



**Early Learning Coalition of Broward County, Inc.**  
**Provider Representative & CEO Meeting Minutes**  
**September 5, 2024, at 10:00 AM: MINUTES APPROVED on February 3, 2025**  
**Virtual Meeting**

Members in Attendance	Kristie Castillo Melody McDonald
Members Absent	
Staff in Attendance	Renee Jaffe, CEO; Lizbeth DelVecchio, Executive Assistant and Special Projects Coordinator
Others in Attendance	

Item	Action/Discussion
<b>Meeting Start Time</b>	The Meeting Started at 10:04 AM.
Approve June 12, 2024, Meeting Minutes	A <b>Motion</b> was made by <b>Melody McDonald</b> approve the June 12, 2024, meeting minutes, <b>Seconded</b> by <b>Krystie Castillo</b> . The <b>Motion was unanimously approved. Motion Passes.</b>
<b>Meeting Topic</b>	<p>The CEO met with the Provider Representatives to continue discussing the needs of the childcare community. The topics discussed were the status of enrollments and the waitlist, our need for funding, the strategic planning goals, and</p> <p>CEO Renee Jaffe asked what the providers are seeing with the workforce.</p> <p><b>Melody McDonald</b> shared that there are a lot of open positions for teachers, and there is a bit of turnover going on. She also shared that some providers are not accepting VPK-only children. They are only taking full-time enrolled children due to the financial strain.</p> <p>CEO Renee Jaffe, touched on the different models and best practices she has been researching over the summer to continue implementing programming within ELC to better support the provider community.</p>
<b>Unfinished Business</b>	None
<b>New Business</b>	None
<b>Matters from the Chair</b>	None
<b>Public Comments</b>	There was no discussion.
<b>Next Meeting</b>	<b>TBD</b>
<b>Adjourn</b>	The meeting adjourned at 10:30 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.*