

Board of Directors Meeting

July 20, 2020

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1	THE CHIILDREN'S TRUST
2	BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
3	BOARD TELECONFERENCE
4	"VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM WEBINAR"
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6	The Children's Trust Board of Directors
7	Meeting was held on July 20, 2020, commencing at
8	4:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by
9	Kenneth Hoffman, Chair.
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11	BOARD MEMBERS:
12	Kenneth C. Hoffman, Chair
13	Mark A. Trowbridge, Vice-Chair
14	Steve Hope, Treasurer
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19	Dr. Daniel Bagner
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21	Constance Collins
22	Mary Donworth
23	Hon. Juan Fernandez-Barquin
24	Gilda Ferradaz
25	Lourdes P. Gimenez

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2	Nicole Gomez			
3	Mindy Grimes-Festge			
4	Nelson Hincapie			
5	Pamela Hollingsworth			
6	Dr. Monique Jimenez-Herrer	а		
7	Tiombe-Bisa Kendrick-Dunn			
8	Marissa Leichter			
9	Frank Manning			
10	Dr. Susan Neimand			
11	Javier Reyes			
12	Emily Rosendo			
13	Hon. Isaac Salver			
14	Sandra West			
15	Shanika Graves			
16	Leigh Kobrinski			
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18	STAFF:			
19	Bevone Ritchie			
20	Carol Brogan			
21	Diane Beltre			
22	Donovan Lee-Sin			
23	Felix Becerra			
24	Imran Ali			
25	James Haj			

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1	STAFF (continued):					
2	Joanna Revelo					
3	Jorge Gonzalez					
4	Juana Leon					
5	Juliette Fabien					
6	Kathleen Dexter					
7	Lisanne Gage					
8	Lisete Yero					
9	Lori Hanson					
10	Maria-Paula Garcia					
11	Molly O'Doherty					
12	Muriel Jeanty					
13	Patricia Leal					
14	Rachel Spector					
15	Sabine Dulcio					
16	Samuel McKinnon					
17	Sandra Camacho					
18	Sebastian del Marmol					
19	Sheryl Borg					
20	Stephanie Sylvestre					
21	Susan Marian					
22	Victoria Cividini					
23	Vivianne Bohorques					
24	Wendy Duncombe					
25	William Kirtland					

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1	STAFF (continued):			
2	Willmeisha Hall			
3	Ximena Nunez			
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5	GUESTS:			
6	Leonie Hermantin, Hermantii	n Consulting, LLC		
7	Demetria Henderson, Comm	issioners		
8	Isabelle Castillo, T&D			
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1	PROCEEDINGS
2	(Recording of the meeting began at 4:00 p.m.)
3	MR. HOFFMAN: Okay, it's 4:00 p.m., we're
4	bringing the meeting to order. Welcome everybody.
5	First, I wanted to thank all the board members who
6	attended and participated in the second meeting of the
7	Racial Equities and Social Justice Ad Hoc Committee
8	held last Monday. We had a great turnout. More than
9	16 board members have volunteered to be on the
10	committee. And we were led in the meeting by our
11	Committee Chair, Tiombe Kendrick-Dunn and Leanne
12	Buchanan, a facilitator, made a discussion that
13	primarily centered around the purpose, vision and
14	strategy of the committee.
15	Tiombe, would you like to add anything?
16	MR. HOFFMAN: Okay, I don't know if Tiombe is on
17	this call, but if she wants to share anything, now
18	please.
19	MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: I'm here.
20	MR. HOFFMAN: Oh, go ahead. Thank you.
21	MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: I'm sorry, my computer was
22	not being cooperative. Can you repeat that, because I
23	didn't even hear what was happening before?
24	MR. HOFFMAN: No, I just mentioned that we had
25	another meeting of the committee, of which you're

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1	chair, last Monday, and just briefly what happened. I
2	just wanted to know if you wanted to share anything
3	else with the whole Board at this time.
4	MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: I guess I'll just share
5	briefly that we had our first Ad Hoc Committee Meeting
6	and I think that the meeting went wonderfully. We
7	were able to just have a discussion, work through a
8	couple of activities and just begin the conversation
9	about what we're going to address and work on. And so
10	I think we had really great feedback from both board
11	members and staff and we look forward to future
12	meetings. So I think it went pretty well.
13	MR. HOFFMAN: Good. Thank you, Tiombe.
14	Next, I wanted to share with the board that we
15	have eight summer youth interns at The Trust. They've
16	been there since early July and are with us until
17	August 3rd. Donavan Sin heads up the summer program,
18	which includes the formal projects, guest speakers
19	such as Florida House Representatives Salutis
20	[phonetic] and own Board member Juan Fernandez-
21	Barquin. The youth interns have discussions on a
22	variety of topics. They have mock interviews, discuss
23	the art of negotiating and other opportunities that
24	we're able to give them.
25	Donavan, would you like to share anything about

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1	the youth internship?			
2	MR. LEE-SIN: Sure. Thank you, I	Mr. Chair.		
3	First of all, I think we are thankful f	or our		
4	partners in this work, Miami-Dade Co	unty, Miami-Da	ade	
5	County Public Schools, the Foundatio	n for New		
6	Education Initiatives. Their collective	effort has		
7	allowed us to push forward even under	er a difficult		
8	circumstances with having a summer	internship pro	gram.	
9	The program started July 1st and v	will end Augus	t	
10	5th. While this is no ordinary summe	r, we have ove	er	
11	2,000 interns enrolled in work experie	ence all across	3	
12	the county. In years gone by, under	typical operati	ng	
13	experiences, we would have had son	newhere close	between	
14	the neighborhood of 700 or 800 empl	loyers employi	ng our	
15	interns. This year we have a little bit	over 350, but		
16	they're hiring more interns. And 95 p	ercent of our		
17	internship experiences across the bo	ard are remote	9	
18	internships where all of our students,	like most of		
19	us, are working from home on projec	t-based work.	The	
20	other five percent are hybrid, where s	some students	may	
21	report to their employer once a week	or 10 days or	SO,	
22	for direct project work and then they	deliver it once		
23	they return back to the workplace.			
24	For students, the school district pr	ovided masks		
25	and has continued to provide masks	for all students	8	

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1	who may have to report to a workplace. And so far,
2	although we are at over 2,000 students enrolled, and
3	we had hoped to be, you know, in a typical operating
4	time, we had hoped to be well beyond that, we're
5	thankful and are excited by the talent that the kids
6	are bringing to our workforce.
7	MR. HOFFMAN: Thank you, Donavan.
8	Next, we're going to share a brief video that
9	highlights the 2019, 2020 year for The Children's
10	Trust Youth Advisory Committee, otherwise known as the
11	YAC. The YAC is a youth leadership program open to
12	all Miami-Dade high school students. Its designed to
13	nurture the next generation of change makers committed
14	to positive change in themselves, the community and
15	the world.
16	The YAC has regular meetings, advocacy trainings,
17	firsthand service learning experiences, and among
18	other things, in addition to those, they have a yearly
19	trip to Tallahassee during Florida's Children's Week.
20	It is at the capital. Meet with legislatures and
21	experience political process firsthand. This is the
22	16th year that The Children's Trust has had the YAC
23	program. Over nearly 500 students are registered,
24	which approximately 300 are actively engaged at any
25	one time.

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1	So, why don't you roll the video and then
2	(Thereupon, requested video was played.)
3	MR. HOFFMAN: What a great way to get our
4	students engaged, both in community activity,
5	community advocacy, but also to introduce them to the
6	government process. And I did also thank staff
7	members who are involved in that, and Mark Trowbridge
8	for acting as the chaperone for the Tallahassee trip.
9	Finally, included in your board package for this
10	month is a schedule of the board and committee meeting
11	dates for the next fiscal year. Please make note of
12	the dates and times on your calendars. I'm sure
13	Muriel will be sending you reminds as usual.
14	Speaking of Muriel, do we have any public
15	comments?
16	MS. JEANTY: No, Chair, we don't have any public
17	comments.
18	MR. HOFFMAN: Okay, then I will turn the meeting
19	over to our secretary, Karen Weller, for the minutes
20	at the last meeting.
21	MS. WELLER: Sure. The Board of Directors met
22	virtually on Monday, June 15. The minutes can be
23	found on page 4 through 6 of the packet. Hopefully
24	everyone had an opportunity to review.
25	May I have a motion for approval?

