



Commissioner
Jaime Masters

Texas Department of Family and Protective Services

Family and Protective Services Council Meeting
Friday, February 12, 2021 9:00 am
Via online meeting service due to COVID-19

MEETING MINUTES

Council Members Present:

- Hon. Bonnie Hellums, Chair
- Dr. Connie Almeida, Vice Chair
- Matt Kouri
- Liesa Hackett
- Courtney Jones
- Aureka Simpson
- Enrique Mata
- Omedi "Dee Dee" Cantu Arismendez

Council Members Not Present:

- Greg Hamilton

The meeting called to order at 9:00 am by Judge Bonnie Hellums, Council Chair.

Roll was called, one member was absent.

Judge Hellums determined that there was a quorum with eight council members present.

Judge Hellums recognized staff and special guests.

The council accepted the November 13, 2020 meeting minutes.

Judge Hellums reaffirmed the date of the next meeting, August 6, 2021.

Judge Hellums announced June as Elder Abuse Prevention Month and June 15th as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day.

Judge Hellums discussed the 2021 council meeting dates.

Commissioner Masters gave an update on DFPS

Deneen Dryden gave a report on children without placement.

Marissa Conzalez gave a presentation on the media efforts of DFPS.

Corliss Lawson gave an update on the Foster Care Lawsuit.

Judge Hellums thanked the presenters for giving their reports.

No one participated in public comment.

Judge Hellums provided closing remarks and thanked the staff and guests.

The meeting adjourned at 11 am.

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