

OCA Advisory Committee Meeting
Minutes – October 22, 2024

OCA Staff: Christina D. Ghio, Acting Child Advocate

Members Present: Edwin Colon, Shelley Geballe, Jeanne Milstein, Danielle Cooper

Members Not Present: Zakkyya Williams

1. Update on Committee Members

Amanda Meeson and Jennifer Collins had to resign from the Committee. Zakkyya Williams has been appointed. Another committee member was appointed, but it appears that this person may not be able to serve as he is currently employed by an entity that may come under the purview of the OCA.

2. Approval of Minutes

August minutes need to be approved. Members reviewed the minutes. Shelley Geballe moved to approve; Jeanne Milstein seconded. All voted in favor. None opposed.

3. Committee Process for Interviewing Successor Candidates

Christina Ghio provided additional information on the process for posting the Child Advocate position through the Department of Administrative Services. The committee reviewed and discussed language regarding the minimum and preferred qualifications of the Child Advocate. Minimum and preferred qualifications drafted in this meeting will be circulated to the committee for review.

4. Investigation Updates

Motion to go into executive session made by Jeanne Milstein. Seconded by Edwin Colon. Confidential investigations discussed in Executive Session. Motion to end executive session by Jeanne Milstein. Danielle Cooper seconded. All voted in favor.

5. Scheduling

Next meeting: November 26, 2024 at 5:30

Meeting Adjourned.

Christina D. Ghio, JD, CWLS

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