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1	MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: So moved, Hollingsworth.	
2	MS. WELLER: Thank you, Pam.	
3	And a second?	
4	MR. TROWBRIDGE: Second, Trowbridge.	
5	MS. WELLER: Thank you.	
6	All those in favor?	
7	(WHEREUPON, the committee members all responded	
8	with "aye.")	
9	MS. WELLER: The motion carries, Mr. Chair.	
10	MR. HOFFMAN: Okay, thank you.	
11	Is Steve Hope online with us?	
12	MR. HOPE: Yes, sir. Can you hear me clearly?	
13	MR. HOFFMAN: You're on.	
14	MR. HOPE: Good afternoon, everyone. Happy	
15	Monday. So I will convey the Finance and Operations	
16	Committee report. So the Finance Committee met on	
17	June 30th to review the financial reports to be	
18	presented to the board for the July meeting. One of	
19	the key things that we discussed at that meeting, in	
20	addition to the resolution, was the review of the	
21	preliminary millage rate.	
22	The draft budget schedule, Will previously	
23	prevented to the Finance Committee on June 4th and to	
24	the board on June 15th. And on the draft, and	
25	subsequently at the June 30th meeting, the draft	

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1	budget presented the proposed millage rate was .4478.			
2	The budget represents a total of \$138,250,593 with			
3	total expenditure with \$172,908,251. And a projected			
4	ending fund balance of \$18,691,776. The proposed			
5	millage rate of .4478 represents the estimated roll			
6	back rate and do not represent a tax increase. The			
7	proposed rate is intended to generate the same revenue			
8	as the previous year, i.e., \$138,250,593. So there			
9	has been no subsequent changes since the last			
10	presentation.			
11	The fiscal year budget for 2020/2021 before you			
12	today represents the final preliminary budget to be			
13	discussed, modified or approved. The first TRIM			
14	meeting is scheduled for September 14th at which the			
15	budget will be represented for approval. So I will			
16	now turn over to the CEO to provide some additional			
17	information on this subject.			
18	Jim?			
19	MR. HAJ: Steve, thank you, I think you've covered			
20	it exceptionally well.			
21	The attachment that's in your package, the three			
22	attachments on pages 7, 8 and 9, page 7 is attachment			
23	A, and that is the budget that will be advertised			
24	after today's meeting that will go into TRIM. Page 2,			
25	page 8 which is the second page, displays the fund			

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1	balance. Page 3 really is the breakdown of the CORE
2	strategies. Staff has been working with the Finance
3	Committee for the past three years developing a long-
4	term projection for the five-year cycle as well as
5	individual one-year strategies.
6	So the proposed budget that is in front of you,
7	that Steve has stated was shown to the committee
8	several times, this is the exact budget that was shown
9	at last month's Board meeting and it was emailed to
10	all Board members. The only thing different is the
11	millage rate, it was a roll back rate was used, but
12	when we got the final rates in July 1, that was
13	adjusted slightly.
14	Vivianne, if you can pull up the one-page
15	highlight report, please?
16	So on the second page, since the beginning of
17	this funding cycle, we're on a five-year cycle
18	effective October 18, we committed additional over \$35
19	million annually to this cycle, which is a \$162.4
20	million over the five-year cycle, an additional
21	earmark for our programs in this Committee. This
22	five-year commitment continues to emphasize the
23	importance of spending in critical areas for children
24	and families in our community.
25	And just to remind the board, for the last three

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1	months you've approved many things, but it was also an			
2	increase in our strategic plan of \$6 million annually			
3	for program services and parenting, early childhood			
4	development, child development, family and			
5	neighborhood supports caused by this pandemic. The			
6	total budgeted for services is \$157,544,000. And the			
7	TRIM revenues and millage, as Steve has stated, the			
8	tax roll is \$326,562,502,890. And the proposed			
9	millage rate that's shown in your package is the roll			
10	back rate. If The Trust adopts the roll back rate,			
11	then The Trust is not increasing taxes even if the			
12	rate itself increases. That's because the roll back			
13	rate calculates taxable property values in relation to			
14	the total revenue. If the tax rate generates the same			
15	total revenue one year as it did in the previous year,			
16	then the roll back rate has been applied. So you see			
17	the total TRIM revenues.			
18	What we're very proud of is the efficiency for			
19	GNA. So the 2020 budget reflects GNA expenses of			
20	6.23, which is an all-time low in the 17 plus years of			
21	The Trust. It also reflects a .03 percent decrease			
22	from the prior year. And in Trust history, this is			
23	the lowest management expense ratio and the largest			
24	investment that we have put out in the community and			
25	program services. The budget and millage, again,			

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1	whatever is adopted today will be going, will be			
2	advertised and brought to the two TRIM dates in			
3	September 14 and September 21.			
4	Thank you, Mr. Chair.			
5	MALE VOICE: May I clarify just a couple of			
6	points, Mr. Chair?			
7	Can you hear me okay?			
8	MR. HOFFMAN: Yes, of course you may.			
9	MALE VOICE: Okay. Great.			
10	I just wanted to state that when we presented the			
11	budget last time to the Finance and Operations			
12	Committee, were exceptional circumstances, we had the			
13	meeting on June 30th to present this budget before			
14	coming to the full Board. What made the circumstance			
15	unusual was that meeting was about a day earlier or so			
16	when we received the Property Appraiser's Office final			
17	assessment of total property value. So thus at that			
18	date, we did not quite know what the exact millage			
19	rate would need to be for it to equate to the roll of			
20	that rate.			
21	So subsequent to the meeting, about a day or two			
22	later, we were able to finalize the calculations of			
23	what the roll back rate was. So as the numbers that			
24	Steve had read off at the beginning of this			
25	presentation about the revenue and expenditures and so			

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1	forth, the expenditures stayed consistent with what			
2	was presented in that meeting. There was no			
3	adjustments made to our expenditures. And the roll			
4	back rate was adjusted from the rate that he had			
5	mentioned at that 447 to .4507, which is the rate			
6	that's presented in the schedule today, explaining the			
7	revenue of a total of a \$139.8 million.			
8	MR. HOFFMAN: Thank you.			
9	Steve, back to you.			
10	MR. HOPE: Thanks for the correction, my apology.			
11	Okay, so the recommendation of the Finance and			
12	Operations Committee for a proposed millage rate of			
13	\$0.4507 for fiscal year 2021. And we're recommending			
14	that the board accept the recommendation of the			
15	Finance and Operation Committee to set the fiscal year			
16	2021 proposed millage rate of 0.457 mills, which is			
17	the equivalent of .4507 dollars per \$1,000 of property			
18	tax value in Miami-Dade County.			
19	Secondly, the fiscal year 2020-2021 proposed			
20	budget includes estimates of \$139,822,634 of tax			
21	revenues, \$172,908,251 of expenditures and a projected			
22	ending fund balance of \$20,263,817.			
23	Can I get a motion, please?			
24	MR. SALVER: I'll move it, Salver.			
25	MR. HOPE: Can I have a second, please?			

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1	MS. BENDROSS-MINDINGALL: Second, Bendross-		
2	Mindingall.		
3	MR. HOPE: Thank you.		
4	Any recusals?		
5	(NO VERBAL RESPONSE)		
6	MR. HOPE: Before voting, I will open it up for		
7	discussion.		
8	Any discussion?		
9	MS. COLLINS: Hello? I'm not sure if you can see		
10	me.		
11	MR. HOFFMAN: We can see you, go ahead.		
12	MS. COLLINS: Okay. Thanks.		
13	This is Constance Collins with Lotus House		
14	Women's Shelter. Forgive me, please, for what I'm		
15	about to say, Steve, Jim and Ken. Contrary to the		
16	initial deliberation of the Finance Committee, when		
17	the question of the millage rate came before the		
18	Finance Committee, I raised my hand at the time to say		
19	I think these are unprecedented times in which		
20	children and families are facing unprecedented		
21	challenges and perhaps we should use the full		
22	resources of the current millage rate, that is the		
23	rate we used last year, to invest more deeply in those		
24	impacted by the pandemic. The poorest children in our		
25	community, children and families of color and other		
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1	marginalized children.			
2	If we do not reduce the rate as contemplated by			
3	the budget, I'm advised The Trust will have an			
4	additional \$5.4 million in additional tax revenues to			
5	deploy. The average cost of property owners would be			
6	only a few dollars. I listened to the countervailing			
7	voices at The Finance Committee advocating for a tax			
8	reduction in these times, raising the specter of			
9	uncollectability and the notion that we should hold			
10	fast to our previous established five year plan			
11	because holding steady has brought us successfully to			
12	this moment. And no doubt there have been enormous			
13	successes.			
14	But since then I have really had to ask myself			
15	what is this moment. I believe we as a country and a			
16	community are in crisis. And we are at a crossroads			
17	that demands immediate and directed action. We can			
18	and I believe must respond proactively to provide			
19	additional targeted resources for the benefit of			
20	children of color and other marginalized children in			
21	our community for being disproportionately adversely			
22	impacted by this pandemic.			
23	We are on the prefaces of a second great			
24	depression with millions of people, \$51 million at			
25	last count having lost their jobs. Evictions			

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1	temporarily on hold are lifting and countless children			
2	and families are standing at the prefaces of			
3	homelessness all across this country and our			
4	community. Homelessness is traumatic for anyone,			
5	especially so for children in the loss of friends,			
6	extended family, neighborhood ties, the loss of			
7	personal possessions, safety and security. The loss			
8	of a bed on which a child will lay at night. Life as			
9	we have known it is being ripped away in poor and			
10	working class neighborhoods with unprecedented speed.			
11	With businesses closed and closing. Public schools			
12	closed and uncertain if they will reopen or opening			
13	online. Childcare facilities closed. Summer camps,			
14	virtual are closed. Food is scarce and hunger is not			
15	in poor neighborhoods like Overtown where we are. The			
16	landscape is looking more bleak by the day all across			
17	our community.			
18	Nearly everyone on this call has the privilege of			
19	hearing The Trust Safer At Home PSA and being grateful			
20	for having one. Some have even had the luxury of			
21	quarantining, working remotely and schooling their			
22	children from home. I want to say that experience is			
23	for the privileged in our community. Children and			
24	families with resources, certain not the children and			
25	families we serve at our shelter. The notion of			

