



Miami-Dade County

Commission on Disability Issues (CODI) Outreach & Education Committee Meeting

*Stephen P. Clark Center (SPCC)
111 N.W. 1st Street, Miami, Florida 33128
18th Floor, Conference Room 18-4*

	Date:	February 29, 2012	
I.	<u>Opening and Attendance:</u> Attendance recorded. Call to Order.		
	District 1 Commissioner Jordan	John Miller First Vice Chair	
	District 2 Commissioner Monestime	Jackson David Access Committee Chair	Present
	District 3 Commissioner Edmonson	Jose Granda Access Committee Chair	
	District 4 Commissioner Heyman	Vacant Appointment	
	District 5 Commissioner Barreiro	Ernie Martinez CODI Chairman	Present
	District 6 Commissioner Sosa	Pedro Rodriguez Housing Committee Chair	Present
	District 7 Commissioner Suarez	Harry Horgan Outreach/Education Chair	Present
	District 8 Commissioner Levine Cava	Jesus Garcia Transportation Committee Chair & CODI Secretary	
	District 9 Commissioner Moss	Ronald Fulton 2 nd Vice Chair	
	District 10 Commissioner Souto	Dr. Sam Kohlenberg Membership Committee Chair	
	District 11 Commissioner Martinez	Denise Valkema	
	District 12 Commissioner Diaz	Marilyn Larrieu Housing Committee Co-Chair	
	District 13 Commissioner Bovo	Alan Rigerman	
	Miami-Dade County Staff Present	Heidi Johnson-Wright ISD, ADA Coordinator	
II.	Open Comments	3 minutes each speaker (Advance Notice Preferred) No public comments at this time	

		Heidi Johnson-Wright said Commissioner Heyman has appointed Earl Oaks, who will serve for District 4.
III.	Information Items	<p>Education & Outreach Committee</p> <p>Ernie Martinez said the mission of the Education & Outreach Committee is to educate the public about CODI and disability issues generally. It can also serve to recruit potential new CODI appointees. Mr. Martinez said the focus should be on the potential and positive achievements of people with disabilities. Shake-A-Leg Miami has this type of focus.</p> <p>Chairman Harry Horgan asked Mr. David about his tennis and basketball teams in North Miami. Chairman Horgan suggested that the Committee interact with the teams. A discussion ensued.</p> <p>Chairman Horgan asked who manages the CODI website. Ms. Johnson-Wright said she would have to find out. It's unclear because information technology functions are being reorganized in the County. Mr. Martinez said that more CODI minutes need to be added to the site.</p> <p>Ms. Johnson-Wright explained to Chairman Horgan where CODI is in the County's organizational structure. CODI is an official advisory board to the Miami-Dade County Commission on disability issues. She explained how CODI is supported by the ADA Office which is under the Internal Services Department (ISD). Lester Sola is ISD's Director and he reports to the Mayor.</p> <p>The topic of a disability resource fair was discussed. Ms. Johnson-Wright described all of the time and work that must go into putting together a successful resource fair. The ADA Office held them annually when the office had a 10-person staff. Now that the office has only one position, it is simply not possible.</p>
	Next CODI Meeting:	The next CODI Outreach & Education Committee meeting will be in March 2012, exact date and time TBD.