



**Together
for Children**

HOMESTEAD/FLORIDA CITY/NARANJA

**Coalition Meeting
November 30, 2022
10:30 a.m.**

- **Introductions**
 - **Organization & Committee**
 - **TFC Neighborhood Coalition Coordinator**
- **Review and Approval of Minutes**
 - **September & October**
- **Action Plan**
 - **Review of Committee Action Steps**
 - **Committee Reports Review & Update**
- **Position Openings**
- **TFC Partner Spotlight**
- **TFC Ambassador Recruitment & Sponsor Org**
- **Social Media Feedback**
- **UM Partnership Metrics Discussion**
- **Countywide Updates**
- **Area(s) of Prioritization**
- **Announcements/Celebrations**

Meeting Commenced: 10:35 am
Meeting Adjourned: 11:31 am

Present:

Alisha Reyes
Anne Casimir
Carlos Pildain
Jenifer Bailey
Johanna Ralsten-Cox
Mery Dominguez

Absent:

Brandy Ramirez
Flor Arzuaga
Oscar Munoz
Vanessa Vilchez
Virginia Munoz

Introductions

Review and Approval of Minutes

- Johanna Ralsten-Cox made a motion to approve the September meeting minutes, Jenifer Bailey seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.
- Jenifer Bailey made a motion to approve the October meeting minutes, Johanna Ralsten-Cox seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Action Plan

- Mery Dominguez shared that December 7 at 10:00 am will be the Strengthening Families Committee meeting. There are parent meetings being organized with TFC member partners.
- Alisha Reyes shared that the Empowering Youth Committee discussed The Children's Trust RFP and the Youth Summit. The Youth Summit is being planned for the month of February with a focus on healthy relationships and teen dating violence. The committee also discussed the Empowering Youth countywide survey and the next provider lunch. The December meeting will be held on Dec. 12 as the monthly standing meeting conflicts with the holiday break.
- Anne Casimir shared that the Protecting Youth Committee met this week and that the committee list was updated. The report is being compiled for the month and will be submitted later this week.

Voting Membership Position Openings

- Rosa Rodriguez had accepted the nomination as the Parent Representative in October's coalition meeting, pending quorum. Jenifer Bailey made a motion to nominate Rosa Rodriguez as the Parent Representative, Alisha Reyes seconded the motion. Rosa Rodriguez was unanimously voted to be the Parent Representative.

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- Zahirah Calloway is no longer an active TFC member, so there is an At Large position open, in addition to two Youth Representative positions.

TFC Partner Spotlight

- Shaquira Robinson shared information on her organization Girl Talk 1on1 which is an organization serving middle and high school students focusing on self-esteem, equity and empowerment. There are workshops that include multiple themes that are important in the lives of young women and include facilitation by subject matter experts. There will be an annual conference on Jan. 13 for the girls in the program. She is looking to expand into South Florida so please reach out to girtalk1on1@gmail.com.

Countywide Updates

- It was shared that SOS can continue as a sponsor organization. The opportunity was offered to all, and it was requested for anyone interested to reach out directly to the Chair or Vice Chair before the holiday break or SOS would continue to act in this capacity.
- Dr. Diana Santangelo shared that the Board of Trustees approved the MOU with TFC and The Resource Room, which covers the administrative responsibilities for TFC staff and Ambassadors, including all reporting requirements to the county. She also noted that a proposed partnership with the University of Miami was discussed and approved, and that this partnership would result in graduate students reviewing of the trends of TFC Ambassador referrals and develop a framework for measurement for the Ambassador program. All were requested to review the metrics captured in their committee's monthly report and determine if there are additional metrics that are deemed important by the committee. Additionally, it was noted that the board's staffing committee will be reconvening to discuss plans for the hiring of the TFC Orchestrator position.

Areas of Prioritization

- There were no new areas of prioritization noted.

Announcements/Celebrations

- Informed Families Parent Peer Group hosted their first podcast; the second session will be released this evening. All feedback is welcomed.
- Jenifer Bailey shared that on December 18 there will be the Southwest Advisory Committee's craft holiday event.
- Kimberly Lopez shared that there will be an event (Hoops for Unity) for youth, law enforcement and the fire department. Please reach out if you can volunteer.
- Karina Villasenor shared that there will be a community event on December 16 at 6:00 pm for families, a flyer will be shared in the chat.
- Johanna Ralsten-Cox shared that Christmas trees are being sold at local churches and all proceeds go to support outreaches in the community.

Public Comment

- There was no public comment.

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