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1	remote work and online schooling is illusory when you			
2	have no home or are on the verge of losing it. the			
3	same is true for children and families of countless			
4	essential workers, first responders, healthcare			
5	workers, transit, grocery stores, restaurants and			
6	more. Poor and working-class people all across our			
7	community could not shelter at home. They were like			
8	us, working harder than ever, putting their lives on			
9	the line and struggling to provide for their children			
10	in these scary and uncertain times.			
11	Throughout this pandemic, Lotus House had no			
12	choice but to remain open and fully operational,			
13	because in these times, shelter is needed more than			
14	ever. The National Alliance to End Homelessness warns			
15	that those living on the streets who become infected			
16	with the virus are two to three times more likely to			
17	die than the general population. For women and			
18	children fleeing domestic violence or who have no			
19	home, shelter is nothing short of life saving. And			
20	yet I cannot begin to express in words the challenges			
21	we face and continue to face in sheltering 480 women			
22	and children nightly through this pandemic. So much			
23	so that I moved into our shelter for three months.			
24	Crisis normalize has become our every day. With			
25	the inevitable positive tests, contact tracing and			

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1	congregant environments. Struggling to keep your teen			
2	focused and fearless. The constant vigilance needed			
3	to operate and costly new technology. The imperative			
4	to stay safe in an unsafe world. We had to pivot,			
5	adapt, change, innovate and learn on a fly. It was			
6	and continues to be daunting. In the end, we are			
7	figuring out to operate when we're most needed. How			
8	to homeschool our children, how to provide their			
9	summer programming, the therapeutic supports called			
10	for in these uncertain times. And how to advance the			
11	health and safety of everyone.			
12	We persevered because lives are in the balance			
13	and we, like poor and marginalized children and			
14	families all across our community, do not have the			
15	luxury to do otherwise. This wrenching experience has			
16	given us a unique advantage point into the needs of			
17	the children and families lacking in resources. And			
18	the stressors faced by all providers who remain			
19	operational during this pandemic. All of The Trust			
20	providers are going or will go through the same, and			
21	they will need our added support if they are to			
22	survive and offer meaningful supports to our			
23	communities children.			
24	Moreover, the pandemic will hit hardest as ever			
25	the children of color, children with disabilities and			

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1	specialized needs, and other marginalized children.			
2	The gaps in education, healthcare, housing and			
3	ultimately success in workplace and life for these			
4	children are widening before our very eyes. If we are			
5	to reckon with the huge social and racial inequities			
6	in our community, disparities of centuries of			
7	pervasive and persistent racism, discrimination and			
8	oppression. And we cannot do what we have always done			
9	in this moment. We can and must invest more deeply in			
10	targeted ways to truly make a difference for the			
11	children with the least, who will need the added			
12	support of The Children's Trust.			
13	Our hope, I hope for our country and our			
14	community that we are finally reckoning more deeply			
15	with the impacts of racism, oppression and			
16	marginalization of persons of color, the LGBTQ			
17	community, gender based violence and discrimination.			
18	It's not accident that 95 percent of those we shelter			
19	at Lotus House over the past 15 years are person of			
20	color who lack meaningful access to safe and			
21	affordable housing, high quality extended childcare,			
22	and meaningful and educational work opportunities.			
23	The time to heal and redress centuries of racial and			
24	social inequities and injustice is now. A debt is			
25	owed and an honest conversation is overdue. But there			

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1	must be more than conversation. There must be action.			
2	We can start by not reducing the millage rate at			
3	a time when the revenues are most needed. And			
4	dedicating those resources to redress the deepening			
5	racial and social inequities in this pandemic. How			
6	those additional resources will be deployed is			
7	something which the board's Ad Hoc Committee on Racial			
8	and Social Justice and The Program Services Committee			
9	can offer valuable insight to The Children's Trust			
10	team. The right questions can be asked and answers			
11	explored by those with lived experience and expertise.			
12	But one thing is clear, innovation and immediate			
13	action are essential because calls for racial and			
14	social justice are hollow, unless backed by meaningful			
15	resources targeted to end disparities.			
16	I urge this Board to recognize, in these			
17	unprecedented times, unprecedented action is called			
18	for. Keep the millage rate the same as it was last			
19	year, .4680 and target the additional resources to			
20	redress disparities that marginalize children are			
21	suffering right now in every aspect of their lives.			
22	Of course more is needed, but this is a critical			
23	moment for us to act. The important work and mission			
24	of The Children's Trust is needed more than ever.			
25	Thank you. And I hope this sparks and a conversation,			

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1	and more than that, action.			
2	MR. HOPE: Thank you, ma'am.			
3	Any further contribution on the subject?			
4	MR. SALVER: Steve?			
5	MR. HOPE: Yes, sir?			
6	MR. SALVER: Just for the benefit of the Board of			
7	Directors, I just want to, just share the fact that			
8	the Finance Committee debate this matter and it wasn't			
9	a quick debate, it was a lengthy debate. And the vast			
10	majority of The Finance Committee recommended exactly			
11	what Staff is recommending, the 4.507 millage rate,			
12	which happens to be higher than the original roll			
13	back. So The Trust is getting additional money from			
14	the upward adjustment of the millage rate. So I'm			
15	going to recommend, as the former chairman of the			
16	Finance Committee and a current member of the Finance			
17	Committee, to accept the Staff's recommendation.			
18	MR. HOPE: Thank you, sir.			
19	Any other contribution to the subject?			
20	MR. HOFFMAN: I'd like to note from Bill what the			
21	difference in funding that's suggested by the, request			
22	made by Constance would be.			
23	MR. BILL: Keeping the millage rate the same, at			
24	.4680, would levy approximately an additional \$5.3			
25	million. Bringing our estimated total ad valorem tax			

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1	revenues to around \$145 million, a little bit more
2	than that.
3	MR. HOFFMAN: Certainly, as a Board, I think
4	we're all cognizant of what's going on in our
5	community and the tremendous needs that have been
6	developed as a result of not just existing conditions
7	in the community, but the pandemic. I think that the
8	one point that I brought to the Finance Committee and
9	Staff, it's not we do have additional resources. We
10	still have a fund balance that we've been drawing
11	down. I think that bringing more money in the
12	crawfords (sic) it's not self-apparent that we can
13	spend it responsibly, looking at the processes that we
14	have in a short period of time. So I would say that
15	in my view, I think that we should be putting as much
16	money as we can on the street. I'm not sure we have
17	the capability through our processes of doing that in
18	a rapid manner at this moment.
19	MR. HINCAPIE: Mr. Chair?
20	MR. HOFFMAN: Yes, sir?
21	MR. HINCAPIE: I'm also on the Finance Committee
22	and I just wanted to thank Constance for her work in
23	this community. I don't think that anybody can deny
24	that what you do is so transformational and
25	lifesaving. On behalf of Kiara, Jakaya, Lekwonda and

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1	Argenae, all young women who've I had the honor to
2	serve as their mentor, had been through your doors and
3	their lives have been, or continue to be transformed
4	thanks to you. I have a, I don't want to say an
5	issues, but I think we need to address some of the
6	things that were brought up in the Ad Hoc Committee,
7	such as the spiritual bypassing, fraternalism, denial
8	of white privilege, the self-appointed white ally and
9	the "Make America Great Again." These are all things
10	that, according to the Ad Hoc Committee, are
11	considered socially acceptable racism. So I bring
12	this up simply because, Constance, you mentioned the
13	committee could provide expertise into how funds
14	should be spent. So I would feel more comfortable
15	once we have that conversation. And listen, this is
16	an issue that I think we're all very familiar with and
17	I think it definitely begins with at least, for the
18	young kids in foster care that I work with, not having
19	people at home that can love them unconditionally and
20	give them the support that they need to be able to
21	have a life where they can make something out of. So
22	I would love to hear some feedback from the other
23	Board members in terms of either supporting the last
24	years millage rate or what the staff recommends.
25	And again, Constance, this is, I commend you and

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1	what you do is amazing. I commend you for bringing it
2	up, but this is a conversation that, you said it,
3	we're facing a crisis. And I do agree with you 100
4	percent, but we need to make sure we address it
5	properly.
6	MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: If I may, Mr. Chair?
7	First of all, Constance, I want to thank you for
8	those word. It kinds of brings to mind the late
9	congressman John Lewis, who always historically
10	reminded us to be bold and to be courageous. And I
11	think we have an opportunity here. I do agree with
12	Constance. When you indicated that we are in a
13	precipice, I think that is indeed true. I think we
14	are in freefall in this community. I happen to be
15	sitting literally in the queens of Miami right now, in
16	Little Havana, that is the epicenter, in terms of new
17	cases. And I think we really don't know, we can only
18	fear what's in store for children and families and
19	marginalized communities coming down the pike. So I
20	just want to speak up on behalf of Constance's words
21	and her recommendation. And again, would close with
22	saying this could very well be our opportunity to get
23	in good trouble. Thank you.
24	MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: I guess I would want to chime
25	in just briefly. Constance, I also want to commend

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1	you for the statement that you shared with The Trust.
2	I think that economic marginalization, which is huge
3	in our community, is the responsibility of us all.
4	One of the things I think we'll be able to work on as
5	we go through the Ad Hoc Committee is discussing root
6	causes, but there is a reason why economic
7	marginalization happens in the first place. And so I
8	think you brought up many points that we definitely
9	need to think more consciously and more deeply as a
10	Board because even after this pandemic is, I don't
11	even know if I want to say over, but when we're not in
12	the same place, we're going to be dealing with the
13	repercussions and consequences probably for years to
14	come, especially among children and families who
15	experience economic marginalization, what this has
16	done to their lives and what this has done to the
17	education of children and some of them, like you said,
18	that can't afford the technology or those that may not
19	be able to afford the tutoring or additional
20	assistance or remediation that will possibly bring
21	them back up to speed because that is not going to
22	happen naturally for children in Miami-Dade County.
23	And I think that you're absolutely correct, we do
24	need to understand the possible outcomes and try to
25	mitigate them as much as we can. This is a very, very

