

Gulf Regional Early Childhood Services, Inc.

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Name & Contact Information	Biographical/ Professional Information	
Abigail Baxter PH.D. (Chairperson)	Professor, Leadership & Teacher Education; University of South Alabama  2 <sup>nd</sup> Term 8/1/2023-7/31/2026	
Julie Bellcase, MBA (Vice Chairperson)	MBA, Vice President of Operations at Alta Pointe Health (Retired)  2 <sup>nd</sup> Term 8/1/2025-7/31/2028	
Melissa A. Bryan (Treasurer)	BA degree Grants Manager, Mobile County Health Dept. Family Health  2 <sup>nd</sup> Term 8/1/2025-7/31/2028	
Carolyn Douglas (Secretary) Community Volunteer Educator (Retired)	BS Degree Teacher, literacy program administrator and grant implementation professional (Retired). Community volunteer, including GRECS Policy Council Community Representative.  2 <sup>nd</sup> Term 8/1/2024-7/31/2027	
Alexandra Garrett	Attorney, managing legal practice shareholder; practice focuses on business advising, complex bankruptcy matters and trust and estate planning  Past Chairperson  Currently serving as emeritus	

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Gloria Hill	<p>Family Intervention Specialist, (Retired). Community volunteer, including serving on GRECS Policy Council as community representative.</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> Term 8/1/2024-7/31/2027</p>	
Benterah C. Morton, Ph.D.	<p>Former Associate Professor of Educational Leadership at the University of South Alabama.</p> <p>Founder of Perspectives Education and Leadership Consulting.</p> <p>2nd Term 8/1/2025-7/31/2028</p>	
Martrisse Haynes	<p>MBA; MEd, Educational/Instructional Technology Associate Manager, CX at the New York Times, Former Chairperson GRECS Policy Council; Former Head Start Parent</p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> Term 8/1/2025-7/31/2028</p>	
Maria Papastefan	<p>Gulf State College Vice President, Trustmark National Bank (Retired)</p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> Term 8/1/2025-7/31/2028</p>	
Deven Vasko	<p>Currently serving as Student Accommodations Specialist for University of Mobileunder and administrator of Compass Point Christian Academy, homeschool consultant.</p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> Term 8/1/2025-7/31/2028</p>	