



## Tampa Bay Claims Association

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### **TBCA Dinner Meeting Minutes Thursday, October 16, 2025**

#### Meeting Location:

Brio Italian Restaurant International Plaza  
2223 N. Westshore Blvd.  
Tampa, FL 33607

Number of attendees: 63

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm with President Tammy Kulakowski presiding.

President Kulakowski welcomed everyone and reminded everyone that voting for the board would follow the CE presentation by Galloway, Johnson, Tompkins, Burr & Smith "Update on Florida's Rule of Civil Procedure Changes & How They Affect Us." for 1 hour of continuing education for licensed insurance adjusters.

Secretary Report was read by Secretary Heather Swett; motion to approve was accepted by Candice Hill.

Treasurer Report was read by Treasurer Leah Darr; motion to approve was accepted by Jim West.

President Kulakowski reminded everyone about our upcoming Christmas Cruise on Friday, December 19, 2025 arrival at 3:30pm for registration prior to boarding. She told them to purchase their tickets on the website & to check email for updates.

No Charity for this meeting. President Tammy K. encouraged our membership to donate through the website QR code to Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital and to bring new, unwrapped toys to the Christmas Cruise in December.

The Nominees for 2026 Board were then introduced:

**President:**

Candice Hill

Abraham "Abe" Hanze

**Vice President:**

Ricky Filapas

(Meghan Fountain resigned on 10/08/25)

**Secretary:**

Heather Swett

**Treasurer:**

Selena Zambito

(Leah Darr, stepping down from the board effective 1/1/26)

**Associate at Large:**

Jim West

Nick Rice

**Adjuster at Large:**

William Thomas

We handed out ballots, collected and counted. Denny Jones of Engle Martin counted the votes.

**Results of election:**

**President: Candice Hill**

**Vice President: Ricky Filapas**

**Secretary: Heather Swett**

**Treasurer: Selena Zambito**

**Associate at Large: Jim West**

**Adjuster at Large: William Thomas**

President Tammy congratulated the newly elected Tampa Bay Claims Association 2026 Board and told everyone that she was proud to have served us as president the past year.

Motion to Adjourn accepted by Lyn Dexter and Heather Swett @ 7:45pm