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1	serious issue. And especially among our most	
2	vulnerable families and children who experience	
3	economic marginalization, which in Miami-Dade County	
4	is huge.	
5	MR. HOPE: Thank you.	
6	Any further discussion?	
7	MR. BAGNER: Yes, I'd also like to thank	
8	Constance for those words and sparking this	
9	discussion. I wholeheartedly agree with the things	
10	that she said and the justification and rationale for	
11	continuing with that rate. Especially hearing that it	
12	would cost property tax payers a couple of dollars for	
13	an additional \$5 million that we can invest in the	
14	marginalized communities that we know are being hit	
15	the hardest by this pandemic. I can't agree more.	
16	Honestly, I'm not convinced that we're not in a	
17	position, we've done bold things before as a Trust,	
18	that we're not in a position to spend that money	
19	wisely.	
20	We have a great Ad Hoc Committee that I'm joining	
21	and I think we can strategically think about how we	
22	can best invest this money, this additional money that	
23	we can get into the marginalized communities that	
24	we're talking about. And we know that the people who	
25	own property, that that's one of the things that we're	

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1	talking about, that's the systemic racism in our	
2	country, that those are the people that can afford	
3	these additional few bucks to really invest in the	
4	marginalized community. So I wholeheartedly agree and	
5	I'd like to hear more about why we can't figure out a	
6	way to spend that money wisely in the next year,	
7	especially given this pandemic.	
8	MR. HOPE: Thank you, sir.	
9	Any discussion before the motion goes to vote?	
10	MS. JIMENEZ-HERRERA: Yes, this is Monique	
11	Jimenez-Herrera. I want to also support the messages	
12	presented by Constance and everyone else that had	
13	spoken after her. I believe this is an opportunity	
14	for The Trust to, through the other committee, the Ad	
15	Hoc Committee, identify how we can spend those \$5	
16	million dollars specifically to assist people of	
17	color, the parents, children of color in our	
18	community.	
19	MR. HOPE: Thank you, ma'am.	
20	Any additional discussion on the subject?	
21	Okay, so at least I'll make my contribution. As	
22	the Finance Chair, Board Member, and also someone who	
23	works in the not-for-profit sector, I can identify	
24	with what Constance has put forward and I think she	
25	presented a very strong case as an advocate for the	

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1	issues effecting families in Miami-Dade County. For
2	me there are two schools of thought. In terms of one,
3	as a Board member and Finance Chair, looking at what
4	our fiduciary responsibility is to tax payers when it
5	comes to, as a taxing agency, leveraging a tax rate in
6	a time of fiscal crisis, while at the same time
7	recognizing the increase and demand for social
8	services in the community. So the rate has been
9	slightly adjusted as to when it was previously
10	discussed. However, what I would advocate is that
11	while given the fact that it takes time in the
12	development of programs and presenting to the board
13	and approving of new programs for funding, I think the
14	board should keep in mind that the projected operating
15	reserve is approximately \$20 million. And I would say
16	that given that, if there is a need for additional
17	funding, I think the board has the authority to
18	approve any new programs that they deem necessary to
19	fill some of the voids that may come up. But I think
20	in times of fiscal crisis, when it comes to tax
21	increase, optics is important.
22	So while I kind of find myself with my head in
23	both worlds, I think as a Board member and also Chair
24	of the Finance Committee, I think we have to also
25	maybe demonstrate that fiscal discipline at this point

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1	in time, while at the same time recognizing that there
2	may be need for additional funding. And if those
3	needs so arise in this fiscal year, that we can tap
4	into the operating reserve once the majority of the
5	board so desires. However, there is the following
6	fiscal year which we will have the opportunity if we
7	determine that there is a need for additional funding
8	to look at the millage rate again. So my
9	recommendation is that we stay with the 0.4507, but
10	recognizing that should there be need in the
11	community, as far as additional funding, that we have
12	an operating reserve that would allow us to do so.
13	that's my contribution. So if there are no additional
14	discussion on this subject, I would like to take it to
15	a vote.
16	MR. HINCAPIE: I have a question, Steve.
17	MR. HOPE: Yes, sir?
18	MR. HINCAPIE: The millage rate that we set right
19	now, we can't, it has to stay, right?
20	MR. SALVER: Yes.
21	MR. HINCAPIE: If we were to set the millage rate
22	to the .468 from last year and in September we can
23	lower it, but we can never raise it, is that correct?
24	MS. GRAVES: Yes.
25	MR. HOPE: According to our attorney, that is

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1	correct.			
2	MR. HINCAPIE: So I would propose that,	because		
3	we can lower it, but not raise it, that we follow			
4	Constance's advice and set it at last year's ra	te and		
5	then see what happens between now beca	use there's		
6	so much uncertainty and nobody ever knows	what's going		
7	to happen. And if, in September when we do	vote on		
8	setting the millage, we can go back to what S	taff is		
9	recommending, the .450.			
10	Could we do that?			
11	MR. HOPE: Madam Attorney?			
12	MS. GRAVES: If that's the board's will, the	le		
13	motion will just be to amend the current milla	ge rate		
14	and the board will vote on the amended item			
15	MR. HAJ: And just to clarify, it will be the	n		
16	advertised as a tax increase, that's the way i	t will		
17	go out.			
18	MR. HOPE: So the current motion we ha	ve, we		
19	would have to vote on that first. Is that corre	ct?		
20	MS. GRAVES: Not necessarily. If it's the	will		
21	of The Trust, you can move to amend the cu	rrent		
22	motion, the current proposal. Because you h	laven't		
23	moved it yet. And then it will just be amende	d to		
24	reflect the new proposed millage rate. Or yo	u all can		
25	vote on the proposed rate and go from there.	Another		

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1	alternative will be to do a straw vote prior to voting
2	on either, just to get an idea on the will of the
3	majority of the board and then use that as a basis on
4	how to proceed on which motion to make.
5	MR. HINCAPIE: Madam Attorney, I have a question.
6	So there's no way for us to, if we keep last year's
7	millage rate, it will be advertised as a tax increase
8	even though it has not been set yet?
9	MS. GRAVES: Yes.
10	MR. HOFFMAN: So I'd just like to add something
11	again along the lines of what Steve mentioned. We
12	have spent many years trying to manage a largesse of
13	funds in our fund balance. And I think we're at the
14	point where we're in target, but we do have still
15	excess funds. I do believe that if we're looking at,
16	for example, in this case, raising another \$5 million,
17	we would have within the fund balance and within our
18	current operations the flexibility to spend more
19	money.
20	I do still have, again, concerns. I don't
21	believe that the Ad Hoc Committee right now is set up
22	to be making funding decisions. And not to say that
23	that committee should not ultimately make
24	recommendations, but as I said, I do believe, just
25	like we've spent several million dollars this year

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1	that were unallocated to either specific programs or
2	came out of our fund balance, that we have the
3	flexibility to do that next year as well. So I don't
4	object, it's been my goal in managing the fund balance
5	and coming up and working with the Staff on how to do
6	that. I think that as Jim mentioned earlier, we were
7	talking the budget. As we've been bringing the fund
8	balance down, we've had the largest budget and
9	expenditures in the history of the Trust. And we did
10	that in the last funding cycle too, with again, same
11	goal of keeping taxes in line and bringing the fund
12	balance down.
13	So I do believe we have the resources to target.
14	I do believe in our solicitations for the coming year.
15	And we can, again, target funding for particular
16	communities or particular needs. But certainly would
17	support having more money available, but still have a
18	concern that we don't have a process in place
19	necessarily to put out specific fees over and above
20	what we're already doing.
21	But, Jim, would you like to address that?
22	MR. HAJ: Yeah, Ken. I think this is a historic
23	discussion every time we hit TRIM. The ability to
24	bring in more money and to put money on the streets.
25	And, Ken, as you said, we've done a great job

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1	producing a fund balance. We have a five-year plan to
2	drive it down. And we have put, we put \$6 billion the
3	last three months directly related to COVID. An
4	additional \$1 million for emergency one time. The \$6
5	million is recurring, the \$1 million was emergency
6	funding. I agree with Constance about the great need.
7	I do think we have the flexibility this year to do so,
8	to address, add additional funds, and address a higher
9	rate next year. It's just the optic, in my opinion,
10	the reason why Staff brought forward this is the optic
11	also of raising taxes when the community is hurting is
12	also another side that we have to look at and the
13	optic. We do have the money in the fund balance. But
14	I also agree with Constance, like she said, I'm one
15	leg on each side. This is something that we face
16	every year and have the same type of discussion. I do
17	think we have the flexibility. If we need additional
18	funds to release with the fund balance at this time,
19	we do have additional flexibility this year.
20	MS. GRAVES: Just one clarification, and I'll ask
21	Bill. With the current rate, will that be advertised
22	as an increase?
23	MR. KIRTLAND: It will be advertised as roll
24	back. I think maybe there's a little confusion
25	because it slightly yields last year's budget, but

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1	it's a bit of a complicated matter. But I think after
2	they do a final assessment of last year's property
3	values, they change their assessment of what the total
4	tax revenue was for last year compared to this year.
5	So its ended up yielding about a million more dollars
6	in the budget compared to last year's ad valorem tax
7	revenue. But according to our requirements and what
8	is considered the roll back rate, this is a no tax
9	increase rate, at .4507, and would not need to be
10	advertised as a tax increase.
11	MS. ABRAHANTE: I have a question. Is that the
12	highest percentage that will be considered a roll
13	back?
14	MR. HAJ: I mean, there's only one roll back
15	rate, so this is what it stands at. This is the most
16	we can potentially bring in without announcing a tax
17	increase.
18	MS. ABRAHANTE: Thank you.
19	MS. DONWORTH: This is Mary. I just had a
20	question. Is there no concern about people defaulting
21	on their taxes and not being able to pay and somehow
22	that amount that we're anticipating is not going to be
23	available?
24	MR. HOFFMAN: Bill, do we have any advice from
25	the county on that?

