

**Escambia Children’s Trust Board of Directors Meeting
August 12, 2025, at 5:30 PM**

Open to the public at the Board of County Commissioners Chambers
Ernie Lee Magaha Bldg., 221 Palafox Place, Pensacola, FL 32502

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Meeting Title:	Escambia Children’s Trust Board of Directors Meeting		
Date:	August 12, 2025	Time:	9:00 am
Location:	221 Palafox Place, Pensacola, FL 32502		
Presiding:	Stephanie White, Vice Chair	Scribe:	Alma Ellis
Participants:	<p>Board Members: Stephanie White, Tina Cain, Keith Leonard, David Williams, Commissioner Lumon May, Tori Woods</p> <p>Staff/Advisors: : Lindsey Cannon, Executive Director, Alma Ellis, Board Liaison Administrative Specialist, Michael Moore, Community Engagement Coordinator, Deborah Ray, Director of Programs and Performance, Richard Stone, SAMIS Manager, Meredith Bush, Esq., Megan Fry, Esq., Legal Counsel</p>		
Not Present:	Judge Williams		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call To Order 9:00 AM • Approval of Agenda <i>Mr. Williams motioned to approve the agenda, Ms. Woods seconded, all were in favor. Agenda approved.</i> • Approval of Minutes <i>Ms. Woods motioned to approve the Minutes of July 8, 2025, Regular Board Meeting, Mr. Leonard seconded, all were in favor, Minutes approved.</i> • Treasurer’s Report <i>Ms. Abrams reviewed the Financial Report for month ending June 30, 2025. All Board Members present were in agreement to file the report as presented for the annual audit.</i> • Public Comment <i>There were no public comments.</i> • Special Presentation <i>Capt.USN, Ret. Pat Everly was present and provided a special presentation on the National Flight Academy. (See video on website.)</i> • Business <u>Operations</u> <i>Ms. Cannon provided an overview of the Board Workshop that took place on July 28, 2025 She highlighted the committee’s discussion and recommendations for funding going forward. (See video on website to review recommendations.)</i> <u>Programs</u> <i>Change of Scope – New World Believers – H.O.O.P.S.</i> 		

Ms. Cannon reviewed a Change of Scope recommendation brought forth by the Program Committee.

The change of scope will allow the program to serve participants outside the 32501 and 32505 zip codes and allow participants to access HOOP Bucks accrued during the 90-day program after program completion, provided they are active participants in the HOOPS After Care Program.

Ms. Woods motioned to approve the recommendation, Ms. Cain seconded, and all were in favor of this Change of Scope.

Summer Site Visits

Ms. Ray provided an overview of the Program Site Visits that have been taking place. (See video on website for details.)

2024-2025 Annual OST Report

2024-2025 Annual OST Reports were distributed to all members present. Ms. Ray provided information on how to navigate the report and offered her willingness to review the report with any board members that may have questions.

- **Legal Report (Megan Fry, Esq.)**

- **City of Pensacola TIF request (2021-2024)**

Ms. Megan Fry, Esq., shared the following information regarding the City of Pensacola TIF exemption request:

Ms. Cannon submitted the exemption request on July 15 Ms. Fry followed up with Mr. Cobb (City Attorney) and was told that he and Mayor Reeves were still digesting the request. Ms. Fry also confirmed the Trust is under an indefinite extension to pay the demanded funds. If approved, the process would be similar to the county's process. There will be a public hearing scheduled – no date has been set at this time. If an extension is granted, Ms. Fry will work with Mr. Cobb to schedule an appointment to include Ms. Cannon, Ms. Fry, Mayor Reeves and Mr. Cobb to discuss what will be included in the proposed inter-local agreement, especially in light of the dollar amount currently being expended in cities CRA area. She will touch base with Mr. Cobb in the next couple of weeks to ensure the process continues to move forward.

	<p>There were no questions from the Board related to this report.</p> <p>With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:33 am</p>
	Signature (Board Chair)