



Roundtable Board Meeting Minutes

October 3, 2025

8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

Location: Children's Services Council

Chair: Heather Parker

Roundtable Board Members Attending: Teresa Bishop, John Bolduc, Sean Boyle, Joseph Cracchiola, Carol Deloach, Thomas Epsky, Tony Loupe, Bob McPartlan, Heather Parker, Nathan Peterson, David Pickett, Clint Sperber, Andrew Treadwell, and Lisa von Seelen

Roundtable Board Members Absent: Terissa Aronson, Ann Berner, Tom Bakkedahl, Brian Bauer, Jeff Lee, Diamond Litty, Erin Lowry, Leo Niemczyk, Anastasia Norman, Dr. Jon Prince, Robert Ridle, Peter Tesch, Dana Trabulsy, and Rosetta Washington

Guest Attendees: Herla Arteche, Amanda Callaghan, Amanda DeMan, Shamra Gilles, Christann Hartley, Melanie Manning, Shannon McGhee, Latoya Samuels, Kevin Singletary, and Patricia Taylor

I. Welcome

Heather Parker began the meeting at 8:33 AM and welcomed all members.

Pledges

The Pledge of Allegiance and Treasure Hunter Pledges were recited.

II. October Agenda / September Minutes

A motion was made by Tony Loupe to accept the October Agenda, seconded by John Bolduc. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by David Pickett to accept the September Minutes, seconded by Bob McPartlan. The motion passed unanimously.

III. August Financials

Christann Hartley presented the August financials.

A motion was made by Carol Deloach to accept the August financials, seconded by Joseph Cracchiola. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Chair Report

Heather Parker shared with the Board that the Executive Committee met to discuss a salary adjustment for CEO Teresa Bishop in recognition of her excellent work. The Committee recommended an additional 1% increase to the previously approved 4%, bringing the total salary increase to 5%.

A motion was made by Tony Loupe to approve the 5% increase effective October 1, 2025, seconded by Carol Deloach. The motion passed unanimously.

V. CEO Report

CEO Teresa Bishop began her report by addressing the government shutdown, assuring the Board that the organization would still be able to draw down funds. She further reported that the organization had been awarded the SAMHSA continuation grant as well as the Drug Free Communities continuation grant. The Roundtable submitted a grant application for the Opioid Abatement Grant. Kids at Hope Day will be observed on November 12, 2025. Everyone is encouraged to wear blue and/or yellow to show support. Additionally, Kids at Hope Training Coordinator, Kevin Singletary, was interviewed for the Kids at Hope Master's Institute's 20th Anniversary. The first 10-week session of Boys Council began at White City Elementary, with seven boys in attendance. The Mothers at Hope 'Hope to Go' Boutique welcomed 70 families, providing them with essential supplies and resources to support their needs. Mothers at Hope is relaunching in partnership with ALPI. Sessions will begin in October and will be held monthly on the third Thursday from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM. Drug Free St. Lucie is conducting environmental scans, in partnership with New Horizons, to assess the promotion of alcohol, tobacco, and paraphernalia. This month, Drug Free St. Lucie distributed surveys to assess community needs and local conditions as part of the ongoing Community Needs Assessment. YouthCon 2025 took place on Saturday, September 27th with over 60 youth in attendance. Drug Take Back Day is Saturday, October 25th from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM. The City of Fort Pierce and St. Lucie County have issued proclamations recognizing Red Ribbon Week and affirming their commitment to our community. The next St. Lucie RISE meeting is scheduled for October 14th, featuring guest speaker Kristy Conway from East Coast Migrant Head Start. The upcoming Youth Mental Health First Aid Training will take place on October 21st at the Children's Services Council Training Room. The Steering Committee Action Planning training will continue on October 30th.

VI. Trauma-Informed Care Discussion

Shamra Gilles facilitated a follow-up presentation on Trauma-Informed Care, during which she provided a draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and requested feedback from Board Members. In response, Board Members asked that the MOU be sent electronically to allow adequate time for review and to provide thoughtful feedback. Shamra also announced the release of the St. Lucie Cares Behavioral Health Resource Guide, which is now available in print and will be accessible online soon.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:36 AM