



**Minutes of the Escambia Children's Trust**  
**Board Meeting**  
**Held at the JE Hall Center**  
**May 25, 2021**

The Board Meeting of the Escambia Children's Trust met Tuesday, May 25, 2021 in Room 160 of the JE Hall Center with Stephanie White, Chairwoman presiding. Members in attendance were Judge Jennifer J. Frydrychowicz, Dr. Tim Smith, Stephanie White, Pastor Lonnie Wesley, Patty Hightower, David Peaden, Lumon May and Carolyn Appleyard, Interim Administrator.

**1.) Approval of minutes**

Stephanie White moved to approve the minutes on the May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021, Escambia Children's Trust meeting. Commissioner Lumon May moves the approval; David Peaden seconds. All were in favor.

**2.) Update from Interim Administrator**

Sarah Patton reported on the Escambia Children's Trust website which will have the meeting notices, agendas, minutes, videos and bylaws.

Judge Jennifer J. Frydrychowicz suggested to add the list of Board members onto the website.

Daily updates for the website can come from Carolyn Appleyard and Stephanie White. The Board agreed to the request.

**3.) Action items**

**a.) Recommendations from Executive Committee**

- i.) The establishment of a Personnel committee recommends David Peaden to be head of a Personnel Committee. Pastor Lonnie Wesley III will be Vice Chair, Commissioner Lumon May, Stephanie White, Patty Hightower, and Tori Woods will also serve on the Committee.

## ii.) Public Comment

The executive committee recommended a public forum at 4:30 prior to the Board meeting. Lumon May amended to adhere to the statute that any member of the public can speak to any item on the agenda, and to reserve the public forum at the end of the meeting for any item they wish to comment on for three minutes per speaker and can be less as the Chair sees fit.

Pastor Lonnie Wesley III seconded the amendment to the motion.

Stephanie White motioned to start the Board meetings at 5:30p.m. Public speaking protocol includes a completed form that will be brought up at the end of the meeting. The Board was in favor of the motion.

## iii.) Logo

The Board was in favor of retaining the original Trust Logo from the campaign.

## b.) Recommendations from The Budget Subcommittee

The Budget subcommittee consists of Dr. Timothy Smith, Stephanie White, Tori Woods, David Peaden, Commissioner Lumon May, Patty HighTower, and Carolyn Appleyard. The Committee has recommended to the Board for acceptance of the budget and asking a line of credit for \$272,000 from the County or a local bank.

Stephanie White moved to approve the proposed budget; the Board was in favor.

Lumon May amended to change the job title of “Executive Assistant” to “Administrator Executive Support Staff.” Pastor Lonnie Wesley III seconded it. David Peaden has amended to change the Executive Assistant pay to \$30,000-\$50,000. Commissioner Lumon May has seconded.

Stephanie White recommends approving the range of the personnel salary as amended, the Board seconds Mrs. White’s recommendation.

## c.) Millage

Stephanie White asked to vote for the line of credit of \$272,000 from the County Commissioner. Patty Hightower seconded. The Board was in favor, Commissioner

Lumon May abstained from the vote.

The Board will vote on the proposed millage thirty days after June 1<sup>st</sup>. The date, time, and location will be announced at the next meeting. Allison Rogers suggested a budget meeting before their next meeting on June 22nd.

4.) Discussion items – RFP

The By-Laws Committee will work on the policies, the conflict-of-interest statement, and request for proposals.

5.) Call for public comment

[Mrs. Andrea Krieger](#), Director of Institutional Development at Pensacola State College, presented information about [trainings offered at the college](#) that could help the Escambia Children's Trust. [There is a fee for each training.](#)

6.) Adjournment

Pastor Lonnie Wesley III moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:35p.m. Dr. Timothy Smith seconded the motion. The Board was in favor.