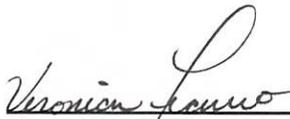


**Program Committee Meeting**

August 15, 2023

11:30 am

- I. DECLARATION OF QUORUM**
- II. PUBLIC COMMENTS**
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
  - A. Approve Minutes of the Board of Trustees Program Committee Held on Tuesday, July 18, 2023  
(EXHIBIT P-1)
- IV. REVIEW AND COMMENT**
  - A. IDD Update  
(EXHIBIT P-2)
- V. EXECUTIVE SESSION – As authorized by §551.071 of the Texas Government Code, the Board of Trustees reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to seek legal advice from its attorney about any matters listed on the agenda.**
- VI. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION**
- VII. CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION AS A RESULT OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION**
- VIII. ADJOURN**



Veronica Franco, Board Liaison  
Bonnie Hellums, MED, LMFT, LCDC, AAC, JD Chairperson  
Program Committee  
The Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD  
Board of Trustees



# **EXHIBIT P-1**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
***The HARRIS CENTER for***  
**Mental Health and IDD**  
**PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, JULY 18, 2023**  
**MINUTES**

Dr. Gearing, Board of Trustees Vice Chairman, called the meeting to order at 11:45 a.m. in Room 109 of the 9401 Southwest Freeway location, noting a quorum of the Committee was present.

**RECORD OF ATTENDANCE**

Committee Members in Attendance: Dr. R. Gearing, Dr. L. Moore

Committee Member in Absence: Mrs. Bonnie Hellums

Other Board Members in Attendance: Dr. G. Santos

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 11:45 a.m.

**2. DESIGNATION OF BOARD MEMBERS AS VOTING COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Dr. Gearing designated Dr. Santos as a voting member.

**3. DECLARATION OF QUORUM**

Dr. Gearing declared a quorum of the committee was present.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no Public Comments.

**5. Approve the Minutes of the Board of Trustees Program Committee Meeting Held on Tuesday, June 20, 2023.**

**MOTION BY: SANTOS**

**SECOND BY: MOORE**

**With unanimous affirmative votes**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Board of Trustees Program Committee meeting held on Tuesday, June 20, 2023 under Exhibit P-1, are approved and recommended to the Full Board for acceptance.

**6. REVIEW AND COMMENT**

**A. 988 Presentation**—Jennifer Battle presented to the Program Committee the 988 Presentation.

**7. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There was no Executive Session during the Program Committee Meeting.

**8. ADJOURN**

**MOTION: SANTOS                      SECOND: MOORE**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:28 pm.

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**Veronica Franco, Board Liaison  
Bonnie Hellums, Chairman  
Program Committee  
THE HARRIS CENTER *for* Mental Health *and* IDD  
Board of Trustees**

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# **EXHIBIT P-2**



Transforming Lives

IDD Gardening Program  
Humble Service Center



# IDD Services Division

April - August 2023

Dr. Evanthe Collins | Vice President, IDD Division/Grants & State Contracts

# IDD ORIENTATION

**Creating a team of ELITE professionals to serve an incredible IDD community.**

**COMMUNITY SAFETY NET  
CONCEPT & ETHICAL  
EXPECTATIONS**

**WHAT IS IDD/AUTISM  
ETIOLOGY & SYMPTOMS**

**HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE & KEY  
MILESTONES**

Lest we forget

**CRISIS THEORY & OUR ROLE IN  
FAMILY CRISIS**

# SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

General Revenue Families Only

June 12th - July 28th

4 Days Per Week

13 - 22 years of age

Socialization, music, arts, and dance to prevent skills regression. Healing Species provided 2 weeks of daily activities with pet therapy, teaching patience, caring for self and others, and promoting self-esteem.

Dorian



Dayanna



Jessica



John



Daniel

# VOCATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM



**HHSC Support \$222,064**

**12 Apprentices**

**22 weeks training  
20 weeks paid integrated  
employment**

**Only available in 16  
LIDDAs**

**Currently 4 Host Sites +  
1 Pending**

7th Heaven Coffee Cafe  
Garza's Veterinary Clinic  
Kingdom Worldwide Cares  
Walker Group Tax Service  
Pending: professional janitorial services contractor for United Airlines

# ELECTRONIC TABLET PROGRAM

**HHSC Support: \$252,317**

## **PILOT PROJECT**

5 LIDDAs

### **Electronic Job Coaching**

Participants receive services from an electronic tablet job coach as a demonstration project to gain independence in the workplace and provide needed job skills.



# BACK-TO-SCHOOL & HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS EVENT

**August 12th**

## **Presentations**

Houston Health Department, The Arc of Harris County, The Handley Law Office, Social Security Administration



## **Vendors**

HCC Vast Academy, Disability Rights, Special Needs Dental, Managed Care Organizations, WIC, Pet Partners, Hope Clinic, Houston Public Library, Special Olympics, etc.



## **Resources for Success**

500 backpacks with supplies provided to general revenue clients. Open raffles for portable chargers, battery operated radios, noise cancelling headphones and tablets.



## **IDD Calendar**

Showcasing our IDD community and supports offered by The Harris Center





# ENGAGING OUR COMMUNITY

IDD Video Project





# Fiscal Year 2024 Strategic Priorities



## IDD + Psychiatric Care

Increase availability of local beds  
IDD Step-Down: Adults/Youth

## IDD + Community Supports

Re-establish safety-net services  

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89<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session  
Cost of Waiting Study  
GR Waitlist Data

## IDD + Forensic Diversion

Increase community diversions via  
safety net services