

Nominations/Bylaws Committee Minutes

Mission: To ensure adherence to the Coalition's bylaws and governance, recruit new members, establish annual board nomination slate of officers, monitor board membership and review and approve policies related to Coalition governance.

MEETING HELD	NOVEMBER 10, 2011	3:00-4:30 PM	COALITION OFFICE
TYPE OF MEETING	Nominations/Bylaws/Policy Committee		
FACILITATOR	Nancy Starr, Director of Program Policy (ELCSWF)		
ATTENDEES	Judith Hartner, Jill Turner – Chair by phone. Absent: Colleen Gallagher, Trina Puddifoot and Kathleen Reynolds		

Agenda topics

DISCUSSION TOPIC	
Minutes of 6/6/11	Minutes from June 6, 2011 and September 15, 2011 could not be approved because there was not a quorum of committee members.
Applicants for Faith Based Position	There was no response from the Hendry/Glades faith based providers, so we solicited applications from Lee County, which was the next county up for rotation. There were 3 applications submitted by Stephanie Rode of St. Andrews Preschool, Nan Sexton of Family of Faith and Heather Singleton of New Life Assembly. All applicants were found to be excellent candidates and well qualified. After considerable deliberation, the committee decided that applicants serving both SR and VPK programs should be considered first, and since Family of Faith had already been represented on the board (Rita Sockman), another provider should be given the opportunity. Committee members also expressed an appreciation that although New Life Academy had been exempt from licensure in past, they had opted to become licensed. As a result, Heather Singleton will be recommended as nominee for Faith-Based Board seat position.
Officer Nominees for 2012	Nancy reported that after last month's Board meeting, no board members come forward to express their interest in serving as an officer or Committee chair. It was decided that Jill would bring this up for discussion at Executive Committee.
Bylaw Change?	Nancy raised question about offering mandated 2 year positions an opportunity for 2 nd term. Members felt that disrupting the current rotation plan could result on one county overwhelming the board. Decision made keep current arrangement.
At Risk Policy Revision	Participants had reviewed and approved.
Miscellaneous	Committee members felt that the Board members thoughts of how to become more engaged with the Coalition should be explored at next board meeting. Dr. Hartner was given her plaque for her many years of participation on the Coalition board.

ACTION TO BE TAKEN	Members to recruit another member for committee.
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NEXT MEETING: January 12, 2012 at 3:00 PM