



**Program Services and Childhood Health
Committee Meeting Transcript**

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THE CHILDREN'S TRUST

PROGRAM SERVICES & CHILDHOOD HEALTH COMMITTEE MEETING
"VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM WEBINAR WITH A QUORUM OF MEMBERS
PHYSICALLY PRESENT AND SOME MEMBERS ATTENDING VIRTUALLY"

The Children's Trust Program Services and Childhood Committee Meeting was held on January 7, 2021 commencing at 3:30 p.m., with a quorum of members physically present and some members attending virtually. The meeting was called to order by Pamela Hollingsworth, Chair.

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BOARD MEMBERS:

Pamela Hollingsworth, Chair (Zoom)

Karen Weller, Vice-Chair (Zoom)

Laura Adams

Dr. Daniel Bagner (Zoom)

Dr. Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall (Zoom)

Mary Donworth

Pastor Richard Dunn II

Nicole Gomez

Valrose Graham

Dr. Monique Jimenez-Herrera (Zoom)

Tiombe-Bisa Kendrick-Dun (Zoom)

Marissa Leichter

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16 Lisanne Gage

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18 Lori (Katherine) Hanson

19 Maria-Paula Garcia

20 Muriel Jeanty

21 Rachel Spector

22 Sabine Dulcio

23 Sheryl Borg

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William Kirtland

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Maria Riestra, Miami-Dade County

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Sabrina Tassy-Lewis, Miami Dade Community Action & Human Services - Miami, FL

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PROCEEDINGS

(Recording of the meeting began at 3:30 p.m.)

MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: So beautiful, good afternoon everyone, and Happy New Year. We made it to 2021. It's good to see all of you here today, and welcome to our first Program Services and Childhood Health Committee Meeting for the new year.

I'd like to begin today by welcoming our newest committee member and board member, Ms. Valrose Graham. And let's see, give us a thumbs up, Ms. Graham if you can hear me.

And Ms. Graham is the chief probation officer for Circuit 11 with the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice. We are so happy to have you with us. And if you can unmute, if you'd like to say a few words.

MS. GRAHAM: Let's see.

MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: There you are.

MS. GRAHAM: Yes, thank you.

MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Welcome.

MS. GRAHAM: Thank you. Thank you, and I'm looking forward to working with all you guys on this here. Right now, just trying to get my feet wet.

MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Well, we'll help you along the way. We're very happy to have you with us.

1 Muriel, do we have any public comments?

2 MS. JEANTY: No, Madam Chair. We don't have any
3 public comments. Thank you.

4 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Okay. Thank you very much.

5 MR. BAGNER: Madam Chair, if I may? Can I just
6 have one minute for Dane to just give some
7 instructions on our new Zoom since we have a hybrid
8 model we're using for the first time. So, he's here
9 in person. He just wants to give some instructions
10 to those people here in person.

11 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Beautiful. Thank you. I
12 can't hear him. I wonder if he's on mute.

13 DR. BAGNER: Madam Chair, he's just giving
14 directions to those in -- who are here in person,
15 so --

16 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Very well.

17 MR. BAGNER: -- he's just giving them IT
18 directions. It'll be one minute.

19 DANE: Okay. So, the tablet is just for the
20 camera and for the agenda, so if you swipe left and
21 right -- left, you'll see all the different
22 thumbnails of everyone that's in the Zoom.

23 If you want to speak, you're going to unmute
24 here, and then you'll hear everything through the
25 audio in the room. And that's pretty much it. So,

1 here you're just viewing the agenda and so that
2 everyone in the Zoom could see you on the camera
3 through the tablet. So, that's pretty much it.

4 MR. BAGNER: Thank you.

5 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Okay. Thank you.

6 MR. BAGNER: Madam Chair, back to you.

7 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Thank you. Thank you so
8 much. So, on with the show. Let's begin since we
9 have no public comments and we've had a chance to
10 welcome our newest board member. Let's begin with
11 the approval of the minutes.

12 Committee members, I know that by now you've had
13 an opportunity to review the minutes from our last
14 meeting, which believe it or not was not all the way
15 back in October, October 8th, 2020. Do I have -- can
16 -- may I have a motion for approval of the October
17 8th Program Committee Meeting Minutes?

18 MS. DONWORTH: So moved, Donworth.

19 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Thank you, Mary. And a
20 second?