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1	MR. SALVER: Can I address that, please, Steve,
2	with your permission?
3	MR. HOPE: Yes, sir.
4	MR. SALVER: I just want to say a few words on
5	that. We have no idea what the storm that's looming
6	offshore is going to look like, but based on what took
7	place in 2007/2008, the overall counties taxable value
8	could decline by 15 or 20 percent. People are going
9	to contest their taxable values in droves. And we
10	have no, we absolutely have no idea what next year is
11	going to look like. But one thing I want to share
12	with you is that in my, in the 15 or more years that
13	I've been on this Board, one of the hardest things
14	that we've ever had to do is defund a program. And we
15	had to go through some of that during 2008 or 2009
16	when the last economic recession affected The
17	Children's Trust budget. And I encourage my
18	colleagues on the board, vehemently, to be, follow the
19	words of Steve Hope, because if we go and we maintain
20	a steady course and not do anything extreme trying to
21	overfund programs and collect as much money as
22	possible, I think we need to slow and steady the ship
23	should go. Because it's the most difficult thing to
24	give a program \$250,000 in one year and then the next
25	year tell them that they're not funded for no
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1	particular reason except we don't have the money to
2	fund it. I think the recommendation for the roll back
3	rate is appropriate. I think it's the right thing to
4	do. And I think we should call the question. And if
5	it's going to be a contentious vote, I think we should
6	have a poll vote rather than just a "yay" or "nay".
7	I'm just suggesting that. Whatever The Chair wants to
8	do.
9	MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Mr. Chair, if I may?
10	Thank you, Isaac, for that feedback. Steve and
11	others for the feedback as well. I'm going to follow
12	the Staff's recommendation. I've listened and I think
13	your words make very good sense. I also hope that at
14	the same time the board hears the urgency and the very
15	definite need for The Trust to make a solid
16	contribution or commitment to righting the wrong of
17	structural racism in the Miami-Dade community and
18	committing the wherewithal to make that happen over
19	time.
20	MR. HOPE: So previously a straw poll was
21	suggested. Is that the purview of The Chair or Chair,
22	is that something that I need to do?
23	MR. HOFFMAN: That's something that you can
24	decide.
25	MR. HOPE: Thank you, sir.

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1	So prior to voting on this motion, Muriel, will
2	you be able to take a straw poll and just to get the
3	numbers so we can determine what direction the board
4	would like us to go in?
5	MS. JEANTY: Yes, Steve.
6	MR. HOPE: I appreciate it. Thank you, ma'am.
7	So we will conduct a straw poll and the question
8	will be those who want to retain the proposed millage
9	rate of 0.4507 as recommended by the Staff for 2021.
10	That vote will be yes. Those who wish to retain the
11	existing rates of fiscal year 2019/2020, the vote will
12	be no. So if you're going to stick with the rate
13	recommended for next year, 0.4507, you'll have to vote
14	yes. If you disagree, you will vote no.
15	MR. BAGNER: Mr. Chair, can I ask a quick
16	question?
17	MR. HOPE: Yes, sir.
18	MR. BAGNER: Whenever, because I know the
19	biggest, one of the biggest concerns seems to be
20	optics during this time. And I've heard that we
21	advertise a tax rate. Its still, as a non-finance
22	person, it makes no sense to me if we're taxing I
23	mean, I understand that the amount of money that goes
24	up that many people will pay because of property tax
25	increases, but the rate is technically the same.

1	Can someone help me understand what that
2	advertisement involves? How it gets advertised, who
3	its told to? If we're talking about optics, I wonder
4	if there are other ways of presenting that to the
5	public?
6	MR. HOPE: Bill, you want to take that, sir?
7	MR. HAJ: I'll take a shot at it. I believe the
8	first notice in, I know that we have to provide this
9	information to the county by the early part of August.
10	And then before the first September TRIM meetings, I
11	think all property owners are going to receive that
12	notice and it's going to account for every, you know,
13	a special or taxing authorities rate that they're
14	trying to through or assess property value. So it
15	would be a disclosed rate, I think amongst other
16	entities that would all be applying their own millage
17	rates. So it's built into a more detailed notice that
18	you receive. And then following our first TRIM
19	meeting, leading up to TRIM meetings, that's when we
20	advertise in a little bit more plain English in the
21	Miami Herald exactly what our budget is, in the cutout
22	of the paper, and exactly what implications this has
23	for the Miami-Dade County property owner and if it's a
24	tax increase.
25	MR. HOPE: Does that address your question, Mr.

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1	Bagner?	
2	MR. BAGNER: I think so. So the first indication	
3	is property owner sees on their tax form this is the	
4	amount that's proposed, which they'll see that go up,	
5	but they'll see the rate on there stays the same. But	
6	then it's our disclosure to the Miami Herald that we	
7	say as The Trust that we're increasing taxes. Is	
8	there any way that we can justify in there why?	
9	MR. HOFFMAN: The public advertisement is in a	
10	particular form and it is required to state whether	
11	there's a tax increase or not. Or a tax increase is	
12	effected by the budget. So I don't think we can	
13	engineer the disclosure, more the question of whether	
14	the board is comfortable in defecting a tax increase	
15	if that's part of it.	
16	MR. HOPE: Thank you, Dr. Bagner.	
17	Any other questions before we conduct a	
18	MR. BAGNER: I just want to make sure that I'm	
19	understanding all the numbers, so the revision that	
20	has been discussed would potentially result in about	
21	\$5 million in additional revenue to The Trust,	
22	however, the current projections at the roll back rate	
23	would still have a fund balance of about \$20 million	
24	remaining at the lower roll back rate. So I just want	
25	to make sure that everybody is clear on that, that I'm	

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1	interpreting that correctly.
2	Is that correct, Bill, or Steve?
3	MR. HAJ: Yeah.
4	MR. HOPE: So I think when we did the projections
5	at the last Finance Committee meeting, I think it was
6	18 point something million. I think the, according to
7	the resolution here, the fund balance will be \$20,
8	263,000.
9	So, Bill, can I make the assumption that since
10	the difference in the rate, it's about a \$1.5 million
11	dollars difference from what was initially proposed at
12	the Finance Committee?
13	MR. HAJ: Yes. And if we don't make any
14	amendments to the budget during the year, this should
15	be the lowest potential balance that our fund balance
16	would arrive to at the end of the year, is \$20.2
17	million dollars. That's the assumption that all of
18	our budget is fully utilized, that all contracts are
19	100 percent spent. So there, of course, as there have
20	been in other years, there's the potential for a
21	volume of contracts that maybe have some
22	underutilization that maybe that can leave us with a
23	slightly higher balance than this and that's for us to
24	manage and monitor as the year proceeds. And as we've
25	done in this years past, we looked for opportunities

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1	to reallocate any identifiable underspending, so that
2	we can keep on course as much as possible.
3	So I think that's what's also been proposed in
4	this discussion here, if opportunities do come about,
5	we either have an existing fund balance that we can
6	think about delving into, or we could be identifying
7	other areas of the budget at a given point during the
8	year and potentially bring to the board areas of
9	opportunity, who maybe at that point some
10	underspending has been identified and can be
11	repurposed, rather than using existing fund balances.
12	MR. HOPE: Okay, and this budget is based upon
13	100 percent utilization of grant allocations?
14	MR. HAJ: Correct.
15	MR. HOPE: Okay, and historically, there has
16	been, what's the percentage of underutilization of
17	allocations?
18	MR. HAJ: Thus far, in our five year cycle, we
19	have one completed fiscal year, that was last year,
20	the fiscal year '19 where we launched an expansive
21	amount of new contract awards and expenditures. And
22	there was some underutilization, I think approximately
23	about 11 or 12 percent underutilized in contract
24	awards. Now, this year, in our ongoing monitoring of
25	how contracts are spent this year, we see improvement.

