



**Governance Committee  
February 26, 2009**

A meeting of the Governance Committee of the **Early Learning Coalition of Manatee County** was held on February 26, 2009 at 12:00 P.M. at 3526 Ninth Street West, Bradenton, Florida 34205.

**Members present:**

Linda Guritz, Chair  
Sandra Edmondson  
Janice Mee

**Members absent:**

Dennis Jagdmann  
Jim Stansbury

*These minutes are a summary of discussion and actions items of the Early Learning Coalition of Manatee County Governance Committee.*

➤ **Welcome:**

Ms. Guritz welcomed everyone to the meeting.

➤ **Action Items:**

**Applications for Appointed to the Board of Directors**

- Ms. Guritz stated to the committee that she spoke with Ms. Behr in regards to a letter from the Manatee Chamber of Commerce for Ms. Harber. Ms. Behr stated that a letter was not needed from the Chamber for Ms Harber to fill the Faith Based Provider position on the Board. Ms. Edmondson stated that she could see no reason for all the applicants to go in front of the Board.

➤ **Information Items:**

- Ms. Guritz stated that she would like to propose to the Board that the person seeking appointment to the Board not be present during the voting. She stated that she was there when the Board was voting on her and she felt awkward and thought that the Board would be freer to discuss the matter better if the person was not in the room.
- Ms. Guritz also would like to propose that a glossary of terms and acronyms be given to all Board members. She suggested a list of terms, acronyms, and a short concise description of the Early Coalition and where the funding comes from.
- Ms. Guritz and Ms. Mee read from the Governance Policy which states that the Governance Committee oversees the Orientation for new members of the Board. Ms. Guritz would like to see the ELC's orientation packet. Ms. Mee stated that she might be able to get the orientation packet from Sarasota.
- Ms. Mee asked if there is a Nominating Committee or is it the job of the Governance Committee to nominate new members.

➤ **Adjournment:**

Meeting was adjourned at 1:55 P.M.

Minutes prepared by:

Minutes approved by:

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Marianne Foster

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Linda Guritz