21 MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: Second, Kendrick-Dunn.

22 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Thank you, Tiombe. All
23 those in favor?

24 ALL: Aye.

25 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Any opposed? I forgot I

1 have to give that little window. The minutes are
2 approved. I'm going to begin with a conversation
3 about a funding opportunity that does require a
4 motion and a vote by the program's committee today.

5 Some of you may be aware that the Kellogg
6 Foundation, it has issued in honor of their 90th
7 anniversary -- and this is a foundation that is very,
8 very focused on racial equity. And in fact,
9 identifies racial equity as the primary challenge of
10 our time.

11 And for it's 90th anniversary, the Kellogg
12 Foundation is going to be releasing a total of 90
13 million dollars to organizations that invite, bill,
14 and scale ideas for transformative change in the
15 social, economic, and political systems and
16 institutions that uphold inequities. For decades,
17 this foundation has been committed to advancing
18 racial equity.

19 The Kellogg Foundation is looking for agencies
20 like ours with very strong partnerships for whom
21 community engagement and a focus and commitment to
22 racial equity is literally in our DNA.

23 Now, the Trust would be the lead agency and then
24 would be submitting a response with still -- with
25 community partners that are still being identified

1 and each community partner as identified would enter
2 into a memorandum of understanding with the
3 Children's Trust, and so the program's committee
4 would then come back to you to request approval for
5 the MRU's that are to follow.

6 So, with that I would ask for a motion to
7 approve the Children's Trust to apply for the Kellogg
8 Foundation Racial Equity 2030 Grant.

9 PASTOR DUNN: So moved.

10 MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: So moved.

11 PASTOR DUNN: Dunn.

12 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Okay. Thank you. So, we
13 have Tiombe and was that Pastor Dunn?

14 PASTOR DUNN: Yes.

15 MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: Yes.

16 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Okay. So, we have a first
17 and a second. Any discussion? Hearing none, all
18 those in favor?

19 ALL: Aye.

20 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Are there any opposed? So,
21 this motion carries. Thank you very much. And with
22 that, I'm going to punt to our CEO.

23 DR. BAGNER: Madam Chair, can I just -- I wasn't
24 able to mute myself quick enough, but I did want to
25 make a quick comment that I'm very excited about this

1 proposal and look forward to hearing how -- what we
2 discussed in our meetings related to racial equity,
3 what the Trust does put for -- forward for their
4 application, and I'm very enthusiastic and excited to
5 see what we come up with.

6 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Okay. Thank you so much,
7 Dan. I'm sure that the staff will keep you -- and
8 the writing team will keep you fully informed. Thank
9 you. Any other feedback? I know that that unmuting
10 can sometimes be a little challenging.

11 MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: I have to mention too that
12 I'm -- I just ask, like Dr. Bagner, I'm also very
13 excited about this and look forward to seeing where
14 this leads us as an organization.

15 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Thanks, Tiombe.

16 MS. DONWORTH: I just wanted to ask, when is the
17 grant due? I too am excited. I'm just curious.

18 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: So -- please.

19 MR. BAGNER: Certainly --

20 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Is that Jim?

21 MR. BAGNER: Yes. The third week of February.

22 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Okay.

23 PASTOR DUNN: Through the Chair, I don't want to
24 be redundant, but I couldn't be more excited as well.
25 It couldn't have come at a more applicable time than

1 this. I mean, all we have to do is look at our
2 country right now, so we are right where we need to
3 be. Thank you.

4 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Thank you, Pastor.

5 DR. BENDROSS-MINDINGALL: Madam Chair?

6 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes, Dorothy?

7 DR. BENDROSS-MINDINGALL: You recognize my
8 voice. I thank you.

9 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: I do. It's quite
10 distinctive.

11 DR. BENDROSS-MINDINGALL: I hear that. Thank
12 you. Happy New Year too, everyone and of course,
13 this is something that I'm never going to give up on
14 in terms of what should be happening.

15 And as Dr. Reverend Dunn said, it is so
16 appropriate, and I should add that there are several
17 groups of children in Miami-Dade County Public
18 Schools who have taken this -- the bull by the horn
19 and they are working.

20 We did work some over the holiday, and we'll be
21 getting back together again this month and they're
22 going to be reporting to the school board monthly as
23 to how they are doing in school.

