At its March meeting the Forward Pinellas Board, with Vice Chair Doreen Caudell as acting chair, took the following official actions:

- **Recognition of Outgoing Board Member – Councilmember Bill Jonson**
  The executive director and vice chair recognized Clearwater Councilmember Bill Jonson for his service to the board as PSTA’s representative and his commitment to excellence. Board members commended him for his character, integrity and dedication.

- **Consent Agenda**
  Approved to include the following:
  1. Approval of Minutes of the February 14, 2018 Meeting
  2. Approval of Committee Appointments

- **Proposed Amendment(s) to the FY 2017/18 – FY 2021/22 Transportation Improvement Program**
  Following a public hearing, the board, in its role as the metropolitan planning organization, approved the amendment to the TIP by roll call vote. The amendment added the newly adopted performance measures and targets to the TIP document.

- **Proposed Amendment(s) to the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)**
  Following a public hearing, the board approved the amendment, which references the final selected alignment to St. Pete Beach of the Central Avenue Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) project to the Cost Feasible LRTP.

- **Countywide Plan Map Amendments**
  The vice chair announced that, due to an error in the publication of the legal ad, the cases originally planned for this month would not be heard until the April meeting.

- **Draft FY 2018/19- 2019/20 Unified Planning Work Program**
  Following a staff presentation, the board approved the transmittal of the draft UPWP to the reviewing agencies.

- **Forward Pinellas Grants Awards**
  1. **Planning & Place-Making Grant Pilot Program**
     Following a staff presentation, the board approved awarding the funds as recommended.
  2. **Complete Streets Grant**
     Following a staff presentation and significant board discussion, the board approved sending projects forward, including placing both construction projects on the multimodal priority list for funding in priority order for consideration by FDOT. Because of unclear wording in the amended motion, a clarifying vote will be taken at the April Forward Pinellas meeting.

- **Annual Audit 2016-17 (FY17)**
  Following a presentation by the audit firm, Cherry Bekaert, the board accepted the audits of the PPC and MPO for FY17 as presented.

- **Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority (TBARTA) Memorandum of Understanding**
  Following an introduction and review of the item by the executive director, the board approved the transmittal of the recommended edits to the MOU to TBARTA.