



Roundtable Board Meeting Minutes
May 5, 2023
8:30 am – 10:00 am
Tony Loupe, Chair

Roundtable Members Attending: Teresa Bishop, Brian Bauer, Ann Berner, John Bolduc, Sean Boyle, Joseph Cracchiola, Michael Davis, Carol Deloach, Thomas Epsky, Debbie Hawley, Diane Hobbey-Burney, Jeff Lee, Tony Loupe, Robert McPartlan, Heather Parker, Clint Sperber, and Lisa von Seelen.

Roundtable Members Absent: Terissa Aronson, Tom Bakkedahl, Rosetta Bartell, Linda Bartz, Curtis Johnson, Michael Linn, Diamond Litty, Nathan Peterson, David Pickett, Dr. Jon Prince, Nate Spera, Peter Tesch, Dana Trabulsy, and Andrew Treadwell.

Guests Attending: Christann Hartley, Brett Peters, Renee Ingram, Deborah Cobb, Casey Wood, Ann Marie Campbell, Dr. Pinkie Hendley, C. Jovil Wharton, Kevin Singletary, and Kayla McDonald.

I. Welcome

Tony Loupe opened the meeting at 8:34 a.m. and welcomed all members.

Pledges

The Pledge of Allegiance and Treasure Hunter Pledges were recited.

II. May Agenda and March Minutes

A motion was made to accept the May Agenda and March Minutes by Heather Parker, seconded by Bob McPartlan. The motion passed unanimously.

III. February and March Financials

Christann Hartley presented the Roundtable Financials to the Board.

A motion was made to accept the February and March Financials by Sean Boyle, seconded by Carol Deloach. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Chair Report

Tony Loupe thanked the members for their attendance. The Chair presented the proposed bylaw revisions to require only one signature on Roundtable-issued checks below \$1,500. The revisions

will be sent to the board for review immediately following the meeting today and a motion to accept will be made at the June 2, 2023 Board meeting.

The Chair presented the request for the Roundtable to apply for the SAMHSA SPF Grant in the amount of \$375,000 per year for five years. Teresa Bishop shared that the Roundtable would hire grant writer Lisa Hilko to write the grant, Lisa has successfully written and been awarded this grant in 13 of 14 applications for other agencies. The application is due on June 5, 2023.

A motion was made to approve the application for the SAMHSA SPF Grant by Sean Boyle, seconded by Robert McPartlan. The motion passed unanimously.

V. CEO Report

Teresa Bishop shared that the Roundtable's Community Assessment Report (CAR) is in process now and it is expected to be completed by the end of this summer. The Children's Services Council and Kids at Hope are continuing their partnership to include a summer version of the "More Than a Game" series that will be titled "More Than Golf". It will also include the fatherhood initiative training. IGNITE Youth Alliance (IYA) hired a new Outreach Worker and Family Navigator and is fully staffed at this time. The IYA staff attended a retreat at the Allegany Center in Tampa in April, which included post-trauma training, meditation, and self-reflection sessions. Several IGNITE staff and CEO Bishop will also attend a gang training in Chicago in July 2023. The partnership with the Roundtable/IGNITE and CA Moore Elementary School continues to develop and will include collaborations with Cayuga, Tykes and Teens, and St. Lucie Public Schools. The partnership will involve access to trauma-informed care, motivational interviewing, compassion fatigue, and Functional Family Therapy (FFT). The United Way grant presentation for IGNITE went extremely well and the Roundtable has received very positive feedback and support from all involved. Drug Free St. Lucie (DFSL) continues to present Hidden In Plain Sight tours at the Port St. Lucie Community Center, and at St. Lucie Public Middle School student-led conferences for parents. DFSL will also be hosting the Opioid Summit on May 11th at the Fenn Center. Carol Deloach and Heather Parker provided an update on the status of the Crossover Youth Practice Model (CYPM). Mrs. Deloach and Mrs. Parker shared that questions were developed for focus groups that will include law enforcement, schools, the Department of Juvenile Justice, and School Resource Officers. This will include additional work to get a better understanding of where the breakdown in civil citations is happening. Brett Peters from the Public Defender's Office also shared his agreement with the process and stated that if improvements are made it will result in fewer youth in court that do not belong there and will allow for the legal process to focus on the youth that really need to be focused on. Bob McPartlan suggested an education on the purpose and process of civil citations. Chief Hobley-Burney also explained that a common problem with civil citations is that a parent must agree, which is not always possible. Nathan Peterson, Carol Deloach, and Bob McPartlan will all be traveling to Ocala, Florida to champion the cause for our circuit and the lives of our area children.

VI. Prevention Month

Drug Free St. Lucie Project Coordinator, C. Jovil Wharton presented on the work of the coalition. (see attached)

VII. Announcements / Agency Updates

- Dr. Perry – Shared that area high schoolers will begin graduation ceremonies in the coming weeks.
- Brian Bauer – Summer of Success is in its 8th year; a pilot is underway with Treasure Coast Builders and Treasure Coast Manufacturing Association to put on boot camps.
- Chief Hobley-Burney – Offered to assist Drug Free St. Lucie Coordinator, Jovil Wharton in locating a venue for the Screenager film event.
- Sean Boyle – Children’s Services Council is sponsoring an event on May 27th at the Mets game – “Swing into Reading” in partnership with the Chamber of Commerce and will distribute 5,000+ books to kids at the game.
- Joseph Cracchiola – Upcoming goals for the Dept. of Corrections is to implement the fatherhood program; Circuit 15 is doing a pilot and Circuit 19 is hoping to implement it soon.
- Tony Loupe – Thanked everyone who participated in the Early Learning Coalition’s Family Fun Day.
- Dept. of Juvenile Justice - Back to School Bash is in the preparation stage now, donations are welcome and will serve youth in all counties in July-August.
- Dr. Pinky Hendley – Donations are requested/welcomed to help send at-risk youth to 3-day summer camps; donations can be provided to the New Life Information Center or Survivors of Murdered Victims. All involved youth will be partnered with a mentor.

Meeting Adjourned – 10:13 a.m.