24 This has not gone away. It's been with us for a
25 number of years. I don't know if it'll ever go away,

1 but that doesn't mean that we don't stop bringing
2 about awareness. Thank you, Madam Chair.

3 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Thank you very much. Thank
4 you. And thank you for all that positive feedback.
5 We certainly appreciate it. And Jim, I am going to
6 punt to you now.

7 DR. BAGNER: Madam Chair, this is all just a
8 reminder to all those board members who are on the
9 Zoom call to please keep your cameras on for forum's
10 sake. That we need all the board members who are on
11 the Zoom call to keep your cameras on.

12 So Madame Chair, I just wanted to tee up the
13 next one, the next five resos, all dealing with early
14 childcare which I do every year.

15 And just to remind the Board, the resos A
16 through E that are in front of you will fund over
17 3200 high quality childcare slots for low income
18 families.

19 This is a Trust investment of 3.6 million
20 dollars, but the 3.6 million dollars will allow us to
21 draw down over 28 million dollars from federal and
22 state money for slots for the youth of this
23 community.

24 So, before we go into the five resos, Rachel if
25 you can, just kind of summarize what the Board will

1 be seeing throughout the next board hearing about the
2 next five resos?

3 MS. SPECTOR: Sure. So, the first three
4 resolutions are match funding for the early -- can
5 you hear me?

6 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: You could be a little
7 louder.

8 MS. SPECTOR: Okay. All right. The first three
9 resolutions are for the Early Head Start Childcare
10 Partnership slots which are slots for infants and
11 toddlers throughout our counties. And I'm happy to
12 say that 86 percent of the infants and toddlers have
13 returned to in-person services.

14 There are families that are receiving homebound
15 services and there are families that are still
16 receiving services virtually by choice, but the vast
17 majority of them are back in person.

18 And I just want to take a minute to also thank
19 our partners, the Early Learning Coalition, the
20 Redland Christian Migrant Association, Miami-Dade
21 County, and the United Way because it has been --
22 well, everybody knows it has been a very challenging
23 time.

24 The childcare industry has gone through a lot.
25 They have been continuously supporting not only the

1 childcare providers, the early learning educators,
2 but the families as well, and making sure that the
3 programs are safe. I know many of the agencies --
4 all of the agencies gave out PP equipment along the
5 way as did the Children's Trust.

6 It's been difficult too, you know, keeping
7 teachers employed. A lot of these programs serve
8 very vulnerable children, a lot of children with
9 disabilities in the Head Start program. So far, over
10 ten percent of the children have disabilities.

11 So, everybody has been working really hard to
12 make the educators and the parents feel comfortable
13 to send their children to programs, so I just wanted
14 to let everybody know that.

15 DR. BAGNER: Rachel, thank you. And just --
16 Madam Chair, just to wrap it up, all the slots are
17 being full utilized. And I just want to echo what
18 Rachel said that in any given year, early childhood
19 is difficult.

20 But for this year, I just want to thank our
21 partners, the ones that Rachel mentioned for their
22 work during a very, very difficult year to come
23 through for our children. Thank you.

24 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Thank you, Jim. Thank you
25 very much. And so with that, on to the resolutions.

1 Resolution 2021-A. Authorization to negotiate
2 and execute a contract with Miami-Dade County,
3 Community Action and Human Services Department
4 (CAHSD), for match funding for the federal Early Head
5 Start-Child Care Partnership (EHS-CCP) grant, in a
6 total amount not to exceed \$991,667.00, for a term of
7 14 months, commencing August 1st, 2021, and ending
8 September 30, 2022. May I have a motion, please?

9 MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: So moved, Kendrick-Dunn.

10 DR. BAGNER: Second, Bagner.

11 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Thank you. Are there any
12 recusals? Okay. And as we move into discussion, I
13 will say that I'll dispense with the usual
14 descriptions because Jim and Rachel have given us a
15 really comprehensive overview of the work and the
16 current status of the programs.

17 The floor is open for discussion or comments
18 from the committee. Hearing none, all those -- oops.

19 DR. BAGNER: I'll just -- sorry, I'll just say
20 kind of in line with what we were talking before, and
21 I just commend these efforts, this resolution along
22 with all the other resolutions that are providing
23 really important slots for early childcare targeting
24 the most vulnerable families. I can't think of
25 anything more important we should be doing right now

1 especially during this pandemic, so I commend our
2 efforts.