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1	So we're looking to hopefully get more out of our
2	existing contracts, our program contracts this year,
3	and we are seeing that. It comes in a time where we
4	did increase the revenue last year slightly to slow
5	down the rate using our fund balance reserves. And
6	that is a trend that should continue into next years
7	as well because it's an existing program and not
8	necessarily new funding that's spending more and more
9	of this money. So essentially we're looking at
10	potential utilization dipping under 10 percent in this
11	current year and maybe even more effective in the
12	years following.
13	MR. HOPE: And just for the non-finance folks,
14	what it simply means is that if the money that has
15	been allocated for grants and not utilized, this will
16	increase the reserve which can then be reallocated
17	depending on if the board deems there's additional
18	need as outlined by Constance.
19	All right, any other discussion before we do the
20	straw poll?
21	(NO VERBAL RESPONSE)
22	MR. HOPE: If none, Muriel, can you do the
23	honors, please?
24	MS. JEANTY: Yes. So I'm going to call out the
25	names and people saying, "yes", will have to say a

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1	loud enough "yes" and "no" s	so I can count after. So,	
2	here we go.		
3	Dr. Magaly Abrahante?		
4	DR. ABRAHANTE: Yes.		
5	MS. JEANTY: Laura Ada	ims? Laura Adams?	
6	Matthew Arsenault?		
7	MR. ARSENAULT: Yes.		
8	MS. JEANTY: Daniel Bag	gner?	
9	DR. BAGNER: No.		
10	MS. JEANTY: Dr. Doroth	hy Bendross-Mindingall?	
11	DR. BENDROSS-MINDI	NGALL: Yes.	
12	MS. JEANTY: Constanc	e Collins? Constance	
13	Collins?		
14	MS. COLLINS: Uh, no.		
15	MS. JEANTY: Thank you	u.	
16	Mary Donworth?		
17	MS. DONWORTH: Yes.		
18	MS. JEANTY: Pastor Rid	chard Dunn? Not there.	
19	Gilda Ferradaz?		
20	MS. FERRADAZ: Yes.		
21	MS. JEANTY: Lourdes C	Gimenez?	
22	MS. GIMENEZ: Yes.		
23	MS. JEANTY: Nicole Go	omez?	
24	MS. GOMEZ: No.		
25	MS. JEANTY: Mindy Gri	mes-Festge? She's not	

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1	there.				
2	Representative Ju	ıan Fernandez-Barqui	in?		
3	MR. FERNANDEZ	Z-BARQUIN: Yes.			
4	MS. JEANTY: Ne	elson Hincapie?			
5	MR. HINCAPIE: `	Yes.			
6	MS. JEANTY: Ke	nneth C. Hoffman?			
7	MR. HOFFMAN:	Yes.			
8	MS. JEANTY: Pa	mela Hollingsworth?			
9	MS. HOLLINGSW	/ORTH: Yes.			
10	MS. JEANTY: St	eve Hope?			
11	MR. HOPE: Yes				
12	MS. JEANTY: D	r. Monique Jimenez-H	lerrera?		
13	DR. JIMENEZ-HE	ERRERA: No.			
14	MS. JEANTY: H	onorable Barbara Joro	dan? She's not		
15	there.				
16	Maurice Kemp?	She's not there.			
17	Tiombe-Bisa Ken	drick-Dunn?			
18	MS. KENDRICK-	DUNN: No.			
19	MS. JEANTY: M	arissa Leichter?			
20	MS. LEICHTER:	No.			
21	MS. JEANTY: Fr	ank Manning?			
22	MR. MANNING:	Yes.			
23	MS. JEANTY: D	r. Susan Neimand?			
24	DR. NEIMAND: `	Yes.			
25	MS. JEANTY: Ju	udge Orlando Prescoti	t? He's not		

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1	here.
2	Emily Rosendo? Emily?
3	MS. ROSENDO: Yes. Hello?
4	MS. JEANTY: Thank you. Yes, I hear you. You
5	said yes?
6	MS. ROSENDO: Yes.
7	MS. JEANTY: Javier Reyes?
8	MR. REYES: Yes.
9	MS. JEANTY: Honorable Isaac Salver?
10	MR. SALVER: Yes.
11	MS. JEANTY: Mark Trowbridge?
12	MR. TROWBRIDGE: Yes.
13	MS. JEANTY: Karen Weller?
14	MS. WELLER: Yes.
15	MS. JEANTY: Sandra West?
16	MS. WEST: Yes.
17	MS. BOHORQUES: Muriel, Laura Adams has her hand
18	up. I guess she wants to be able to vote.
19	MS. JEANTY: Okay, Laura Adams?
20	MS. ADAMS: Sorry, I was on a call, but my vote
21	is yes.
22	MS. JEANTY: Okay, thank you. So, it's 20 yes
23	and six no.
24	MR. HOPE: Okay, thank you.
25	MS. GRAVES: I just want to pursuant

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1	MR. HOPE: Yes, ma'am?	
2	MS. GRAVES: Pursuant to the bylaws, it is based	
3	on a majority of the members currently appointed to	
4	serve on The Trust. It would still be enough to pass,	
5	but I just wanted to make it clear. It's not just the	
6	majority who are voting today.	
7	MR. HOPE: Thank you. So can we now proceed to	
8	the vote on the motion? Madam Attorney?	
9	MS. GRAVES: Yes.	
10	MR. HOPE: Can we now proceed?	
11	MS. GRAVES: Yes.	
12	MR. HOPE: Okay, thank you. All right, so I will	
13	read I think we had a second already, so all in	
14	favor?	
15	(WHEREUPON, the committee members all responded	
16	with "aye.")	
17	MR. HOPE: All opposed?	
18	MR. BAGNER: Nay.	
19	MS. COLLINS: Nay.	
20	MS. GOMEZ: Nay.	
21	MS. JIMENEZ-HERRERA: Nay.	
22	MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: Nay.	
23	MS. LEICHTER: Nay.	
24	MR. HOPE: Madam, will we need to recall the	
25	nays?	

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1	MS. JEANTY: The nays are Dr. Daniel Bagner,
2	Constance Collins, Nicole Gomez, Dr. Monique Jimenez-
3	Herrera, Tiombe Bisa Kendrick-Dunn, Marissa Leichter.
4	MS. GRAVES: And if those members can just
5	confirm that their vote for the straw poll is the same
6	vote for the actual motion, that would be great for
7	the record.
8	MS. LEICHTER: Leichter, confirming.
9	MS. GOMEZ: Yes, Nicole Gomez, confirming.
10	MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: Yes, Kendrick-Dunn is
11	confirming.
12	DR. BAGNER: Yes, Bagner, confirming.
13	DR. JIMENEZ-HERRERA: Yes, Monique Jimenez-
14	Herrera, confirming.
15	MS. COLLINS: Yes, Collins, confirming.
16	MS. JEANTY: Perfect. That was six.
17	MR. HOPE: The motion passes. Okay, moving on
18	the resolutions. Resolution
19	MR. HAJ: Mr. Chair, I think we need a motion on
20	the budget as well.
21	MR. HOPE: Oh, right, I apologize. Yes.
22	MR. SALVER: I'll move the budget as recommended.
23	MR. HOPE: Can I have a second, please?
24	MR. REYES: I'll second, Reyes.
25	MR. HOPE: All in favor?

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1	(WHEREUPON, th	ne committee members all responded		
2	with "aye.")			
3	MR. HOPE: All op	pposed?		
4	Motion passes, that	ank you very much.		
5	Moving on to the r	esolutions.		
6	Resolution 2020-8	0. This item came up at the		
7	Finance Committee a	nd it contained the authorization		
8	to execute contracts v	with 84 providers. However,		
9	within this resolution t	he Finance Committee was also		
10	asked to approve a c	hange from a name change which		
11	would also include a	change in Federal ID Number for		
12	Tiger and Dragon Gr	oup to Tiger and Dragon Miami LLC.		
13	And there were a nu	mber of discussion on the subject		
14	in terms of how this v	vould impact the original		
15	contract and as a res	sult it was recommend to go		
16	directly to the Financ	e Committee. However, the staff		
17	has asked to pull this	resolution and I will turn it		
18	over to the CEO to p	rovide some additional detail on		
19	the request.			
20	MR. HAJ: Steve,	thank you. This initially came		
21	to the Finance Comn	nittee, it was supposed to simply be		
22	a name change from	Tiger and Dragon, Inc. to Tiger and		
23	Dragon, LLC. So qu	estions came up at the Finance		
24	Committee. We circl	ed back with the provider to get		
25	additional information	n. They are resending a name		

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1	change, they did not know all that went into it. From
2	they have other contracts with other providers,
3	funders. And they also it impacts your DCF license
4	and a bunch of other things, that during coronavirus,
5	they think it's going to be very difficult to get all
6	these changed. So they requested that they that
7	they not go back and they change at their original
8	name. So we are requesting just to pull this
9	resolution.
10	MR. HOPE: Thank you, sir. Is there anything
11	formally that needs to be done, Madam Attorney, as it
12	relates to pulling the resolution?
13	MS. GRAVE: Because the committee deferred the
14	vote, we would just suggest that a motion approving
15	the withdrawal of the reso to close the loop on this.
16	MR. HOPE: Okay, so motion to remove Resolution
17	2020-80 as deferred by the Finance Committee to the
18	Board of Directors, can I get a
19	MR. HINCAPIE: So moved, Hincapie.
20	MR. HOPE: Can I get a second?
21	MR. SALVER: I'll second, Salver.
22	MR. HOPE: All in favor?
23	(WHEREUPON, the committee members all responded
24	with "aye.")
25	MR. HOPE: Opposed?

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1	MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: Aye.
2	MR. HOPE: Resolution passes.
3	Resolution 2020-81: Amend resolution: (1) #2020-
4	47, granting authorization to execute contracts with
5	84 providers for high-quality after-school and summer
6	programming, to remove one of The Urban League of
7	Greater Miami, Inc.'s subcontractors; (2) #2020-56,
8	granting authorization to execute contracts with 14
9	providers for Family and Neighborhood Support
10	Partnerships, to remove one of the City of Homestead's
11	subcontractors; (3) #2020-46, granting authorization
12	to execute a contract with Miami-Dade County for the
13	HERO truancy prevention program, to replace the
14	subcontractor.
15	Can I get a motion please?
16	MR. TROWBRIDGE: I'll move it, Trowbridge.
17	MR. HOPE: Can I get a second, please?
18	MS. FERRADAZ: Second, Ferradaz.
19	MS. NEIMAND: Second, Neimand.
20	MS. JEANTY: Who second?
21	DR. BENDROSS-MINDINGALL: Mr. Chair?
22	MR. HOPE: Yes, ma'am?
23	DR. BENDROSS-MINDINGALL: This is Bendross-
24	Mindingall, I have to recuse myself from voting on
25	this.

