



**Minutes of the Escambia Children's Trust  
Board Meeting  
Held at the Escambia County Board of Commissioner Chambers  
August 10, 2021**

The Board Meeting of the Escambia Children's Trust met Tuesday August 10, 2021 in the Escambia County Board of Commissioner Chambers with Stephanie White, Chairwoman presiding. Members in attendance were Judge Jennifer J. Frydrychowicz, Dr. Rex Northup, David Peaden, Tori Woods, Walter Sachs, Carolyn Appleyard, Interim Administrator and Interim Administrative Assistant Emmalee Fournier.

- 1.) Approval of current agenda and minutes from 7.13.21  
Agenda was approved.
- 2.) Update from Executive Subcommittee
  - The Subcommittee unanimously recommended Clark Partington Law Firm.
  - Lumon May moved and Dr. Tim Smith seconded to accept Clark Partington as the Law Firm for ECT. The motion passed.
  - Judge Frydrychowicz abstained from the vote.
  - Will Dunaway with Clark Partington firm introduced himself and Meredith Crawford; the position was accepted.
- 3.) Update from the Personnel Committee
  - David Peaden reported from the Personnel Committee about the solicitation for Executive Search Firms
    - Closing submission date is 7.30.21. *(Rescheduled to 8.16.21)*
    - Submissions to be reviewed on 8.9.21 3:30 pm at Greater Little Rock Baptist Church to review submissions to make recommendations to the board. *(Rescheduled for 8.24.21 at 9 a.m. at the Board of County Commissioners Chambers).*
    - Emmalee Fournier reported the following organizations have placed advertisements with:
      - National Association of Developmental Organizations (paid advertisement)
      - Florida City and County Management Association (free advertisement)
      - Florida League of Cities (free advertisement)

- The following firms were contacted about the request for solicitation:
  - Colin, Baezinger & Associates
  - CPS HR Consulting
  - GovHR USA
  - Mercer Group
  - Novak Consulting Group
  - Prothman
  - Slavin Management Consultants
  - W. Brown Creative Partners
  - Koya Partners – koyapartners.com
  - The Moran Company – morancompany.com
  - Staffing Advisors

4.) Michelle Watson, CEO of the Florida Children's Services Council, joined the meeting virtually to discuss best practices for areas of focus and the bidding process.

- For more information on the Florida Children's Council, go to <https://flchildrenscouncil.org>

5.) Call for Public Comment

- Admiral Kozak: CEO of the Naval Aviation Museum, explained the programming provided for Middle School aged students. The STAR Base program that addresses high risk 5<sup>th</sup> grader students needs.

6.) Upcoming meetings (posted under Calendar on the website)

- Personnel Committee Meeting August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 *at 9:00 a.m. at the Board of County Commissioners Chambers.*
- August 17<sup>th</sup> is the scheduled Planning Day from 8-11 a.m. to the Woodlands Heights Community Resource Center, 111 Berkley Drive Pensacola, FL 32503.

7.) Adjourned at 6:36 p.m.