3 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Thank you, Dan. Thank you.

4 Other comments from the --

5 MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: I just -- what Dr. Bagner
6 was saying. I think the early Head Start Program in
7 particular is something else we have many more slots,
8 but it's a very important program because we know
9 that prevention is best.

10 And early Head Start programs provide critical
11 services to the children from the time they're
12 infants when -- I think before, even then, but to
13 help mitigate some of the issues that we may see
14 later on down the line in the school system.

15 And so I'm really happy to see this because I've
16 seen the consequences, which are all positive early
17 childhood programs such as early Head Start and the
18 only thing I wish is that we had more slots for --
19 in our county.

20 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Thank you, Tiombe. All
21 those in favor?

22 ALL: Aye.

23 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Are there any opposed? The
24 resolution carries. And I'm going to punt to Karen
25 Weller for the next resolution.

1 MS. WELLER: Okay. Resolution 2021-B.
2 Authorization to negotiate and execute contracts with
3 the Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade and Monroe
4 in an amount not to exceed \$758,333.00 and the United
5 Way of Miami-Dade in an amount not to exceed
6 \$408,333.00 for match funding for the federal Early
7 Head Start-Child Care Partnership grant, in a total
8 amount not to exceed \$1,166,666.00 for a term of 14
9 months, commencing August the 1st, 2021, and ending
10 September 30th, 2022. May I have a motion?

11 PASTOR DUNN: Dunn, a motion to move. So moved.

12 DR. BENDROSS-MINDINGALL: Second.

13 MS. WELLER: Thank you. Do I have any recusals?

14 MS. DONWORTH: Donworth, United Way.

15 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Hollingsworth, Early
16 Learning Coalition.

17 MS. WELLER: Okay. All right. As we move into
18 discussion, just so that everyone is aware, this
19 resolution is for match funding that ascribes to the
20 history and programmatic information that was stated
21 in the previous resolution.

22 This will also give the Early Learning
23 Coalition, will have 750 slots and the United Way
24 with 320 slots. Both of these contracts will be
25 renewed for an additional five year funding cycle,

1 and they are right now in the year two of their new
2 federal funding cycle.

3 Just so that everyone is aware that service
4 delivery and outcomes continue to be satisfactory and
5 all the slots have been utilized.

6 And during the pandemic, the children and
7 families were served either in person or virtually.

8 Do we have any other comments or discussion? Okay.
9 Hearing none, all those in favor?

10 ALL: Aye.

11 MS. WELLER: Opposed? The motion carries. I'll
12 turn it back over to Pam.

13 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Thank you, Karen.
14 Resolution 2021-C. Authorization to negotiate and
15 execute a contract with the United Way of Miami-Dade
16 for match funding for the federal Early Head Start-
17 Child Care Partnership (EHS-CCP) grant, in a total
18 amount not to exceed \$490,000.00 for a term of 14
19 months, commencing August 1, 2021, and ending
20 September 30th, 2022. May I have a motion, please?

21 MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: Move it, Kendrick-Dunn.

22 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: And a second?

23 DR. BENDROSS-MINDINGALL: Second.

24 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Thank you. Are there any
25 recusals?

1 MS. DONWORTH: Donworth, United Way.

2 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Thank you. And moving into
3 discussion I will ditto what Karen, Rachel, and Jim
4 indicated previously, and I will add only that this
5 particular match funding is for an expansion grant
6 awarded to the United Way for an additional 200
7 slots. Discussion, comments, from the committee?
8 Hearing none, all those in favor?

9 ALL: Aye.

10 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Are there any opposed? The
11 resolution carries. And let's see, as we go to
12 Resolution D, I'm again punting to Ms. Weller.

13 MS. WELLER: Okay. Resolution 2021-D.
14 Authorization to negotiate and execute a contract
15 with the Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade and
16 Monroe, otherwise known as the ELC, for match funding
17 for the State of Florida Child Care Executive
18 Partnership grant, the CCEP, in a total amount not to
19 exceed \$1,537,500.00 for a term of 15 months,
20 commencing July 1st, 2021, and ending September 30th,
21 2022. May I have a motion?