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1	MS. JEANTY: Yes.	
2	MR. HAJ: Yes, you do, as well as	
3	MR. HOPE: Any other recusals?	
4	MR. HAJ: Dr. Abrahante.	
5	DR. ABRAHANTE: Yes.	
6	MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: Yes and I also have to. This	
7	is Tiombe Kendrick-Dunn, I have to recuse because I'm	
8	employed by Miami-Dade County Public Schools.	
9	MR. HOPE: Would Staff like to make any	
10	contribution to this Resolution?	
11	MR. HAJ: Steve, this is just it's a simple,	
12	it's three subcontractor changes. Actually, two and	
13	one removal, so it's just dealing with these three	
14	subcontractors. And I think all those who have to	
15	recuse have recused.	
16	MS. GRAVES: And can we, just for the record, say	
17	who seconded it, again?	
18	MS. FERRADAZ: I think I seconded it, Ferradaz.	
19	MS. JEANTY: Yes.	
20	MR. HOPE: This has no financial impact. All	
21	right, any further discussion?	
22	MS. JEANTY: I think Dr. Abrahante needs to	
23	recuse.	
24	DR. ABRAHANTE: Yes, I recused, thank you.	
25	MS. WEST: I'm sorry, this is Sandra West, I'm	

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1	also employed by Miami-Dade County Schools. Do I need	
2	to recuse?	
3	MS. GRAVES: Yes.	
4	MS. WEST: I recuse.	
5	MR. HOPE: Thank you. All in favor?	
6	(WHEREUPON, the committee members all responded	
7	with "aye.")	
8	MR. HOPE: Oppose?	
9	Motion passes.	
10	Resolution 2020-82: Authorization to	
11	MS. KOBRINSKI: Can you	
12	MR. HOPE: I'm sorry?	
13	MS. KOBRINSKI: Mr. Chair, can you please ask for	
14	any opposed?	
15	MR. HOPE: I'm sorry, any opposed?	
16	MS. JEANTY: There weren't any opposed.	
17	MR. HOPE: Okay, there's no opposition.	
18	Resolution passes.	
19	Resolution 2020-82: Authorization to negotiate	
20	and execute contracts with the Miami-Dade Family	
21	Learning Partnership, Inc. and All in One Mail Shop,	
22	Inc. d/b/a All in One Direct Marketing Solutions for	
23	the support and maintenance of a birth to five book	
24	club, in a total amount not to exceed \$1,387,892.00,	
25	for a term of 12 months, commencing October 1, 2020,	

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1	and ending September 30, 2021, with three remainin	g	
2	12-month renewals, subject to annual funding		
3	appropriations.		
4	Can I get a motion, please?		
5	MS. WELLER: So moved, Weller.		
6	MR. HOPE: Can I get a second?		
7	MS. GIMENEZ: Second, Gimenez.		
8	MR. HOPE: Thank you. Any recusals?		
9	DR. BAGNER: Recusal, Bagner, employed by FI	U who	
10	receives payment from this.		
11	MR. HOPE: Additional recusals?		
12	MS. JEANTY: Dr. Abrahante, recuse?		
13	DR. ABRAHANTE: Oh, yes, recusal.		
14	MR. HOPE: Before any open floor to discussion,		
15	is there any information that Staff would like to add		
16	to bring clarity to this?		
17	MR. HAJ: Steve, I just want to reiterate what I		
18	said at committee. We relaunched the new book clu	ıb, I	
19	think we showed you our new marketing campaign.	I	
20	think you've seen it on the buses. The commercial.		
21	And it has been an amazing success. We may find		
22	ourselves in a position, as this thing grows, to come		
23	back to the board regarding funding. But I think it		
24	has been remarkable the last couple months in the r	ate	
25	of enrollment.		

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1	MR. HOPE: Thank you, sir.
2	Any discussion? None.
3	All in favor?
4	(WHEREUPON, the committee members all responded
5	with "aye.")
6	MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: I need to recuse. You didn't
7	ask for recusals, I needed to recuse also.
8	MR. HOPE: Yes, I did. I'm sorry, I didn't hear
9	you.
10	MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: Yeah, I didn't hear.
11	MR. HAJ: Tiombe, you don't have to recuse.
12	MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: Oh, okay. Okay, thank you.
13	MR. HOPE: So, let's do it again, all in favor?
14	(WHEREUPON, the committee members all responded
15	with "aye.")
16	MR. HOPE: Any opposed? Resolution passes.
17	Resolution 2020-83: Authorization to expend up to
18	\$50,000.00 for Community Engagement Team support
19	services in the Haitian Community with Hermantin
20	Consulting, LLC., for a term of 12 months, commencing
21	October 1, 2020, and ending September 30, 2021.
22	Can I get a motion, please?
23	MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: So moved, Kendrick-Dunn.
24	MS. DONWORTH: Moved, Donworth.
25	MR. HOPE: Can I get a second?

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1	MS. DONWORTH: Second, Donworth.
2	MR. HOPE: Thank you. Any recusals?
3	Any discussion on this resolution? If none, all
4	in favor?
5	(WHEREUPON, the committee members all responded
6	with "aye.")
7	MR. HOPE: Opposed? Resolution passes.
8	Resolution 2020-84 Deferred by Finance Committee:
9	So, this Resolution came before the Finance Committee,
10	originally, it came before the Finance Committee in
11	May the 7th and again on June the 30th. And it has to
12	deal with the CEO's procurement authorization. At the
13	Finance Committee, prior to the vote, it was
14	determined that there was some additional attachments,
15	in terms of the previous reso's, that would bring some
16	greater clarity that was not attached and as a result
17	the decision was to bring this directly to the board.
18	However, the Finance Committee has discussed this, I
19	think, at least two Finance Committee Meetings. And
20	what it is intended to do is to bring greater clarity
21	in terms of the accountability of the CEO's
22	expenditure while at the same time minimizing, I
23	guess, some of the bureaucracies that is required for
24	him to authorize expenditures in excess I'm sorry,
25	under \$25,000.00.

1	So, the Resolution states, to rescind and replace
2	resolution #2007-60 and #2007-60 which was amended on
3	September 4, 2018; and amend the procurement policy to
4	reflect separate CEO spending authority for (a)
5	certain categories of funding requests, and (b)
6	purchases of operating goods and services for The
7	Trust. CEO spending authority related to certain
8	categories of funding requests will be limited to
9	\$1,200,000.00 per fiscal year, with quarterly reports
10	provided to the board of directors. CEO spending
11	authority for operating goods and services will be
12	limited to \$25,000.00 per vendor and approved by the
13	board during the budget approval process.
14	And just to provide a brief background on this,
15	is that the operating budget provides approval of the
16	cumulative operating expenditure for the year. And
17	the CEO is given the authorization to expend those
18	funds up to a limit of \$25,000.00. However, if we
19	were to ask the CEO to generate a report for all
20	expenditures under \$25,000.00, which were previously
21	approved by the board, in the operating budget, the
22	administrative process would be cumbersome. So, what
23	I would do is ask the CEO to take the floor and
24	provide some additional information on this particular
25	subject.

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1	Mr. CEO?
2	MR. HAJ: Steve, thank you.
3	So for those new Board members, the CEO authority
4	has been going on since 2007. With the report and
5	requirements quarterly, that has always been there,
6	nothing has changed. What happens when we updated in,
7	I believe it was, 2018, goods and services was
8	included in procurement process. Which could be
9	interrupted as goods and services to buy supplies for
10	The Trust and additional items, which was not the
11	original intent.
12	So, the Finance Committee, several months ago,
13	asked us to go back and revert back to the original
14	intent. We brought it in May, I believe we were
15	bringing it May, we pulled it just to work with our
16	attorneys. Our attorneys, I do want to thank them in
17	advance for the last two months on working on this,
18	just to make sure we sure up the difference between
19	CEO authority for our small CVO's and direct services
20	to the community versus buying goods and supplies for
21	the office and to keep The Trust operating. So, this
22	was really a clarification. There's nothing
23	drastically new about this. It was more of clarifying
24	and assuring up our procurement policy.
25	MR. HOPE: Thank you, sir.

