



October Commission Board and Coalition Meeting Minutes

10/22/2026

VINEYARD CARES OCTOBER COMMISSION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, October 22, 2026

Time: 6:15-6:45 PM

Location: Vineyard City Hall

Presiding: David Pearce, Commission Chair

Facilitated by: Melissa Ghandour, Vineyard Cares Coordinator

Objectives

At the end of this meeting, the Commission will:

- Review and approve the September 10 meeting minutes
- Review upcoming Commission term expirations and appointment status
- Discuss the School Prevention Program Support Pilot and determine next steps
- Confirm the next Commission meeting date

1. Welcome, Attendance & Meeting Overview

- Welcome and quorum confirmation
- Review the meeting's priority items

2. Review & Approval of Meeting Minutes – Action Item

Review and approve the September 10, 2026 Commission meeting minutes.

3. Commissioner Terms & Appointment Status

- Review terms ending December 31, 2026, and the status of proposed appointments and reappointments
- Discuss any transition or continuity needs

4. School Prevention Program Support Pilot – Discussion & Action Item

Review the proposed pilot to support prevention-focused speakers, assemblies, workshops, or presentations at eligible schools serving Vineyard students.

- Review the proposed limit of up to \$1,000 per school and a total pilot cap of \$4,000
- Discuss the proposed application and review process, scoring criteria, and school follow-up
- Review the proposed timeline: send applications to schools October 27; applications due December 3; Commission review and vote December 10; approved programs delivered January–May 2027

5. Next Commission Meeting & Adjournment

- Confirm the next meeting date
- Confirm assignments and next steps
- Adjourn

VINEYARD CARES OCTOBER COALITION MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, October 22, 2026

Time: 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Location: Vineyard City Hall

Presiding: David Pearce, Commission Chair

Facilitated by: Melissa Ghandour, Vineyard Cares Coordinator

Objectives

At the end of this session, participants will be able to:

- Hear what Vineyard Cares has accomplished since September 10
- Learn about the October 28 Community Compass session and ways to participate
- Learn about Family Haven and local family support resources
- Identify ways to volunteer at Coco's World and other upcoming programs

1. Welcome & Coalition Kickoff

- Welcome and introductions
- Review meeting objectives

2. Partner Spotlight: Family Haven

Janelle Christensen, MSW, Executive Director

- Overview of Family Haven and its services for children and families
- Ways families can connect with support
- Questions and discussion

3. Vineyard Cares Updates Since September 10

Brief reports on recent programs and events:

- Family Connection Night: more than 100 families and food-drive donations
- QPR Lunch and Learn: 30 attendees
- Community Compass Session 1 and family-kit assembly
- Trailside Fall Festival: approximately 900 booth interactions
- Babysitter Training: 11 youth completed the course
- Trash the Car: nearly 250 participants and 122 Red Ribbon pledges
- Vineyard Elementary & Freedom Prep School Red Ribbon Week activities and support

4. Community Compass: Assessment Process & Next Steps

Wednesday, October 28 | 6:30–8:30 PM | Vineyard City Hall

- Review of how survey, public, local, and community information will inform prevention priorities.
- Discussion of how the workgroup will recommend priorities for Commission consideration and a formal vote.
- Invite coalition members to attend the October 28 workgroup session.
- Reminder: workgroup assignments are due today October 22

5. Coco's World & Volunteer Opportunities

Saturday, October 24 | 4:00–7:00 PM | Grove Park

- Vineyard Cares booth with photo booth and guitar activity
- Review volunteer sign-up and available shifts

6. Upcoming Programs

- Other School Red Ribbon Weeks
- Guiding Good Choices begins Saturday, October 24
- Vineyard Mini 101 Academy Open House, Nov 4
- Share other fall volunteer and outreach opportunities

7. Next Steps & Adjournment

- Partner announcements and upcoming community events
- Confirm follow-up items and next Coalition meeting

Adjourn

Public Notice: These meetings are noticed due to the possibility of more than two (2) Vineyard Cares Commission members being present. These meetings are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the Utah Open and Public Meetings Act.

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