22 MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: So moved, Kendrick-Dunn.

23 MS. WELLER: Okay. And a second?

24 DR. BAGNER: Second, Bagner.

25 MS. WELLER: Thank you. Any recusals?

1 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Oh, recuse, Hollingsworth.

2 MS. WELLER: Okay. All right. As we move into
3 discussion, the CCEP particular program is a public
4 and private partnership that helps employers meet the
5 needs of working parents.

6 During the past 11 contract periods, the
7 Children's Trust has contributed a dollar for dollar
8 match for this grant, and this match supports
9 childcare services for more than 538 children. Are
10 there any other comments that board members would
11 like to make? Okay. Hearing none, all those in
12 favor?

13 ALL: Aye.

14 MS. WELLER: Opposed? The motion carries. I'll
15 send it back to you.

16 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Thank you, Karen.
17 Resolution 2021-E. Authorization to negotiate and
18 execute a contract with Redlands Christian Migrant
19 Association (RMCA) for local match funding to draw
20 down federal-state funds to subsidize childcare for
21 the working poor, in a total amount not to exceed
22 \$127,500.00, for a term of 15 months, commencing July
23 1, 2021, and ending September 30th, 2021. May I have
24 a motion, please?

25 PASTOR DUNN: So moved, Dunn.

1 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: And a second?

2 MS. WELLER: Second, Weller.

3 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Thank you. Are there any
4 recusals? And as we move into discussion, I will
5 indicate regarding our CMA that is six percent local
6 matches required to draw down the portion of
7 childcare subsidy funds allocated for working poor
8 farm worker families.

9 Each matched dollar drives down \$16 from the
10 Office of Early Learning (ph), leading to more than a
11 two million draw down for the \$127,500.00 that is
12 requested, and that will cover more than 200 slots
13 estimated at about \$4,000 each.

14 And throughout the year, parents are required to
15 contribute a co-pay of an additional approximately a
16 hundred -- \$1,000.00, and RCMA will serve
17 approximately 687 children during this contract year.
18 Feedback, comments, discussion from the committee?
19 Hearing none, all those in favor?

20 ALL: Aye.

21 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Are there any opposed? The
22 resolution carries. Resolution 2021-F.
23 Authorization to negotiate and execute a one-time
24 match contract with Voices For Children Foundation,
25 Inc., in a total amount not to exceed \$95,000.00 for

1 a term of eight months, commencing February 1, 2021,
2 and ending September 30th, 2021. May I have a
3 motion, please?

4 DR. BENDROSS-MINDINGALL: Move it.

5 MS. DONWORTH: Second, Donworth.

6 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Okay. Very well. Any
7 recusals?

8 MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: I have a question.

9 MS. JEANTY: Laura? Thank you.

10 MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: Do I need to recuse from
11 this one because I think I want to say if I'm not
12 mistaken the school district is somehow involved or
13 the services.

14 DR. BAGNER: Tiombe, you do not need to recuse.

15 MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: Okay. Thank you.

16 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Terrific. Then no recusals.

17 Moving into discussion, I'm sure that all of you are
18 aware of the Guardian Ad Litem Program, which is a
19 powerful and effective voice advocating for the best
20 interest of Florida's abused, abandoned, and
21 neglected children.

22 The program uses volunteer child advocates
23 managed by a professional staff to speak on behalf of
24 children who have experienced abuse, abandonment, and
25 neglect.

1 Now, this funded collaboration project seeks to
2 support the continued management and implementation
3 of the core functions of the Miami-Dade GAL, and
4 funds from the Trust will help pay salaries of GAL's
5 coordinating staff and provide additional resources
6 for youth in foster care.

7 This funded collaboration project includes the
8 Shipley Foundation who will also contribute \$250,000
9 through this grant, and for every dollar the
10 Children's Trust invests in this project, \$2.63 are
11 leveraged in return. Further discussion, feedback
12 from the committee? Hearing none, all those in
13 favor?

14 ALL: Aye.

15 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Any opposed? The resolution
16 carries. Resolution 2021-G. Authorization to
17 execute a contract amendment with Florida Introduces
18 Physical Activity and Nutrition to Youth, Inc.
19 (FLIPANY), to remove a contract -- a subcontractor in
20 Contract 2114-4450. May I have a motion, please?

21 DR. BENDROSS-MINDINGALL: Move it.

22 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Thank you. And a second?

