



**Roundtable Meeting
August 7, 2020
Linda Hudson, Chair**

Roundtable Members Attending: Linda Bartz, Brian Bauer, Ann Berner, Jhn Bolduc, Sean Boyle, Mike Davis, Carol DeLoach, Diane Hobbey-Burney, Linda Hudson, Andrea Kochanowski, Robert McPartlan, Stephanie Morgan, Heather Parker, Jessica Parrish, Brett Peters, Nate Spera, Clint Sperber, Andy Treadwell, Lisa von Seelen, and Wydee'a Wilson.

Roundtable Members Absent: Terissa Aronson, Bruce Colton, Wayne Gent, Delores Johnson, Tony Loupe, Bob Meadows, and Peter Tesch.

I. Welcome

Linda Hudson welcomed all members.

II. Ignite Evaluation Report

The Roundtable's evaluator and epidemiologist Stephanie Strutner presented her evaluation of the initiative (see attached). She congratulated the Roundtable for this very successful initiative. Carol DeLoach stated that this evaluation is very impressive and we need to get this information out to the media. Linda Hudson agreed and appreciates the hard work of Ignite. This is a dramatic change and we need to shout it out to the community.

III. August Agenda & June Minutes

Motion was made by Stephanie Morgan to accept the August agenda and June minutes, seconded by John Bolduc. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. May and June Financials

Esperanza Morales presented the May and June financials.

Motion was made by Brian Bauer to approve the financials, seconded by Nate Spera. Motion carried unanimously.

V. Chair Report/Executive Director Report

Executive Director Report

Teresa Bishop presented the Executive Director Report (see attached). She shared her personal story regarding racial equity. She stated she's asking members to do all they can to be intentional. This is a new era of change. Lisa von Seelen thanked Ms. Bishop for her heartfelt statement and shared information on the availability of racial equity training. Ms. Bishop stated that the Roundtable retreat is usually held in August but is being pushed to the fall. She would like to have the racial equity training at that time.

VI. Appointment of Nominating Committee for Officers

Linda Hudson noted the present officers are as follows:

- Chair – Linda Hudson
- Vice Chair – Clint Sperber
- Secretary – Wydee’a Wilson
- Treasurer – Tony Loupe
- Past Chair – Sean Boyle
- At-Large – Lisa von Seelen

She requested volunteers to serve on the Nominating Committee. Linda Bartz volunteered. Terissa Aronson was nominated to be Chair.

VII. Ignite Youth Alliance Sustainability

Teresa Bishop shared that we need to permanently sustain the core Ignite staffing. The yearly cost for this is \$380,000. She will be meeting with St. Lucie Public Schools and the City of Port St. Lucie. Ann Berner noted that she may have some prevention funding. Sean Boyle added that natural partners should be law enforcement. Diane Hopley-Burney will look at their trust fund, but Fort Pierce is going through budget cuts at this time. Carol DeLoach will look into this but they are facing cuts as well. Andrea Kochanowski stated that they anticipate more funding for safety and security and she will look into this funding. John Bolduc has \$5,000 allocated for this initiative from crime prevention. Linda Hudson assured that all members will look into agency for funding this important initiative.

VIII. Announcements/Agency Updates

- Lisa von Seelen – Just had a 24 year old mother die from Covid-19. This is very difficult for health care workers to handle.
- Brian Bauer – The Summer of Success put 50 kids into jobs, thanks to collaboration with Allegany Franciscan Ministries and the County. Teresa Bishop thanked Mr. Bauer for taking in Ignite clients and for their in-kind donation of IT services to the Roundtable.
- Sean Boyle – Cares funding is available for 450 slots for childcare at their after school programs for those students doing virtual schooling. Jessica Parrish added that United Way has funding for expenses incurred during Covid-19 for nonprofits.
- Brett Peters – Introduced himself as a new member from the Public Defender’s Office. He is the Juvenile Supervisor.