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1	This is open for discussion.	Questions?		
2	MR. SALVER: Steve?			
3	MR. HOPE: Yes, sir.			
4	MR. SALVER: It's less of a	MR. SALVER: It's less of a question and more of		
5	a comment.			
6	MR. HOPE: Yes, sir.			
7	MR. SALVER: You know wi	nen you described the item		
8	using the terminology "minimizi	ng bureaucracy", is not		
9	what I understood this to be. It	hink that's kind of		
10	misleading what this is. You ki	now, I'm going to		
11	support this and I think it's app	ropriate. But I		
12	think it was I think this is mor	e a resolution that		
13	puts in line and into words the	practice that we've		
14	been doing for the last several	years anyway. But I		
15	had about a 15-minute convers	ation with our CFO about		
16	this and he kind of talked me d	own and made me		
17	understand it.			
18	And I would ask your permi	ssion to maybe have		
19	William to give the bullet points	to the board at-		
20	large, that he gave to me, expl	aining exactly why the		
21	operational aspects of this reso	plution is in very		
22	simple terms. If that's okay, St	eve?		
23	MR. HOPE: All right, so be	fore I turn it over to		
24	Bill, and when I say, "minimize	bureaucracy", the fact		
25	that if we the CEO is to provi	de a detail report on		

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1	all operating expenditures under \$25,000.00 that has				
2	been approved by the budget it would be cumbersome and				
3	bureaucratic to some extent, but we can disagree on				
4	that. So I will turn over to Bill to provide some				
5	additional clarity on the subject matter.				
6	MR. KIRTLAND: Okay, thank you, Steve.				
7	I'll do my best to provide clarity and hopefully				
8	not confusion. A lot of the main points have been				
9	made. Essentially, in discussions I had with Isaac,				
10	previous to this meeting, is that we are looking, of				
11	course, to clarify the language in the procurement				
12	policy as stated. The reporting requirement has a				
13	\$1.2 million limitation on the CEO's funding				
14	authority, also with the provision that it has to be				
15	less than \$25,000.00, in that case it would have to				
16	come to the board for approval.				
17	Being familiar and actually in reviewing the				
18	budget today, I mean because you can see that our				
19	management expenses exceed around \$10,000,000.00. The				
20	original procurement policy and the total funding				
21	authority that it provided the CEO does not capture				
22	the total amount of our management expenses that it				
23	takes to operate The Trust and it's keep the lights				
24	on type of expenditures, as to refer to it as. We				
25	have designed, several years ago, a set of procedures				

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1	within various sections of the procurement policy.
2	Ways of vetting every request that's received at The
3	Trust, it could be any opportunity to maybe supplement
4	a small program or a sponsorship opportunity, so that
5	The Trust, in detail, will review the organization and
6	its and the validity of the request. Whether or
7	not it meets the scope of the type of items that
8	typically would expect to receive when it's an
9	unsolicited request. But, I also wanted to make it
10	clear that when it comes to CEO spending authority.
11	And it's often an item that Jim and I discuss in our
12	regular budget meetings. Is it's not a separately
13	allocated pool of funds.
14	If you were to look at our budget, you're not
15	going to see our main strategic initiatives such as
16	Parenting and Youth Development, and CEO spending
17	authority. It's merely a method of procurement.
18	Meaning that amongst our budget, there can be
19	opportunities to fund an unsolicited request. Whether
20	or not it comes through and we decide to allocate it
21	to Youth Development, or to Community Engagement, it's
22	a method of spending that's supported through
23	procurement. So, if we fund an opportunity or a
24	specific vendor that's not supported by the
25	competitive solicitation process or informal quotes,

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1	then we typically will have this method of funding		
2	authority at our expense to make a funding decision.		
3	And that spending limit is tracked within our systems,		
4	that have been approved by our Board in your past, so		
5	that we make sure that we have the controls in place		
6	to make sure that the proper vetting procedures took		
7	place before any unsolicited request is approved. And		
8	that, again, includes a detail vetting process by		
9	staff.		
10	We have even more limitations within each		
11	department that receives the request. Often times, we		
12	only approve sponsorships or community engagement		
13	opportunities only up to \$10,000.00. And I believe		
14	also that these requests have to be exclusive or		
15	outside of our regular funding portfolios. So we look		
16	to avoid funding opportunities or sponsorship		
17	activities providing organizations that are both		
18	funded in our service providing pot of funds, as well		
19	as these requests made for these other funding		
20	opportunities.		
21	MR. HOFFMAN: Steve, if I may?		
22	MR. HOPE: Yes, sir.		
23	MR. HOFFMAN: I would just say, since this has		
24	come up several times at the Finance Committee, this		
25	is really in the nature of a glitch fill. The		

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1	amendment to the original 2007 Resolution had words,		
2	goods and services, that were not in the original		
3	resolution that were amended. There was no history of		
4	putting those in, in the procurement policy. And		
5	again, after going over this at the committee several		
6	times and making sure that that was the right		
7	interpretation, I think we're trying to fix it to both		
8	conform with the original Resolution as well as the		
9	practice that The Trust has had over the succeeding		
10	years.		
11	MR. HOPE: Thank you. Thanks everyone for		
12	bringing some		
13	MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Mr. Chair?		
14	MR. HOPE: clarity to this. Yes, go ahead,		
15	please.		
16	MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Mr. Chair, if I may. First		
17	of all, I want to thank Steve, James, Jim, as well as		
18	Bill for the clarification. I do want to be candid		
19	and say that I had to take a proverbial highlighter to		
20	this resolution as I was kind of pouring over it and		
21	plowing through it, but the explanations have been		
22	really helpful. I'm supporting this resolution. The		
23	level of autonomy seems perfectly appropriate.		
24	Transparency is certainly built in.		
25	And, Bill, your explanation of the internal		

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1	controls was extremely helpful. Thank you.			
2	MR. HOPE: Thanks.			
3	Any additional comments, discussion, questions?			
4	Okay, if none. All in favor?			
5	(WHEREUPON, the committee members all responded			
6	with "aye.")			
7	MR. HOPE: Opposed? Resolution 2020-84 passes.			
8	I will now turn over to Jim for the CEO Report.			
9	MR. GRAVES: Mr. Chair, excuse me?			
10	Muriel, can you say who moved and seconded that			
11	motion?			
12	MR. TROWBRIDGE: Might not have happened.			
13	MR. ARSENAULT: Yeah, I don't think we asked for			
14	one.			
15	MS. JEANTY: We didn't have the motion yet.			
16	MR. HOPE: I jumped the gun. My apologies.			
17	Okay, so let's start over again, do I need to reread			
18	the resolution again, Ma'am?			
19	MS. GRAVES: No, you can just call for a motion			
20	and just identify that it's 2020-84.			
21	MR. HOPE: Okay.			
22	Can I get a motion for Resolution 2020-84,			
23	please?			
24	MR. REYES: I'll move it.			
25	MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Second, Hollingsworth.			

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1	MS. JEANTY: So who moved it?			
2	MR. REYES: Reyes.			
3	MS. JEANTY: Okay, and second?			
4	MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Hollingsworth	1.		
5	MS. HOPE: Madam Attorney, do we ne	ed to take a		
6	vote again?			
7	MS. GRAVES: Yes.			
8	MR. HOPE: Yes, okay.			
9	All in favor?			
10	(WHEREUPON, the committee member	ers all responded		
11	with "aye.")			
12	MR. HOPE: All opposed?			
13	Resolution 2020-84 passes.			
14	I will now turn over to Jim for the CEO	Report.		
15	Thank you, everyone.			
16	MR. HAJ: Steve, thank you.			
17	Just a couple of items. Champions for	Children,		
18	I think I may have brought this up the last	Board		
19	meeting, is our signature event, but due to	COVID we		
20	are now going to do it virtually. We're sele	ecting a		
21	date for late November or early December	. We are		
22	going to ask Board members, as we typica	ally do, to		
23	look through, to screen and select the Day	e Lawrence		
24	Award winner. As long as it's before our p	rogram for		
25	the year, that should be coming up the next	kt month or		
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1	two.	
2	Young Talent Big Dreams, another one of our	
3	programs went online virtually. It is, I think I have	
4	the dates here, it will close on August 3rd. Semi-	
5	finals are scheduled for August 29th and the finals	
6	will be livestreamed on Sunday, September 13th.	
7	As we talked about during the first part of the	
8	meeting, TRIM I and TRIM II are September 14th and	
9	21st, and quorum is essential.	
10	The Miami Herald, Ken and I authored a Miami	
11	Herald which ran last Friday. If you have not seen	
12	it, we will send it to the board members. Just about	
13	the great work of The Trust Board and what we're doing	
14	in this community.	
15	We also launched a campaign. We do know that	
16	there's COVID issues, but there's also some issues	
17	with immunizations in well-child visits. So we're	
18	really pushing, as we're getting closer to school, for	
19	the immunizations and working with the clinics and the	
20	people we support to get immunizations up to speed.	
21	And our Grade Level Reading Campaign Award, one	
22	of our four submissions won the National Grade Level	
23	Reading Campaign.	
24	The Children's Trust Thrive By Five QIS won the	
25	2019 Pay Center Honoree in the category of meeting	

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1	fiscal challenges. And one of our providers, FIU CCF		
2	Reading Explorers, was selected as a finalist in the		
3	category.		
4	I also don't know if Ken had brought this up,		
5	but just to remind everybody, last week or two weeks		
6	ago, we had our All Stars event where we celebrated		
7	Early Child Care providers about their excellence.		
8	And these are people who run quality programs for		
9	three, four and five, and receive a financial		
10	incentive. So we did an online event, which was		
11	phenomenal. And thank you for all those Board members		
12	who attended.		
13	Mr. Chair, back to you.		
14	MR. HOFFMAN: Thank you everybody for your		
15	participation. Let's be safe out there. Thank you.		
16	MR. SALVER: Mr. Chair, before you adjourn the		
17	meeting, can I request a verbatim transcript of the		
18	conversation for the recommendation of the Finance and		
19	Operations Committee for proposed millage rate from		
20	this meeting? Just that section, a verbatim		
21	transcript.		
22	MR. HOFFMAN: Certainly.		
23	MR. SALVER: Thank you.		
24	MR. HAJ: Isaac, we'll get that to you.		
25	MR. SALVER: Okay, appreciate it.		

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3	adjourned.)				
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