23 MS. WELLER: Second, Weller.

24 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Are there any recusals? And
25 moving into discussion, FLIPANY operates an after

1 school program five days a week, Monday through
2 Friday, following the Miami-Dade County Public School
3 calendar schedule as well as a summer program that
4 runs five days a week for ten weeks.

5 With this resolution, we are simply removing the
6 Star Support Foundation, Inc. from the contract and
7 FLIPANY, which is the lead agency, will provide all
8 services previously provided by Star Support
9 Foundation, Inc. May I have a motion, please? Oh,
10 we actually did that. Discussion? Any further
11 discussion or feedback from our committee? Hearing
12 non, all those in favor?

13 ALL: Aye.

14 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Any opposed? The resolution
15 carries. And our final resolution of this afternoon.
16 Authorization to release a request for
17 qualifications, (RFQ) competitive solicitation for
18 the development of The Children's Trust website. May
19 I have a motion, please?

20 MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: So moved, Kendrick-Dunn.

21 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Thank you, and a second?

22 PASTOR DUNN: Second, Richard Dunn.

23 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Thank you. Are there any
24 recusals? And briefly, as we move into discussion,
25 this resolution will authorize the Trust to release a

1 competitor RFQ, and they will -- for the development
2 of the Trust Website Solution, a website and portal
3 that will integrate with two existing platforms and
4 develop a new area.

5 One again, is Trust Central. The other is Stay
6 Home Miami, and the third will be a new content
7 platform that will contain general public access to
8 information pertinent to the Children's Trust
9 including its legal authority, public calendars, and
10 meeting postings, as well as general solicitations,
11 and procurement resources and community data.

12 In advance of the release of the solicitation,
13 the Trust conducted an in-house user experience
14 analysis to the current website to identify areas
15 that could be improved. It's expected that a few
16 will be released right around the first of March with
17 a contract start date of July 2021. The new website
18 should launch in early 2022. Further discussion? A
19 question from the committee?

20 PASTOR DUNN: Through the Chair?

21 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes, Pastor.

22 PASTOR DUNN: Given the era that we're in now,
23 it's incumbent upon all of us to, and we'll use this
24 term, "up our game," when it comes to the social
25 media platforms.

1 And so, I see this as a vitally important
2 initiative because we need to make sure that we can
3 stay lock, step, and key and even beyond that with
4 the era that we're in now, and this is the new norm
5 for all of us.

6 An old man like me had to up my game at my
7 church because if I didn't, I may not have a church
8 right now. So, I had to do some things. Thank God
9 for my young sons who said, "Pop's, you got to get on
10 social media. You got to do YouTube, so you got to
11 improve the website."

12 So, anything that can make it more clearer for
13 us and others to see where we can make our points and
14 for people who are looking on our sites to be able to
15 operate, I think is a bonus so for me this is a no
16 brainer.

17 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Thank you very much. Any
18 other comments? Hearing none, all those in favor?

19 ALL: Aye.

20 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Are there any opposed? The
21 resolution carries, and I'm sending it back to you,
22 Mr. CEO.

23 DR. BAGNER: Madam Chair, thank you. Just two
24 brief comments. Happy New Year to everybody. It's
25 beautiful to see -- it's been months since I think

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1 we've all got together and get to see people in
2 person. Thank you for those who are showing up and
3 everybody else who are participating via Zoom.

4 But I really, you know, this is a first for us,
5 doing this hybrid, and I just want to really thank
6 the Ops team and IT team. We have three people from
7 Ops here and IT team.

8 It seems kind of simple what we're doing right
9 now, but it really took the last six weeks or two
10 months trying to plan this thing out and doing dry
11 runs and planning for the board meeting.

12 So, those from Ops who are here, and Dane and
13 our IT team behind the scenes, thank you very much
14 for your time and effort in making this flawless.

15 Thank you.

16 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Thank you. Thank you, Jim,
17 and hats off to the IT team and the Ops team. I
18 think today's meeting went extremely smoothly. I
19 look forward to the time when I can be there in
20 person with everyone. And with that ladies and
21 gentlemen, we are adjourned.

22 DR. BENDROSS-MINDINGALL: Thank you, Madam
23 Chair.

24 DR. BAGNER: Thank you.

25 PASTOR DUNN: Thank you.

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MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Thank you.
(Whereupon, at 4:01 p.m., the meeting was
adjourned.)

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