

MINUTES

July 8th, 2025, from 11:30- 1pm

Council Members Present: Daphne Lampley, Kimberly Skrovanek, Dexter McCree, Athian “Ronnie” Early, Parris Lockley, LaShante Keys, Deputy Cooper, Valerie Gervais,

Council Members Absent: Viridiana Lopez-Lugo,

Guests: Jake Hornstein , Kyesha Robinson, Deneen Wayman, Sapheria Samuels, Cleopatra B. Samantha Staley, Tricia Smith, Le’Vantae Camiel, Alexis Moore, Ericka Reckenwald, Michael Brown, Michele Watkins-Rodgers, Donna Welch, Larissa Jones

JWB Staff: Kelly Roy

I. Call to order- Daphne Lampley- Chair at 11:45 a.m.

- a. Moment of Silence
- b. Welcome new council member Dr. M Jane Lucas
 - i. Dr. Lucas has resigned as a council member; she has moved to a new role as AP of Dunedin High School
- c. Introduction of council members

II. JWB Updates – Kelly Roy

- a. Interim CEO
 - i. Mike Mikurak started at JWB Interim CEO, you can find his profile online.
- b. JWB Community Event funding
 - i. Review the application prior to applying. JWB is receiving application all year round until otherwise noted.
 - ii. Upcoming South County funded events:
 1. Back2School Early Education and Kids Learning Expo July 19th
 2. Care Fair July 26th
 3. Child Custody & Co-Parenting Educational Workshop August 5th
- c. Book Bus
 - i. Kelly thanked Daphne for participating in the Book Bus as a council member. The Book Bus travels to several locations in Pinellas County during the month of July, allowing children ages 0–18 to select two free books.
 - ii. In addition, the Childhood Hunger Initiative, in partnership with SPFC, has launched a new program called the Meal Mobile. This initiative provides boxes of free food and fresh fruit to registered locations.
 - iii. Kelly noted that the stop at an apartment complex was particularly well-organized and well-received. Many families - some of whom may not be connected to other services and were able to receive both food and books.

III. JWB's Annual KidsFirst Awards Luncheon on Friday, October 24, 2025, from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM at The Coliseum in St. Petersburg

IV. Presentation

- a. JWB Community Funded Events:

- i. Kelly Presented on behalf of Ms. Clark from M.O.M Community Baby Shower
- ii. Ms. Fuller from Keshawn's Korner

V. Council Business

- a. Approve May Minutes- Kim motion to approve, and Valarie seconded.
- b. South County Literacy Update
 - i. Kim, Valarie, and Kelly recapped the outcomes of the SCCC Literacy Subcommittee meeting held in June with Kim L. from Y Reads and Brianna Ray from the JWB Grade-Level Reading Initiative. The outcomes were as follows:
 - 1. Support for the Y Reads Fall Festival - This event takes place in November and includes all Y Reads locations (three in Mid County and eight in South County). It will be held at the Lealman Exchange Center. Council members will volunteer at the event, assisting at the JWB table and in other capacities as needed.
 - 2. Family Engagement Nights - Each center is required to host 3–4 family engagement nights. SCCC will support one of these events in South County.
 - 3. Literacy Volunteer Call-to-Action Flyer - A flyer will be created to promote volunteer opportunities, including details about the Y Reads program and the Seniors in Service Grandparents Program.
 - ii. Daphne noted that the Fall Festival is located in Mid County and expressed interest in supporting an event in South County. She also suggested inviting Kim L. from Y Reads to attend a council meeting to explain her program. Kelly clarified that providing transportation to the event is not within our capacity. The discussion concluded with the subcommittee agreeing to follow up with Y Reads and inform them that the council would prefer to support Family Engagement Nights in South Pinellas County.

iii. Action: Follow up with Yreads and vote in August on this work plan item.

VI. Open Agenda

- a. Community guests introduce themselves and announce upcoming events.
- b. Please send flyers to Kelly Roy by EOD Thursday

VII. Adjourn at 1:06 p.m.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Kelly Roy