

# **CITIZENS' COALITION FOR MIAMI-DADE PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

## **Minutes of October 16, 2023 – In-Person and Zoom Meeting**

The October 16, 2023, meeting of the Citizens' Coalition for Miami-Dade Public Schools (M-DCPS) was called to order at noon by Mr. Enrique Escallon.

### **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

#### **In-Person Participants**

Mr. Enrique Escallon (Chair)  
Ms. Meriel C. Seymore (Treasurer)  
Ms. Aillette Rodriguez-Diaz  
Mr. Douglas Clark

#### **Zoom Participants**

Mr. Mark Needle

### **MINUTES**

Mr. Escallon informed the committee did not meet quorum to approve the previous meeting.

### **MEMBERSHIP/TREASURER'S REPORT**

- Ms. Meriel C. Seymore, Treasurer, shared that there have not been any changes to the finances and to the membership.

### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

Ms. Aillette Rodriguez-Diaz informed the committee of the Departments community engagement alignment and provided legislative updates.

### **LEGISLATIVE UPDATES**

- Ms. Rodriguez provided an update to the MDCPS State Legislative program, which includes the amendment brought forth by School Board Member Luisa Santos.
- Ms. Rodriguez also mentioned to the committee that the Intergovernmental Affairs Website will also update both Legislative Programs.
- Ms. Rodriguez stated that we are exploring the possibility of including a Bill Tracker to the Intergovernmental Affairs website, along with other tools to assist members of the committee.
- Mr. Escallon provided a suggestion for the bill tracker, so they take you directly to the bill and have the list of bills we are tracking.
- Ms. Rodriguez provided answers to questions that were proposed in the last meeting.
- Mr. Needle stated he did not have any updates but is available for any questions that may be presented by the committee.
- Mr. Escallon provided the dates for the upcoming Citizen Coalition Meetings.

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**FLOOR WAS OPEN FOR QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION**

**UPCOMING MEETING**

- The next Citizens' Coalition meeting will be held on Monday, November 13, 2023

**MEETING ADJOURNED**

- Meeting was adjourned at 1:00 P.M.