



Nominating Committee Meeting

January 22, 2019

3250 S.W. 3rd Avenue (Coral Way)

United Way - Conference Room A

3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

AGENDA

Board of Directors

Kenneth C. Hoffman
Chair
Steve Hope
Treasurer
Karen Weller
Secretary

3:30 p.m.

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Rodester Brandon
Committee Chair

3:35 p.m.

Vacant Vice-Chair Position

James R. Haj
President & CEO
Rodester Brandon
Committee Chair

Magaly Abrahante, Ph.D.

Laura Adams

Daniel Bagner, Ph.D.

Sanford Bohrer

Rodester Brandon

Constance Collins

Mary Donworth

Richard P. Dunn II

Rep. Nicholas Duran

Dr. Antonia Eyssallenne

Gilda Ferradaz

Lourdes P. Gimenez

Nicole Gomez

Mindy Grimes-Festge

Nelson Hincapie

Pamela Hollingsworth

Tiombe Bisa Kendrick-Dunn

Maurice Kemp

Nancy Lawther, Ph.D.

Marissa Leichter

Frank Manning

Susan Neimand, Ph.D.

Marta Pérez, Ph.D.

Judge Orlando Prescott

Javier Reyes

Hon. Isaac Salver

Com. Xavier L. Suarez

Mark Trowbridge

Rita Vega

3:50 p.m.

Any Other Business

Rodester Brandon
Committee Chair

4:00 p.m.

Adjourn

Rodester Brandon
Committee Chair

David Lawrence Jr.
Founding Chair

James R. Haj
President & CEO

County Attorney's Office
Legal Counsel

The public is allowed to comment on a specific agenda item but must register with the Clerk of the Board prior to being allowed to comment.

Submission for the Position of Vice-Chair

The Children's Trust

Mark A. Trowbridge

Coalition of Miami-Dade Chambers of Commerce

To the members of the Nominating Committee, I am pleased to submit my name and credentials for the position of Vice Chair of the Board of The Children's Trust.

What is your vision for serving as the Vice-Chair of The Children's Trust.

My vision is quite simple. I view the Vice-Chair's role as one of supporting our leader and Chairman, taking on assigned tasks in conjunction with fellow Board members and Executive Committee members, and working behind the scenes with staff on any initiatives that are of benefit to The Children's Trust, our clients and funders.

Having served as the Chair of the HR Committee this past year, I have enjoyed a closer working relationship with our previous Chair and CEO. I also understand the role of a Vice Chair as a member of the Executive Committee, and the subtle nuances required to be a successful working team member, quiet counsel and bold cheerleader at the same time.

In my role at our Chamber, I staff a Board of 40 individuals, including an Executive Committee of 15, and work closely in tandem with each officer. This requires patience, collegiality, candor, accountability and of course, authentic leadership. These are skills I hope to bring to the table in the role of Vice-Chair.

Given the outstanding professional nature of our staff, the roles of the Executive Committee members are free to be focused on our core mission and of course, our constituents. I look forward to lending my voice and expertise to this group going forward.

Given the time commitment and responsibilities of this position, please describe your abilities to fulfill the duties of this role.

The opportunity for the Coalition of Miami-Dade Chambers of Commerce to have a permanent seat on The Children's Trust is not something I – or my colleagues – take lightly. It is, in my estimation, time for us to step-up further and assume a stronger, more visible leadership role on The Children's Trust.

And yes, while we have active organizations, it has become clear to me over the last three years, how critical our Children's Trust is to Greater Miami and to our State. We are leaders among our peers and with ever-growing needs – and new CSCs – there is more work to be done and I want to be at the forefront of that opportunity.

Thus, it will be my priority to make myself available for these new duties if appointed Vice-Chair and to be a dedicated leader on our Board.