

Office of the Child Advocate
Childhood Trauma Task Force Meeting Minutes
Monday, December 15, 2025
1:00pm-2:30pm
Meeting held virtually

Task Force Members or Designees Present:

Maria Mossaides (OCA)
Claudia Dunne (CPCS)
Elizabeth Schatzel-Murphy (DYS)
Heidi Gold (EOE)
Jimmy Quinn (Probation)
Jocelyn Ruelle-Kersker (DCF)
Laura Brody (DCF)
Keesha LaTulippe (DPH)
Latoya Nicholas (Parent Representative)
Rachel Wallack (Juvenile Court)

OCA Staff:

Alix Rivière
Kerin Miller
Samantha Perry
Bessie Pierre

Other:

Amy Whitehead-Pleaux (EEC)
Kathleen Bitetti (OSA)
Theresa Wilson (New York State Office of the State Attorney General)
Vilma Uribe (Governor's Council to Address Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, and Human Trafficking)

Meeting Commenced: 1:04pm

Welcome and Introductions

Ms. Rivière welcomed attendees to the meeting and asked attendees to introduce themselves. Ms. Rivière described that the meeting's purpose was to approve minutes from three meetings and to discuss and vote on the 2025 Annual Report.

Ms. Rivière then invited Ms. Mossaides, the Child Advocate and Chair of the Childhood Trauma Task Force (CTTF), to say a few words. Ms. Mossaides said that this CTTF meeting is likely her last as the Child Advocate. She described the history of the CTTF and thanked members for their

meaningful contributions since its creation in 2018. She added that the Legislature may continue to update the CTTF's mandate, per her request.

Review and Approval of Minutes from October 21, 2025, November 18, 2025, and November 19, 2025 Meetings

Ms. Rivière held a formal vote on the approval of the October 21, 2025 meeting minutes. Maria Mossaides, Jimmy Quinn, Heidi Gold, Laura Brody, Claudia Dunne, Elizabeth Schatzel, and Keesha LaTulippe all voted in the affirmative. Rachel Wallack and Jocelyn Ruelle-Kersker abstained. No one opposed.

The meeting minutes for October 21, 2025 were approved.

Ms. Rivière then held a formal vote on the approval of the November 18, 2025 meeting minutes. Maria Mossaides, Jimmy Quinn, Heidi Gold, Elizabeth Schatzel, and Keesha LaTulippe all voted in the affirmative. No one abstained. No one opposed.

The meeting minutes for November 18, 2025 were approved.

Finally, Ms. Rivière held a formal vote for the approval of the November 19, 2025 meeting minutes. Maria Mossaides and Jimmy Quinn voted in the affirmative. No one abstained. No one opposed.

The meeting minutes for November 19, 2025 were approved.

Discussion of Draft Annual Report

Ms. Rivière welcomed feedback on the 2025 Annual Report. None were raised.

Vote on 2025 Annual Report

Ms. Rivière held a formal vote on the approval of the 2025 Annual Report. Maria Mossaides, Keesha LaTulippe, Jimmy Quinn, Heidi Gold, Laura Brody, Elizabeth Schatzel, Claudia Dunne, and Latoya Nicholas all voted in the affirmative. Rachel Wallack and Jocelyn Ruelle-Kersker abstained. No one opposed.

The CTTF 2025 Annual Report was approved.

Closing Comments

Ms. Rivière thanked everyone for their attendance. She shared that the OCA would format the report and submit it to the Legislature. She noted that members can expect the next meeting to be in February or March, when the Task Force will finalize its work plan for 2026.

Adjournment: 1:24pm