

Approved June 29, 2026, Board Meeting
Early Learning Coalition of Broward County, Inc.
Board Meeting Minutes
May 11, 2026, at 9:30 AM
Hybrid

Members in Attendance	Chair Laurie Sallarulo; Dawn Liberta; Michael Asseff; Cindy Arenberg-Seltzer (virtual); Ellie Schrot (virtual); Sharonda Bailey (virtual); Krystie Castillo (virtual); Jodi Davidson (virtual); Amy Hauser (virtual); Carol Hylton (virtual); Renee Podolsky; Dr. Amoy Reid (virtual); Jessica Rodriguez (virtual); Traci Schweitzer; Zachary Talbot (virtual); Megan Turetsky; Julie Winburn (virtual)
Members Absent (Excused)	Maria Hernandez; Kirk Englehardt; Karen Taveras; Rebecca Thompson
Members Absent (Unexcused)	
Honorary Members	
Staff in Attendance	Renee Jaffe, CEO; Christine Klima, CAO; Hubert Cesar, COO; Allison Metsch, VP of Education; Amy Moore, VP of Family Services & Communication Engagement; Melody Martinez, Board Liaison; Lizbeth DelVecchio, Manager, Exec. Office & Board Operations; Ancel Pratt III, Senior Dir. of Communications; Alesia Davis, Dir. of Family Services; Ayme Hamoui, Dir. of Education Program Assessment; Andres Calero, Accountant; Daniel Hollenbaugh, AP and Payroll Manager; Gracy Haladjian, Dir. of Family & C.S.; Irene Ramos, Office Coordinator; Megan DeGraaf, Purchasing & Procurement Specialist; Roy Persaud, Accountant; Sandra Paul, Sr. Dir. of Provider Reimbursement; Stephanie Landreville, Controller; Joseph Fike, Jr. System Administrator
Others in Attendance	Jacob Horowitz, Legal Counsel; Andria Dewson, CSC Staff Member

Item	Action/Discussion
Welcome & Call to Order	Chair Laurie Sallarulo called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. Roll was called, and a quorum was established.
Chair Report	
CEO Report	CEO Renee Jaffe reported that while VPK enrollment data for 2026–2027 is not yet available, current approval trends suggest steady demand. The Early Landscape Analysis project has begun, and updates will be shared. Lastly, Zachary Talbot will resign effective June 30, with formal recognition planned for the September meeting.
Mission Moment – Out and About with Local Elected Officials	Out and About with Local Elected Officials Video shown
Consent Agenda 1. Approve March 9, 2026, Meeting minutes 2. B265CA1- Authorize sole-sourced subrecipient posting for The Children’s Forum to administer the Broward INCENTIVE\$ Program 3. B265CA2- Authorize sole-sourced vendor posting for 211 Referral services 4. B265CA3- Sole-sourced vendor	A Motion was made by Megan Turetsky and Seconded by Renee Podolsky to move the Consent Agenda. The Motion was unanimously approved. Motion Passed.

posting for Teachstone CLASS®-related materials and trainings	
Finance Committee 1. B265FIN1 – Approve March 2026 Interim Financial Statements 2. B265FIN2- Approve FY 2026 Amendment #5	<u>March 2026 Interim Financial Statements</u> CAO Christine Klima presented the March 2026 Interim Financial Statements. The Finance Committee brought forth a Motion to Approve March 2026 Interim Financial Statements, Pending Approval of an Annual Audit Performed by a Qualified Independent Certified Public Accountant. The Motion was unanimously approved. Motion Passed <u>FY 2026 Budget Amendment #5</u> CAO Christine Klima presented the FY2026 Amendment. The Finance Committee brought forth a Motion to Approve FY2026 Budget Amendment #5. The Motion was unanimously approved. Motion Passed Christine shared that the Coalition received a \$448,908 SR Match allocation from the state through the ReOb/DeOb process conducted approximately one month ago. Shortly after the additional allocation was awarded, the state initiated another round of ReOb/DeOb requests where coalitions unable to utilize their funds could release them for redistribution to coalitions with the capacity to use additional funding. Christine explained that, at this late point in the fiscal year, it is very difficult to significantly change enrollment trajectories, limiting the number of coalitions able to absorb additional funds. However, because of the flexibility of CSC of Broward funding because they operate on a different fiscal year than ELC Broward’s, we have the flexibility to move funds between fiscal years to accommodate additional funding if a surplus occurs. Based on this flexibility, staff requested up to \$1.5 million in additional funds. Christine noted that it is unlikely that we will receive the full amount requested because the pool is smaller than the total amount of requests. Instead, we are more likely to receive a proportional share. Cindy added that there is a possibility that our FY27 funding allocation may be reduced in the pending State budget and shifting surplus CSC funds to FY27 will help offset any potential funding shortfalls. Cindy added that CSC can also roll funds allocated to ELC between contract years in FY27 in order to give the ELC more flexibility in timing expenditures of CSC funds and make the most of State School Readiness funding throughout the ELC fiscal year.
Regular Business 1. B265RB1- Approve Related Party Transaction	<u>Related Party</u> First Vice Chair Dawn Liberta presented the action item. A Motion was made by Megan Turetsky and Seconded by Renee Podolsky to Approve FY 2026 Estimated Related Party Travel Purchase for Laurie Sallarulo to Attend Learners to Earners Conference in Tampa on June 23, 2026. The Motion was unanimously approved. Motion Passed. <u>Abstentions:</u> • Laurie Sallarulo abstained as she is the Chair of the ELC of Broward.

Audit Committee Update from Committee Chairs	None
Governance Committee Update from Committee Chairs	None
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Ad Hoc Fundraising Update from Committee Chairs	None
Program Review Committee Update from Committee Chairs	None
Provider Representatives Update from Provider Representatives	None
Old Business	None
New Business	None
Matters from the Chair	None
Matters from our Partners	None
Public Comments	None
Next Meeting	<u>June 29, 2026, at 9:30 AM</u>
Adjourn	Megan Turetsky made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:09 AM

These minutes contain the action items of the Board meeting of the Early Learning Coalition of Broward. They do not include all of the Committee's discussions or comments on each matter or issue raised during the meeting. A tape recording of the meeting is held in the Coalition office. Corrections from the Committee will be taken before approval at the next meeting.

Ellen Schrot