



Roundtable Board Meeting Minutes
November 3, 2023
8:30 am – 10:00 am via Zoom
Tony Loupe, Chair

Roundtable Members Attending: Rosetta Bartell, Ann Berner, Teresa Bishop, Sean Boyle, Joseph Cracchiola, Carol Deloach, Thomas Epsky, Sonya Gabriel, Tony Loupe, Robert McPartlan, Troy Norman, Heather Parker, Nathan Peterson, David Pickett, Clint Sperber, and Lisa von Seelen.

Roundtable Members Absent: Teresa Aronson, Tom Bakkedahl, Linda Bartz, Brian Bauer, Richard Del Toro, Diane Hobley-Burney, Arnold Gaines, Jeff Lee, Michael Linn, Diamond Litty, Dr. Jon Prince, Peter Tesch, Dana Trabulsky, and Andrew Treadwell.

Guests Attending: Christann Hartley, Kevin Singletary, Jovil Wharton, Amanda DeMan, Dr. Perry, Brett Peters, Tiffany Gordon, Deborah Cobb, John Cesar, William Christmas, and Lisa Cobb.

I. Welcome

Tony Loupe opened the meeting at 8:33 a.m. and welcomed all members.

Pledges

The Pledge of Allegiance and Treasure Hunter Pledges were recited.

II. November Agenda and October Minutes

A motion was made by Robert McPartlan to accept the November Agenda, seconded by Carol Deloach. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Carol Deloach to accept the October Minutes, seconded by Heather Parker. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Chair Report

Tony Loupe welcomed everyone and thanked them for their attendance.

IV. CEO Report

Teresa Bishop announced that the Roundtable has been awarded the SAMHSA SPF - Strategic Prevention Framework Partnership for Success grant in the amount of \$1,875,000 over five years; \$375,000 per year. A Mental Health Collaborative Coordinator has been hired and will start on November 8, 2023. Additional details about the award and the work the Roundtable will be doing with community partners, Cayuga Centers, Boys and Girls Club, and SE FL Behavioral Health Network, will be rolled out at the December Board Meeting. Ms. Bishop provided an update on the status of the Community Assessment Report

(CAR), data is currently being pulled from the Crossover Youth Practice Model report (CYPM) to include in the CAR. The Gang Assessment is nearly complete, a draft of the final version has been received and is being reviewed. The Kids at Hope (KAH) team has presented two schools with large four by four foot signs using the school's mascot in the KAH language of hope. In addition, the KAH team held a community training and 22 new KAH Treasure Hunters were trained in the principles of KAH. Ms. Bishop met with the CEO of Cayuga Centers, Mr. Ed Hayes, who is an expert on Youth Development and she may ask him to present to the board in the future. The transition of Darcy McFolley and Marcus Mills to Cayuga Centers is in progress, all other staff have completed the transition. Ms. Bishop is working with Cayuga and the Roundtable's lawyer to finalize contracts/MOUs. Drug Free St. Lucie (DFSL) completed their Drug Takeback Day in partnership with Jackson Drugs in Fort Pierce, over 157 pounds of medication was collected. DFSL hosted their first annual Champions of Prevention Awards meeting with over seventy in attendance. DFSL also hosted a Friday Night, Done Right (FNDR) event at Southern Oaks Middle School's Glow Dance Party. The school's principal has permitted students to wear their FNDR t-shirts as school approved attire going forward. Drug Free St. Lucie has also applied to the Alcohol Policy Academy, this would allow DFSL to work with national experts to strengthen policies and practices, and advocate for change in strategies to reduce underage drinking. Ms. Bishop and Carol Deloach shared the status of the CYPM report, noting the report is large and was just received today so the team is still reviewing. The team will meet on Thursday to discuss the findings and those findings will be presented to the Board at a future board meeting. Ms. Bishop shared that the Safe Neighborhood Network Steering Committee will review the gang assessment and she will present to the Board at the December meeting.

V. Zero Suicide Initiative

Tiffany Gordon, Hanley Foundation presented.

VI. Agency Announcements/ Updates

- Nathan Peterson – Department of Juvenile Justice is donating meals to twenty-four families.
- Dr. Perry – “Giving Concert” consisting of middle and high school student choirs. These concerts will be collecting food for Grace Packs and will take place during the holiday season.
- Sean Boyle – Grant season: Keeping kids off the streets released November 9th; and Summer Learning Programs will be released next. On November 8, 2023, the Chamber is hosting their Community Impact luncheon. And Sounds of the Season will take place on December 15, 2023, bring a book it is free.
- Clint Sperber – Tomorrow, November 4th is the Jessica Clinton Heart Screening event; 600 people registered and 6 pediatric cardiologists participating.
- Thomas Epsky – United Way is hosting a free seminar for employers - Fair Labor Standard Acts on November 16, that will address changes to exempt status.
- Carol Deloach – There are over 800 kids under supervision; every child is getting three gifts. Communities Connected for Kids completed their accreditation as required by law. They are also undergoing a forensic audit to look for any illegal activity. It is required under legislation, not an indication of any wrongdoing.
- Joseph Cracchiola – Appreciates the Drug Free St. Lucie and Roundtable for recognizing William Christmas as a Champion of Prevention; it as a very nice award.
- Tony Loupe – STEM Fest on Jenkins Road on November 4th.
- Mustard Seed – 34th Annual Thanksgiving Feast on Thanksgiving Day and will serve 9000+ hot meals this year.

Meeting Adjourned – 9:44 a.m.