency for IT budgeted enhancement projects, for a term of 12 months, commencing on October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026.

Resolution 2025-51: Authorization to negotiate and execute contracts with three providers, identified herein, to implement The Children's Trust Parent Club through universal parenting workshops and supports across the developmental spectrum, in a total amount not to exceed \$1,700,000.00, for a term of 12 months, commencing October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026, each with three remaining annual renewals, subject to annual funding appropriations.

Resolution 2025-52: Authorization to enter into a sponsorship agreement with Actors' Playhouse at the Miracle Theatre Inc. for presenting sponsorship of the Young Talent Big Dreams talent search, in an amount not to exceed \$55,000.00, for a term of 12 months, commencing on October 1, 2025, and ending on September 30, 2026.

Resolution 2025-55: Authorization to negotiate and execute contract renewals with eight providers, identified herein, for Trust Academy quality supports, in a total amount not to exceed \$4,249,893.00, for a term of 12 months, commencing October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026, with one remaining contract renewal.

[Non-Consent Agenda]

Resolution 2025-53: Motion to approve the resolution was made by Thamara Labrousse and seconded by Judge Orlando Prescott Authorization to negotiate and execute contracts with four vendors, identified herein, to support The Children's Trust Book Club, in a total amount not to exceed \$3,732,339.00, inclusive of \$100,000.00 contingency for potential cost increases to operate the program. In addition, authorization for the President/CEO to move funds between the different implementation components identified within this resolution, for a term of 12 months, commencing October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026, with four possible contract renewals. **Motion passed, 25-0. Recusal by Pamela Hollingsworth, conflict due to the CEO sits on the board for the Family Learning Partnership.**

Resolution 2025-54: Motion to approve the resolution was made by Richard P. Dunn and seconded by Islamiyat Nancy Adebisi Authorization to negotiate and execute a match contract with Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs, for cultural arts programs in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000.00, for a term of 12 months, commencing October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026. **Motion passed, 25-0. Recusal by Cathy Burgos, conflict due to Cultural Affair is on her portfolio.**

The meeting adjourned at 9:16 a.m.