



**Roundtable Meeting  
December 3, 2021  
Lisa von Seelen, Chair**

**Roundtable Members Attending:** Tom Bakkedahl, Rosetta Bartell, Linda Bartz, Brian Bauer, Ann Berner, John Bolduc, Sean Boyle, Michael Davis, Carol Deloach, Brian Hester, Diane Hobley-Burney, Curtis Johnson, Diamond Litty, Tony Loupe, Robert McPartlan, Heather Parker, Jessica Parrish, Nathan Peterson, David Pickett, Nate Spera, Andrew Treadwell, Lisa von Seelen, and Garry Wilson.

**Roundtable Members Absent:** Terissa Aronson, Wayne Gent, Debbie Hawley, Bob Meadows, Clint Sperber, Pete Tesch, and Dana Trabulsy.

**Guests Attending:** John Prince, David Minner, Shantel Lariosa, Monica Jakobsen, Donnell Clark and Emily Mass.

**I. Welcome**

Lisa von Seelen opened the meeting at 8:32 a.m. and welcomed all members.

**Pledges**

The Pledge of Allegiance and Treasure Hunter Pledges were recited.

**II. December Agenda & November Minutes**

*Motion was made by Tony Loupe to accept the December agenda, seconded by Sean Boyle.*

*Motion carried unanimously.*

*Motion was made by Brian Bauer to accept the November minutes, seconded by Carol Deloach.*

*Motion carried unanimously.*

**III. Chair Report/Executive Director Report**

**Chair Report**

Lisa von Seelen thanked everyone for being in attendance today and did not have any announcements.

**Executive Director Report**

Teresa Bishop reminded the Board that the survey link will be sent to all Board members to request their feedback surrounding the work of the Roundtable. Ms. Bishop also shared that the new Roundtable website is currently being designed and we hope to have it up and live shortly after the new year. Youth Leadership St. Lucie was involved in a Candidate Forum for Fort Pierce Commissioner and Faith in FL plans to continue their work with the youth. Kids at Hope sent an invite to all board members to schedule a new or refresher training as needed. An IGNITE Youth

Alliance Exploratory Committee has been created to develop recommendations around how to sustain IYA and will present at future board meeting. LPAC is starting a new Mentoring Initiative at Forest Grove Middle School and is in need of male mentors/role models for the youth.

#### **IV. “In the Know with IRSC” Presentation**

Emily Mass and Donnell Clark of IRSC presented. See PowerPoint Presentation.

#### **V. Announcements/Agency Updates**

- Sean Boyle – Children’s Services Council is offering grants in five funding categories, submissions due in January and funding starts in October 2022. Expanding Summer Learning program. Sounds of the Season will be celebrating its 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Over 14,000 books were recently distributed in partnership with United Way.
- Andrew Treadwell – School of Nursing is moving to PSL and a formal announcement regarding the expansion will take place on the Pruitt Campus on 12/14 at 10am. Adobe Creative Campus – IRSC only. EOC – Education Opportunity Center for the adult population on Treasure Coast. Discover IRSC Week 2/7/22. Great Explorations for high school juniors/seniors on 2/25 and 3/4/22; anyone can join with tents etc on the Massey Campus.
- Carol Deloach – Great progress and participation at the Upward Mobility Cohort. The County has partnered with the Urban Institute to look at St. Lucie County and see what is needed to expand opportunities for families to improve lives. Focus groups coming.
- John Prince (for Wayne Gent) – Graduation rates will be public in January, for the last 5 years SLC has been in the top 10 in the state. Anticipate the highest graduation rate at 94% or higher.
- Brian Bauer – 7<sup>th</sup> Annual City of Fort Pierce Job Fair on 1/20/22 at the Fenn Center. Regional event with three counties from 10-1 pm; veterans can enter early at 9:30 am. Grant opportunities- applied to two separate “Get There Faster” grant opportunities; one was in partnership with IRSC and Project LIFT; focus on youth and distribution of logistics in SLC; also working on additional partnerships with CSC and ELC.
- John Bolduc – Festival of Lights at the Event Center, Holiday Lights at the Gardens.
- Lisa von Seelen – Received a grant for \$10,000 from Community Foundation of St. Lucie and Martin to assist moms in need; we’re able to purchase washer/dryer, car repairs, and baby needs; requesting assistance with delivering these items.
- Brian Hester – Holiday parade in Fort Pierce this weekend. Jail programs are currently running at 100%, with plans to expand the units to include faith, the journey forward, workforce with trustees, and a MAT program upon release. Detention went 30 days with no Covid, with 3 positives this week. SLCSO will serve 6,000+ for Christmas and participate in “Shop with a Cop” with 40 youth and the Children’s Services Council.
- Diane Hopley-Burney – “Shop with a Cop” will take place again this holiday. Santa Cop on 12/17 where families who are victims of violence/trauma can come to get gifts.
- Nate Spera – Christmas for Kids has more donations than in previous years. Hosting a Kids at Hope training in January.

- Curtis Johnson – Parade in downtown Fort Pierce. A special election on 1/7 to fill Mr. Alexander’s seat. Boat parade this weekend. Shopping at INC at Means Court this weekend.
- David Pickett – Mets are hosting breakfast with Santa on Saturday.
- Linda Bartz – We have had successful lawsuits against pharmaceuticals and now must determine how that money is spent. Starting a task force surrounding the homeless issue, we will be working with the municipalities to address the issue.
- Heather Parker – Kids holiday party with volunteer shoppers on 12/17/21.

Meeting Adjourned – 9:36 a.m.